

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 864. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### THE BROTHERHOOD OF THE BELFRY.

A happy note is struck by the writer of a letter, which appears in another column, upon the brotherhood that exists among ringers. There is an indefinable freemasonry among members of the Exercise which has grown up through the centuries, and it is a feature of which we all are proud. Ringers, it cannot be denied, have their faults, and in the tower are often difficult to handle. Sometimes this may be due to misdirected leadership—a point upon which we only recently commented—but when it comes to extending a brotherly hand to a stranger there is no body of men in any pursuit who can claim to excel ringers in the readiness with which they welcome a visitor. When a stranger enters a belfry the first question is, 'Are you a ringer?' A reply in the affirmative immediately produces a rope end, and, a touch rung, the visitor finds himself as much at home as the oldest member of the band. If there are exceptions, they only go to prove the rule. There are, of course, some surly individuals who would never attempt to extend the hand of fellowship, and there may be, here and there, a band who look askance at the appearance of a visitor, but such instances are few and far between. The general experience of ringers is that which has come the way of our correspondent, and ringers make it a point of honour to uphold this happy tradition of the Exercise.

Another feature which is noticeable in the belfry is the equality which reigns. Knight or artisan, professional man or labourer, all are on the same footing when they stand on the ringing floor—never was there a more democratic meeting-place. And what is perhaps equally extraordinary is the perfectly natural way in which exalted or lowly seem to slip into the recognised order of things. Perhaps it is that everyone who approaches the mysteries of the art feels, consciously or unconsciously, an initial ignorance which levels all at the very outset of their ringing career. As knowledge increases, so a bond of sympathy, as it were, springs up among those who follow the art, and this brings in its train that spirit of brotherhood upon which our correspondent dwells.

That we should do all we can to further this spirit goes without saying. The unity of brotherhood is as necessary as the unity of purpose, if the art of ringing is to be promoted, and it is not out of place at the opening of a new year to lay emphasis on this point. We can all do our little bit towards this end, in our towers and in our associations, and if we can, each one, during this coming year increase, by however small a degree, the spirit which marks the Exercise, and is felt by those who have come in contact with it to be an example to other church workers, our labours in 1922 will not have been in vain.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

**Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.**

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

**Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ABCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5103 CHANGES:**

Tenor 33 cwt. in C sharp.

*JAMES E. LILLEY ... .. 2	†FRANK W. PERRENS ... .. 7
HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 2	HARRY A. FARLOW ... .. 8
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 3	†THOMAS SMITH ... .. 9
†WILLIAM A. COOPER ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. LAWLEY ... .. 10
CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 5	THOMAS J. ELTON ... .. 11
*GEORGE TUDOR ... .. 6	*BENJAMIN FULLWOOD ... Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH FIGOTT. Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

\* First peal on 12 bells. † First peal of Grandsire Cinques. † First peal of Cinques with a working bell. Credit is due to the ringer of the treble, who is but 13 years and 11 months old, which probably constitutes a record on 12 bells. Rung as a birthday peal for C. Wallater.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

BECCLES, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES:**

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb.

FREDERICK BORRETT ... .. Treble	*JAMES BOUGHTON ... .. 6
CHARLES T. P. BRICE ... .. 2	†THOMAS BECKETT ... .. 7
*CHARLES SAYER ... .. 3	ERNEST WHITING ... .. 8
†CLAYTON PARNELL ... .. 4	ERNEST POPPY ... .. 9
*EDWIN GOATE ... .. 5	JOHN SOUTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. HALEY. Conducted by F. BORRETT.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Treble Bob Royal.

AYLSHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES:**

Tenor 20 cwt.

*ROBERT HARDY ... .. Treble	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 6
FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... .. 2	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 7
BEN. S. THOMPSON ... .. 3	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 8
*WILLIAM E. DUNCAN ... .. 4	FRANK R. COPERMAN ... .. 9
JOHN MOY ... .. 5	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal of Treble Ten.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5094 CHANGES:**

Tenor 24 cwt.

ALBERT V. INNS ... .. Treble	DAVID J. NICHOLS ... .. 6
ROBERT F. TURNER ... .. 2	CHARLES W. BIRD ... .. 7
ERNEST PALMER ... .. 3	JAMES E. CHAPMAN ... .. 8
JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 4	ARTHUR E. PAYNE ... .. 9
CECIL CHAPMAN ... .. 5	ARCHIE HENMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. MOORHOUSE. Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

First peal of Grandsire Caters by all the band. First peal on ten bells by all but the ringers of the 6th, 7th and 8th. First peal of Grandsire Caters rung by the association by an entirely local band and rung at the first attempt, this being the first peal rung on the bells since the two new trebles were added by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston.

## ALFRED BOWELL, CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.



## SELBY, YORKS.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
At the Abbey Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 6147 CHANGES

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in D.

*E. S. FIELD ... .. Treble	HARRY RODMELL ... .. 6
*THOMAS HAIGH ... .. 2	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... .. 7
*FREDERICK CRYER ... .. 3	ALBERT C. FEARNLEY ... .. 8
CHARLES P. BRADLEY ... .. 4	*JOHN H. HOWELL ... .. 9
HARRY N. IMESON ... .. 5	LEONARD RODMELL ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Caters.

## BEVERLEY, YORKS.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(EASTERN DISTRICT.)

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES;

Tenor 35 cwt.

GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... Treble	EDWARD S. FIELD ... .. 6
THOMAS S. MORTON ... .. 2	†ALBERT E. SELLERS... .. 7
CHARLES F. BRADLEY ... .. 3	HARRY RODMELL ... .. 8
*JOHN BRAITHWAITE ... .. 4	WILLIAM MIDDLETON ... .. 9
*FRED OSGERBY ... .. 5	LEONARD RODMELL ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Caters.

## SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6001 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. Treble	GEORGE ADES ... .. 6
JAMES GEORGE ... .. 2	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 7
HERBERT RANN... .. 3	ALFRED J. TURNER ... .. 8
FRANK I. HAIRS... .. 4	ROBERT J. DAVE ... .. 9
*GEORGE W. STOKES... .. 5	*BENJAMIN HOBBS ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. Mr. Dawe's 350th peal. It was rung on the 24th anniversary of his wedding day, and was also a birthday compliment to Mr. Hairs.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## ASHTRAD, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Dec. 21, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Giles,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

WILLIAM MESSAM ... .. Treble	ARTHUR C. OTWAY ... .. 5
WILLIAM E. OTWAY ... .. 2	ALBERT HARMAN... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	EDWARD HULL ... .. 7
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by A. DEAN.

All the ringers belong to Leatherhead.

## BRISTOL.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(SS. PHILIP & JACOB GUILD.)

On Saturday, Dec. 24, 1921, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PHILIP AND JACOB,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

*FREDERICK J. PORCH... .. Treble	*PERCY C. WILLIAMS... .. 5
*MISS ANNIE BROWN ... .. 2	*FREDERICK E. TYLER ... .. 6
FREDERICK W. WADE ... .. 3	*HENRY T. HOWELL ... .. 7
*EDWIN J. BROWN ... .. 4	ISAAC LONG... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by EDWIN J. BROWN.

\* First peal of Double Norwich. First peal in the method on the bells.

## BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 24, 1921, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

CHARLES E. PERKINS... .. Treble	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 5
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
JOHN BASS ... .. 3	WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 7
ERNEST J. BROOKS ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the oldest member of the Nether-ton company, Mr. Richard Round.

## GRIMSBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

*FRED OVERTON ... .. Treble	†WALTER GODDARD ... .. 5
JOHN WM. SEAMER ... .. 2	ARTHUR W. HOODLESS ... .. 6
THOMAS FITZJOHN ... .. 3	CHARLES TAYLOR ... .. 7
ALONZO W. LONG ... .. 4	WALTER AYRE ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal of Plain Bob. † First peal on eight bells.

## WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

## THE DURHAM &amp; NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paul,

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

WILLIAM L. GOFTON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 5
JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 2	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 6
GEORGE R. HOLMES ... .. 3	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... .. 7
R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER. Conducted by THOS. T. GOFTON.  
This peal was arranged for Mr. A. F. Bailey (late of Leiston), who now hails from Manchester. He was proposed a member of the Association previous to starting for the peal.

## TRING, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

WILLIAM SEELEY ... .. Treble	ARTHUR W. DIX ... .. 5
HUBERT EDEN ... .. 2	CECIL C. MAYNE... .. 6
HAROLD G. CASHMORE ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW... .. 7
WILLIAM HODGETTS ... .. 4	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT.  
Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Annie Reeve (daughter of Mr. Reeve, the respected captain of the Tring ringers) and Mr. T. Jones, which took place on this date. The band wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Reeve for their kind hospitality after the peal.

## ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF KENT &amp; OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb.

CHARLES DRAPER ... .. Treble	*SAMUEL BURGUYNE ... .. 5
HENRY FLETCHER ... .. 2	ALBERT H. WARD ... .. 6
HENRY HARRISON ... .. 3	CECIL J. BAKER ... .. 7
JAMES F. GEORGE ... .. 4	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

Rung to celebrate the marriage of Miss Frances K. Gobey, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Gobey, to Mr. Harry H. Jackson, which took place on the above date at St. John's Church, Ilkeston. This peal, with the methods spliced, is now rung for the first time.  
\* First peal of Treble Bob. The 7th and 8th do not enter the slow throughout the peal.

## WORCESTER.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH AND THE CATHEDRAL GUILD.)

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN.

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

JOHNSON'S VARIATION.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

GEORGE HINTON, JUN. ... Treble	JAMES R. MACKMAN ... 5
SIDNEY HOLT ... 2	WILLIAM C. JONES ... 6
THOMAS WALTERS ... 3	JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... 7
WILLIAM LEWIS ... 4	WILLIAM PAGE ... Tenor

Conducted by W. PAGE.

## UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

HENRY CHANCE ... Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... 5
* GEOFFREY LEWIS ... 2	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... 6
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... 3	ERNEST GIBBS ... 7
ERNEST E. BARBER ... 4	CHARLES CAMM ... Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES.

Conducted by C. CAMM.

\* First peal on eight bells.

## CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 15 cwt.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... 5
FRANK I. HAIRS ... 2	ALFRED J. TURNER ... 6
HERBERT RANN ... 3	JAMES GEORGE ... 7
GEORGE ADES ... 4	BERT CHALLENGE ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

## HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 13 cwt.

BERT CHALLENGE ... Treble	JOHN FEIST ... 5
HERBERT RANN ... 2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... 6
JAMES GEORGE ... 3	ALFRED J. TURNER ... 7
FRANK BENNETT ... 4	WILLIAM STENNING ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

## HEREFORD.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb.

ALFRED TOMKINS ... Treble	PERCY LANE ... 5
CHARLES EDWARD ... 2	ALFRED TALBOT ... 6
JAMES P. HYETT ... 3	HENRY J. TAYLOR ... 7
JOHN CLARK ... 4	RICHARD THOMAS ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

First peal on the bells, which were cast by Ruddall, 1769, and the tenor recast by Mears and Stainbank, 1921.

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 25½ cwt.

GEORGE ELLIS ... Treble	ALFRED W. GROVES ... 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... 6
EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 3	ALBERT D. STONE ... 7
FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 4	KEITH HART ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

## LONG STANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.

C. WOOLLEY ... Treble	* REV. H. B. WOOLLEY ... 5
E. G. HIBBINS ... 2	R. LATHBURY ... 6
W. H. J. HOOTON ... 3	A. MASON ... 7
MISS V. SHORTER ... 4	T. REG. DENNIS ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON.

Conducted by R. LATHBURY.

The composition is in 17 courses, with 6th its extent in 5ths, and its extent at home at 13 course ends. First peal of Treble Bob as conductor. \* First peal in the method away from the treble. Arranged for Mr. A. Mason, of Burwell.

## DORE, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF COLLEGE SINGLE MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

* WALTER BINGHAM ... Treble	† HERBERT HAIGH ... 5
J. ALBERT HELLIWELL ... 2	JAS. H. CHARLESWORTH ... 6
SAML. HARRISON ... 3	WM. HARRISON ... 7
ARCHIE BREARLEY ... 4	JOHN R. BREARLEY ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOHN R. BREARLEY.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. This peal contains the full combination of 4-5-6 in 5-6. W. Bingham is a local man, Herbert Haigh hails from Worksop, the rest from Bolsterstone.

## WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb.

ALFRED J. BULL ... Treble	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 5
FREDERICK WHITE ... 2	STAFFORD H. GREEN ... 6
GEORGE ELLIS ... 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... 7
EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 4	KEITH HART ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

## TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 0 qr. 3 lb.

ALFRED J. BULL ... Treble	WILLIAM LATTER ... 5
FREDERICK WHITE ... 2	STAFFORD H. GREEN ... 6
GEORGE ELLIS ... 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... 7
FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 4	KEITH HART ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

## BISPHAM, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(FYLE BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART

ARTHUR HAGUE ... Treble	FRED GREENWOOD ... 5
WILLIAM WILDE ... 2	JOHN SMITH ... 6
LAURENCE GREEN ... 3	THOMAS CROOKALL ... 7
JAMES BOLTON ... 4	CHARLES SHARPLES ... Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR HAGUE.

First peal of Grandsire on the bells. Ring as a tribute of farewell to the Rector (the Rev. Canon Leighton), who is retiring to private life after 36 years Rector of the church, also as a birthday peal to J. Smith. J. Bolton hails from Sacred Heart, Blackpool, C. Sharples from Bispham, the rest are St. John's Sunday service ringers, Blackpool.

ASHTREAD, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. GILES,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE COOK ... .. Treble	ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 5
JOHN BEAMS... .. 2	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	JOHN HOYLE... .. 7
JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. ROBINSON. Conducted by A. H. WINCH.

This was the conductor's 200th peal.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. MARY,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... .. Treble	CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 3	HARRY KILBY ... .. 7
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW. Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

NORTHAMPTON.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. EDMUND,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

WILFRED SHARPE ... .. Treble	JOHN HENSMAN ... .. 5
FRED WILFORD ... .. 2	BERTIE C. SODEN ... .. 6
*WILLIAM CHOWN ... .. 3	WILLIAM FAREY ... .. 7
JOHN METHERELL ... .. 4	†SIDNEY FOSKETT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM FAREY.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples. † First peal.

FOLKESTONE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. MARY AND EANSWYTHE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 25 cwt.

S. BINFIELD ... .. Treble	*H. PARKES ... .. 5
*A. BINFIELD ... .. 2	E. CHEESEMAN ... .. 6
J. CHEESEMAN ... .. 3	P. H. PIERCE ... .. 7
W. BIDNELL ... .. 4	J. COPPINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN CHEESEMAN.

\* First peal in the method.

RUNCORN, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

HARRY OVERTON ... .. Treble	ARTHUR NEWELL... .. 5
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 2	GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 6
*JOHN HAYES ... .. 3	JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 7
JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. 4	FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. RIDING.

\* First peal in the method.

RAWMARSH, YORKSHIRE.  
THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE  
SOCIETY.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb.

SAM THOMAS... .. Treble	ARTHUR FIRIH ... .. 5
F. CLIFFORD WILSON... .. 2	THOMAS COOPER ... .. 6
ALFRED G. STOCKS ... .. 3	HARRY MORTIMER ... .. 7
FRANK PICKERING ... .. 4	H. KIRK WHITE ... .. Tenor

Composed by PETER BRICKELL. Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

First peal by all except ringers of treble and 3rd. First peal by members of the local company.

FAVERSHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. MARY OF CHARITY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

J. J. PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM WOOD ... .. Treble	SAMUEL TAYLOR ... .. 5
SAMUEL R. GARNER ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. WALKER ... .. 6
WILLIAM NYE ... .. 3	WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 7
ERNEST J. DOBBIE ... .. 4	GEORGE WOOD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. SPICE.

WESTBURY, WILTS.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Church of ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 35 cwt.

LOUIS A. WILSON ... .. Treble	ERNEST BISHOP ... .. 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 2	CHARLES J. GARDINER ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 3	JAMES H. SHEPHERD ... .. 7
PERCIVAL W. CAVE ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First peal on the bells.

PENTRE RHONDDA, GLAM.  
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S FIVE-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.

GEORGE CROSS ... .. Treble	THOMAS HAMLIN... .. 5
TOM PAGE ... .. 2	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. 6
FREDERICK LASBURY ... .. 3	JAMES CROSS ... .. 7
HERBERT DAVIES ... .. 4	HENRY CRABBE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by TOM PAGE.

Rung as a compliment to the ringer of the 7th on his silver wedding day. First peal to be rung since the alteration of the title of the Llandaff Association.

NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... Treble	*FREDERICK G. ALLEN ... 5
ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 2	FREDERICK E. SMITH ... 6
THOMAS G. SAREL ... .. 3	A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... 7
WILLIAM T. PALMER ... .. 4	WILLIAM BIGGIN ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Rung to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the opening of the bells, and the 69th birthday of the ringer of the 3rd. \* First peal in the method.

BOLSTERSTONE, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1921, in Five Hours,  
At the Church of St. MARY,

**A PEAL OF COLLEGE SINGLE MAJOR, 8336 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt. in F sharp.

LEONARD SHAW ... .. Treble	WILLIAM HARRISON ... .. 5
J. ALBERT HELLIWELL ... 2	JAS. H. CHARLESWORTH ... 6
SAML. HARRISON... .. 3	GEORGE HILL ... .. 7
ARCHIE BREARLEY ... .. 4	JOHN R. BREARLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOHN R. BREARLEY.

This is the longest peal by all the band and the longest in the method ever rung. It is also the longest peal on the bells, the previous longest being 8,288 Kent Treble Bob Major, rung by a mixed band on May 19th, 1900. Contains the 4th, 5th and 6th 24 times each in 6th's place. All are local men except George Hill, who hails from Hoyland Swaine.



## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

FAIRFORD, GLOS.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Dec. 21 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

### A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 32 six-scores of St. Dunstan's & 10 of Grandsire. Tenor 15 cwt.

G. LAW... ..	Treble	O. G. FARMER ... ..	4
B. GUY ... ..	2	H. ACOCK ... ..	5
J. HOPE... ..	3	P. SERGEANT HASTING ...	Tenor

Conducted by J. HOPE.

\*First peal. This is the first peal rung on the bells by a local band. The only peal known to have been rung on them before was conducted by the late Rev. F. E. Robinson on July 23rd, 1898.

BARKSTON-LE-WILLOWS, Lincs.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 24, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Double Court, and two 720's each of Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

J. SEARSON... ..	Treble	A. W. STOKES ... ..	4
J. ATKINSON ... ..	2	W. E. WOODS ... ..	5
A. PALMER... ..	3	A. DRURY ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by A. DRURY.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor.

CROSS STONE, TODMORDEN.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION  
(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 24, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Grandsire and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

JOHN FITTON ... ..	Treble	GEORGE STAFF ... ..	4
MISS ROSE BELL... ..	2	WILLIAM CRABTREE ... ..	5
MRS. MARTHA INGHAM ...	3	HERBERT DAVENPORT... ..	Tenor

Conducted by H. DAVENPORT.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of treble and second. First peal in four methods by all except conductor.

HANLEY SWAN, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GABRIEL,

### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Grandsire, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

JOHN BAYLIS ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM NIBLETT ... ..	4
ERNEST E. BARBER ... ..	2	CHARLES CAMM ... ..	5
ERNEST GIBBS ... ..	3	ROBERT G. KNOWLES... ..	Tenor

Conducted by R. G. KNOWLES.

BARROW-ON-HUMBER, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1921, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

### A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 19½ cwt.

*ROBERT PRATT ... ..	Treble	ARTHUR W. HOODLESS ...	#
JOSEPH BARRICK ... ..	2	JOHN W. CROWDER ... ..	5
*HENRY EDWARD DANNATT	3	WALTER AYRE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal and first attempt. Rung in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. Crowder, sen., who were married at Barton-on-Humber on Xmas Day, 1871. Mr. Crowder, who was 50 years a ringer, is the last survivor of the "old" band of ringers at this church. Ringers of 4th and tenor are from Barton-on-Humber, the rest being members of the local company.

TOPSHAM, DEVON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 24, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

W. SALWAY ... ..	Treble	H. MAY... ..	4
J. HOWES ... ..	2	R. BROOK ... ..	5
MISS C. GOODMAN ... ..	3	W. COWAN ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by R. BROOK.

First peal by all except H. May. First peal on the bells.

LEADENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHIN,

### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being four 720's of Plain Bob and three 720's of Oxford Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb.

GEORGE SCOTT ... ..	Treble	*LEWIS GADSEY ... ..	4
*THOMAS KELLEY ... ..	2	JOSEPH NORTH ... ..	5
*WILLIAM NORTH ... ..	3	CALEB L. SIMCOCK ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by C. L. SIMCOCK.

\* First peal and first attempt.

LITTLE WALDINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

*W. FAYERS... ..	Treble	W. HEAD ... ..	
H. CORNELL ... ..	2	L. POULSON ... ..	
J. MARTIN ... ..		... ..	Tenor

Conducted by W. HEAD.

\* First peal on tower bells.

WOLLASTON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt.

LEONARD J. WYMAN ... ..	Treble	*AMOS SMART ... ..	4
ARTHUR BELLAMY ... ..	2	JOHN R. MAIN ... ..	5
GEORGE BASFORD ... ..	3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ...	Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

\*First peal with a working bell. Arranged for Mr. A. Smart and rung on Mr. J. R. Main's thirty-eighth birthday.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. JAMES CHINERY, 51, GARLAND STREET,

### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

JAMES LEVITT ... ..	1-2	FRANK J. LEVITT ... ..	5-6
ARTHUR E. MOORE ... ..	3-4	WILLIAM GOODSHIP ... ..	7-8

Composed by HENRY J. TUCKER. Conducted by ARTHUR E. MOORE.  
Umpire: JAMES CHINERY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Olive Chinery and Miss Ida Levitt.

LONG STANTON.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1921, in Two Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,

AT ALL SAINTS' VICARAGE,

### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor Size 16 in B flat.

CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY	1-2	WILFRID H. J. HOOTON... ..	5-6
JOHN B. WOOLLEY ... ..	3-4	*CHARLES W. COOK... ..	7-8

Composed by E. M. ATKINS. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON

\* First peal on eight bells in hand.

**ALL SAINTS', HEREFORD.**

As the first peal on the fine ring of bells of All Saints', Hereford, has been the wish of so many ringers in the diocese, the Ringing Master decided to make it, if possible, a district secretaries' peal, but at the last moment this idea could not be carried out, owing to the sudden illness of Mr. S. T. Rackham, and the hour of starting, 10 a.m., making it impossible for Mr. Mead, of Clun, to reach the city. An excellent peal was rung in 3 hrs. 18 mins., and, while the ringing was a little slow, the striking was good. Although it is claimed as the first peal on the bells, the fact must not be overlooked that a peal of Doubles was rung on the middle six about 1913, but, as this did not embrace the full peal of bells, it is deemed wise to claim the Triples as the first peal.

The bells have recently been rehung and tenor recast as a memorial bell for the ringers of the diocese who made the supreme sacrifice. The work of restoration leaves nothing to be desired. The plugging of the clappers is a great improvement, as it prevents metallic jarring, and produces a beautiful hum, so pleasing to the hearers without 'catcalls.' Everyone is so delighted with the result that the Cathedral authorities are now having the Cathedral clappers treated in the same manner. This is likely to produce a little more hum in the ringing chamber, but it is hoped at a very early date to get a deadening floor put in the Cathedral belfry.

The Hereford ringers will be delighted to see visitors at All Saints on any practice night (Thursday), or at 10 a.m. on Sunday mornings, but peals cannot be arranged except on Bank Holidays and special occasions, as the tower is in the centre of the city.

**WINCHESTER GUILD.**

The annual meeting of the Isle of Wight District of the Winchester Diocesan Guild took place at Carisbrooke on Tuesday, December 27th, when some 24 ringers were present, representing Carisbrooke, Newport, Ryde, Shanklin and Whitwell. Ringing commenced soon after two.

A service was held at 4 p.m., and this was followed by a sumptuous tea in the Schoolroom, after which the Rev. Stony Busher, Vicar of Carisbrooke, presided at the business meeting.

Further ringing took place after, and good practice was had for beginners in Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Stedman Triples.

**PRESENTATION TO MR. J. W. JONES.**

The bell ringers of St. Basil's Church, Bassaleg, South Wales, were left in no doubt that their services were fully appreciated, when recently they and their instructor, Mr. J. W. Jones, of Newport (hon. secretary of the Diocesan Guild) were entertained to supper in the church room by the church officials and others. The Vicar presided, supported by Messrs. A. R. Jones and J. Williams (churchwardens). Following the loyal toast, Mr. A. R. Jones proposed 'Success to St. Basil's Guild of Bellringers,' mentioning that Lord Tredegar was interested in the bells, and was carrying out certain improvements in the belfry.

Mr. Gould gave a brief history of the church tower. Mr. Will Taylor, father of the present village postmaster, with five of his sons, kept the bells going for over twenty years; and they were followed by a band who kept together for 25 years, led by the late Mr. Geo. Orchard. The bells, however, had been silent for many years.—The toast was supported by the Rev. Ebor Davies.

The Vicar presented to Mr. J. W. Jones a breakfast cnet and a pair of silver vegetable spoons, on behalf of the ringers, sidesmen and the Vicar. The Rev. D. Bowen thanked Mr. Jones for his services. Expert ringers had testified to the great progress of the Guild.—Mr. Jones suitably acknowledged the gift. Songs were rendered by Messrs. Palmer, L. James and D. Sparkes, Miss James presiding at the piano.

Mr. Jones took the hand in hand some eight or ten months ago, and taught them to handle the bells. Since then they have learned method ringing, and can strike Grandsire Doubles right well.

Unfortunately the bells are of cast steel.

**A GOOD RECORD.**

During the last quarter, viz., from September 29th to December 25th inclusive, 18,751 changes have been rung for Divine services at the Priory Church, Christchurch, Hants, as follows: 7,044 Stedman Caters, 6,149 Grandsire Caters, 2,688 Bob Major, 2,520 Stedman Triples, and 350 Grandsire Triples. On two occasions only have the members failed to complete what was attempted. Those taking part were: S. Best, A. Best, H. Bagshott, H. Croucher, W. Fowler, J. Frampton, E. Hinton, A. Heath, H. Lambert, H. Preston, G. Preston, G. Stone, L. Stone, Miss C. Sparshott, F. Sparshott, R. Street, A. Woolf, S. White, W. Cave, and C. Gordon from Bristol, for whom a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters was arranged.

The rest are all local men, and, with the exception of W. Fowler, learnt to handle a bell at the above church.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co., LOUGHBOROUGH.

## THE LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

# MEARS & STAINBANK,

Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,

32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.



ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

for

Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.

HANDBELLS

In Sets of any number.

BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Ill-luck has been predominant so far at each attempt made for a peal of Caters on the bells of Llandaff Cathedral since they were made a ring of ten. To honour the old leader of the Cathedral band (Mr. J. Clutterbuck) and one of the pioneers of the Llandaff Association, a peal was arranged, with a band of practically all ex-Masters of the Association. A start was made on Tuesday week, the birthday of Mr. Clutterbuck. All were greatly disappointed to find a shift course had occurred when well on with the peal.

On the same day, and probably at the very moment the attempt was in progress, a fatal accident occurred in the hunting field to the donor of the two new bells, Mr. J. T. Duncan, J.P., a Cardiff ship-owner, who lived at Oaklands, Llandaff. Mr. Duncan was following the Duke of Beaufort's hounds in Wiltshire. Jumping a wall, his horse, on alighting, pecked, and Mr. Duncan was thrown. He fell on his head, and death was instantaneous, his neck being broken. He was a Churchman, and regularly attended Llandaff Cathedral, of which he was a generous benefactor.

The peal of eight bells at Sandbach, Cheshire, are now in first-class order, having been rehung with all new fittings by Mr. J. E. Groves, of Birmingham. The work has given every satisfaction. Mr. Groves has also rehung the peal of six at St. Peter's Church, Elford, Staffs. The peal of eight at Cradley, Staffs, the peal of five at Lock, Warwickshire, and the tenor at Salford Priors, Warwickshire.

Following upon the Rev. C. D. P. Davies' exhaustive analysis of Cambridge Surprise Major which has appeared in our two last issues, we hope next week, if space permits, to give a sketch of the ringing career of Charles Middleton (written by Mr. J. A. Trollope), and a photograph of this veteran Norwich ringer.

## KETTERING BELLS AUGMENTED TO TEN.

### DEDICATION OF NEW TREBLES.

On Saturday, December 17th, the Bishop of Peterborough dedicated the two new treble bells which have been added to the present peal of eight at the Parish Church, Kettering. The new treble was given by Mr. George and Mr. Harry Hordon, in memory of their father, the late Mr. William Hordon, who was a valued member of the band of ringers for 20 years.

The work has been carried out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, and they are heartily to be congratulated on making such an excellent splice, while the tone and 'go' of the bells are all that can be desired.

Among those who were present at the service were Mr. Cyril Johnston (bell-founder), Messrs. Wilford, Law, Rogers, Allen, Soden (of Northampton), F. Barber and J. Shafford (Wellingborough), and many others, including the whole of the local band. Ringing was curtailed owing to the death of Mrs. Woodcock (wife of the Rector's warden), who had unfortunately passed away in the morning.

As a mark of respect the bells were rung half-muffled in touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters.

The first peal was rung on the bells on December 27th.

## LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

### NEW DUAL TITLE.

The annual meeting of the Llandaff Diocesan Association was held at St. Woolo's Church, Newport (the pro-Cathedral of the new Monmouth Diocese) on Monday, December 28th, when a large number of members attended from both the Llandaff and Monmouth Dioceses. The bells were available from 12 o'clock, and full advantage was taken of them. Service was held in the afternoon, conducted by the Rev. T. Powell Davies (in the unavoidable absence of the Archdeacon of Monmouth), who gave a most useful address. One of the Llanguoyd ringers presided at the organ.

Following the service, tea was served in Waters Lane Mission Room, and was immediately followed by the business meeting.—The Chairman (the Rev. Powell Davies), on behalf of the Archdeacon, welcomed the association to Newport.

In accordance with notice of motion, a discussion followed on the question of the title of the Association, which has arisen owing to the formation of the new diocese of Monmouth. It was eventually unanimously decided that instead of forming a new association the one should remain, to be designated 'The Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association.'

The election of officers followed, Mr. J. Bailey, of Whitechurch, being chosen as Master for the ensuing year. Mr. J. W. Jones was re-elected hon. secretary, and Messrs. Dawe and Hobbs auditors.

The next annual meeting will be held at Llandaff, the next Glamorgan quarterly meeting at Llantrisant, and the next Monmouth quarterly meeting at Bedwas.

Quite a number of new members were elected, including the whole of the ringers of the newly-formed Guild at Bassaleg. The usual votes of thanks closed the meeting. The bells of both St. Woolo's and All Saints' Churches were kept busy during the evening.



**BELLS OF ST. MARGARET'S, LEICESTER.****FORMAL OPENING OF THE NEW PEAL OF TWELVE.**

The twelve bells at St. Margaret's, Leicester, were heard for the first time on Christmas Day, when they were rung by the local company for all services. No change ringing was attempted, but well-struck rounds and call changes were rung, and the new beauty and grandeur of the bells, compared with the old peal, were noted by all concerned.

On Tuesday, December 27th, the bells were thrown open to the Exercise, and ringing, which commenced at 10 a.m., was carried on at intervals throughout the day. A huge gathering assembled from all parts of the country, including Birmingham, Bolsover, Burton, Derby, Manchester, Northants, Notts, Twickenham, Warrington, and other places; many of the county towers—too numerous to mention—as well as all the local bands, were represented. The belfry was at times crammed with ringers and visitors, and it is doubtful if Leicester has ever seen such a gathering on an occasion of this kind. An excellent programme was carried through under the direction of Mr. E. Morris, and included courses and touches of Grandsire Triples Caters and Cinques, Stedman Triples and Cinques, Kent Treble Bob Royal and Maximus, and what is more unique, a course each of Cambridge Surprise Major, Royal and Maximus. A pleasing feature was, that although only a few names were sent in for tea, the Vicar kindly undertook to find a place for those who wished to attend, and a most excellent tea was provided, 57 sitting down. Many visitors had, however, made their own private arrangements.

After tea, the Vicar (the Rev. F. R. C. Payne, M.A., O.B.E.), said how pleased he was to see such a large company of ringers present on this unique occasion, and he hoped all had enjoyed the new bells, of which St. Margaret's was immensely proud. He was glad to be able to announce the fact that the whole of the cost of recasting, re-hanging and augmentation had been assured before the bells were first rung, and he was proud of his willing helpers in this great achievement. There only remained a few incidental expenses to clear, and any contributions now received would be used to defray these. He was pleased to say he was the first to chime the new tenor publicly, when, with the help of four of his ringers (who chimed the quarters) he had 'bumped' the hour of midnight on Christmas Eve. The Vicar concluded by stating that he would personally bear the whole expense of the tea.

Mr. Ernest Morris, supporting the Vicar on behalf of St. Margaret's ringers, said how pleased they were to be able to invite such a large and representative gathering, and trusted all concerned had been satisfied with the programme carried out, as they were anxious to give everyone a chance of a pull. They at St. Margaret's were proud of their Vicar, who had stood by them in this scheme (as he had in many others), and had encouraged all by his own strenuous efforts to secure such a fine peal as they now possessed. It was through him that the whole scheme was carried out, as, without his influence, the full peal would certainly not have been secured. Mr. Morris announced the fact that the Vicar had granted an hour's extension of ringing, and this would give a further opportunity to those who cared to accept it.

Mr. F. Wilford (Northampton) responded on behalf of the visitors, and, voicing the opinion of all, said they were highly delighted with the arrangements. He congratulated St. Margaret's on securing such a peal of twelve, and thanked the Vicar for his kind hospitality in providing tea, which was an unexpected pleasure.—Mr. A. Walker (Birmingham) seconded, and apologised for the fact that many had failed to notify their intention to be present, but he assumed that many had not been certain till the last moment whether they could get to Leicester. Birmingham had mustered 14, and they were glad they had come, for they had been 'done well,' and were delighted with the privilege of a ring on St. Margaret's most excellent peal. The tea was a most pleasant surprise, for which they were very grateful to the Vicar. Mr. Walker gave the local ringers some good advice on twelve bell ringing, and trusted all would pull together and become proficient on their added numbers, which at first would be difficult, but the difficulties would be overcome, if they carried on in the right spirit. Birmingham and other centres would watch with interest their progress, and none would congratulate them more than they, when success crowned their efforts.

After the ringing, the evening was concluded by handbell ringing, etc., in a private room at a near-by hostel.

**SUDBURY, SUFFOLK.**—On Friday, Nov. 11th, with the bells half-muffled, at the Church of St. Gregory, 560 of Bob Major and 504 Grandsire Triples. The ringers taking part were: W. Lee, M. Silvester, W. Heard, E. Dixon, A. Perry, G. Tatum, C. Clarke, D. Elliott (conductor), A. Scott.

**NEATH, GLAMORGANSHIRE.**—West Wales Association.—At St. Thomas' Church, on December 12th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor in 24 mins.: J. E. Bloxham 1, J. Hoare 2, \*H. Boyer 3, \*A. J. Pitman 4, S. Perry 5, \*J. Hammond (conductor) 6. \* First 720 of Kent.

**BROTHERHOOD AMONG RINGERS.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Travelling recently in the company of a clergyman we naturally talked about bell ringing and bell ringers. The conversation drifted into the subject of brotherhood among ringers, and the reverend gentleman made the following remark: 'There is a silent brotherhood among you ringers—an unwritten law, in fact—that is very remarkable. I do not know of any other hobby or sport in which that wonderful spirit of brotherhood is so prominent and sincere. You set a wonderful example to other branches of churchworkers which should be, but I am afraid is not, a matter of considerable envy.'

Now, Sir, I have been a bell ringer for over thirty years, and I wish to express, through your columns, my hearty agreement with the remark passed by this reverend gentleman. I have travelled fairly extensively; there is hardly a county in England in which I have not rung, and I must say that wherever I have been I have found that wonderful spirit of brotherhood prominent among every member of the noble art of change ringers. I count amongst my greatest and truest friends many bell ringers. It does not matter who one is, what one is, or where one comes from, as long as he is a bell ringer, that is sufficient! 'Take your coat off and get hold!' You are welcomed at once as one of the band, and you are trusted and respected.

To the outside public, this spirit of brotherhood is a revelation, almost astounding; and yet it is silent, never referred to in any way, but it is always there. Especially have I found this so in taking up my new abode in Bristol—the home of change ringing in the West. I have already visited seven or eight towers in Bristol, and everywhere I have gone I have received a real hearty welcome, and an invitation to come as often as I can. To my new Bristol friends I offer my sincere thanks. To my many late London friends I also extend my grateful thanks for their genuine friendship, and my appreciation of the welcome given me wherever I went. We are all ringers together, assembled for a purpose of calling people to do honour to God—and it is only right and fitting that we who follow this calling should set an example to others by attending church as often as we can, and keeping ever in front of us that enviable and beautiful spirit of brotherhood which has been the ringers' silent watchword for so many years past. To you, Sir, and all my ringing friends, old and new—and my enemies, too, if I have any, I offer my hearty wishes for a very happy and prosperous New Year. Let that spirit of brotherhood continue, and ringing will never die.—Yours fraternally,

FRANK BALL.

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.****CHRISTMAS MEETING IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT.**

This was held at Sunderland on Tuesday, December 27th, and as a gathering of the members of the Association it was a huge success. Only a few towers within the district were represented, but no less than 26 members attended. Ringing was timed to commence at 1.30 at St. Michael's, Bishopwearmouth, and a few minutes after that the eight bells were ringing merrily. Afterwards a party proceeded to Holy Trinity, and then on to St. Ignatius-the-Martyr (both eight bell towers). The remainder followed in their tracks later, and thus all present had a pull in the three towers. Ringing was carried on until late in the evening, and included Bob Triples and Major for the benefit of the beginners, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Major.

St. Ignatius-the-Martyr Church Institute presented an animated appearance at 5 o'clock, when all gathered together for tea. Everyone seemed to be in a seasonable mood, and it was a happy throng. Mr. George S. Taylor, the vice-president of the district, presided, and he was supported by Mr. Wm. Story (president of the Association), Major Robert C. Hudson, O.B.E., Messrs. Joseph W. Parker (secretary), Allan F. Bailey (one of the famous Leiston brothers), W. H. Pickett, of London, Jas. Kemp, of Leeds, W. H. Barber, J. E. Keen, R. Richards, J. Pickering, and R. Thompson, of the Newcastle Cathedral Guild, J. Stuart, A. Payne, and T. Kell, of Gateshead, and a representative gathering of Sunderland ringers.

After the smiling faces had been broadened by the good fare provided, the loyal toast was honoured, and reference was made to the honour done to the district by the presence of so many distinguished visitors.

Mr. W. H. Pickett was elected a life member of the Association.

A short discussion followed as to the best means of livening up the district, after which the towers were again visited.

Votes of thanks were passed to the incumbents for the use of the bells, to the tower keepers for having everything in readiness, and to the ladies who attended to the arrangements for tea.

In the report of the centenary peal at Rotherham the number of changes should have been 5,021. It was not Mr. S. Briggs' first peal on ten, as indicated.

# GILLET & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

**BILLINGSHURST BELLS RE-OPENED.****A SUSSEX RESTORATION.**

On Saturday, December 31st, members of the Sussex Association accepted the invitation of the Vicar of Billingshurst (the Rev. R. C. Johns) to the reopening of the bells, which have been rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

The proceedings began with some well-struck touches of Grandsire Triples, after which a service was held, at which a suitable address was given by the Vicar, who, before leaving the church, invited the ringers and friends to tea at the Red Lion Inn, where a good company sat down to an excellent repast, with the Vicar at the head of the table.

In proposing a vote of thanks, Mr. Keith Hart, of Brighton, remarked that he was very pleased with the sweet tone of the trebles.—The Vicar, in reply, said how pleased he was to meet the ringers on that special occasion. It had been his aim ever since he had come to the parish to have the bells improved, but it had been a hard struggle to collect the necessary funds. Thanks, however, to two or three of the ringers, and Mr. James Birdfield in particular, he was now most happy to say he had the whole of the funds in hand. He also wished to thank Mr. Hughes (of Mears and Stainbank) for the generous manner in which the firm had treated them. He could thoroughly recommend the firm to anyone who had trouble with their bells.

Mr. A. A. Hughes, in reply, said it was some 30 years ago that his firm supplied the two trebles to the tower, and he was very pleased at having the opportunity of improving the peal. He would be pleased to see a band at Billingshurst able to compare with any in Sussex.

The members then adjourned to the tower, where the bells were kept going in various methods till eight o'clock.

The bells have been thoroughly overhauled and retuned, the tenor recast, and the whole rehung and fitted with the most modern fittings, including ball bearings, etc. Messrs. Mears and Stainbank are to be congratulated on the excellent tone and 'go' of the bells, which now compare favourably with any peal of eight in the county.

**FALSE COMPOSITIONS.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I wish to point out to the Exercise in general, and to the possessors of Middlesex Association reports in particular, that a peal of 5,043 Stedman Caters, by Mr. C. Charge, published in the 7th report, is false. Mr. Robert Maynard, junr., of Walthamstow, drew my attention to this a short time ago, and I have consulted Mr. W. Pye, the conductor, and examined his peal book, and we find that the composition in question has only once been rung by this association. Fortunately, the peal is not the well-known one of that number with duplicate course-ends, but one with fewer good qualities, and for that reason it would probably not greatly appeal to conductors.

I enclose the figures of the false composition, which was rung by the Middlesex Association at St. Giles', Camberwell, on November 14th, 1903, and published as peal No. 394 in the 7th annual report. The false courses are the first, and that beginning 312465879.

**5,043 STEDMAN CATERS, by C. Charge.**

231456	4	5	16	513264	5	16
416523*				512463		2
216345	—	—	—	213465	—	3
612543	—	—	—	314265	—	2
413562	—	—	3	415263	—	3
312564	—	—	3	413265	S	3
215364	—	—	2	314562	—	—
514362	—	—	3	312465	—	—
512364	S	3		315264	—	—
214365	—	—	3	512364	—	2
413265	—	—	2	214365	—	3
315264	—	—	3			

Will all holders of the above-mentioned report please mark the composition in question, to avoid its being rung again. It would be as well if some means were adopted of advising conductors of false peals which have been published in Association reports, as there is always a great danger of their being used. If such could be done through the columns of 'The Ringing World' I would gladly furnish a list of such peals in the records of the Middlesex Association.—Yours faithfully,  
C. T. COLES.

Hon. Sec., Middlesex County Association and  
48, Wood Street, E.17. London Diocesan Guild.

Mr. Coles' suggestion is a valuable one, and we shall be glad to publish the references to false compositions which have appeared in the reports of any association.—Ed. 'R.W.'

**THE EXTENSION OF METHODS.****DOUBLE NORWICH.**

Before dealing with the extension of Double Norwich, it is necessary to remove certain misconceptions. The practical way of ringing the method is well known, and first work is said to consist of a whole pull and a double dodge. Now, this is a very satisfactory statement, from a practical point of view, but we must consider the nature of what we call a double dodge.

The 2nd hunts to lead, leads a whole pull and hunts up into 2nd's place; she then dodges back to lead and hunts up again into 2nd's, she dodges back to lead again and hunts up into 2nd's the second time, so that what we call a double dodge is really two single dodges joined together by a single step of plain hunting, and we must keep this fact clearly before our minds when we come to consider the extension of the method, or else we shall fall into the mistaken idea that double dodging is of the nature of the method, in the same way that it is of the nature of Stedman's Principle.

From what I have said before the extension of a plain method is the extension of the plain hunting only, and so the hunt of one place in Major between the single dodges will become a hunt of three places in Royal, because we have two more bells, and five places in Maximus, as we have four more bells.

H. LAW JAMES.

**CLOCK WEIGHT FALLS.****NARROW ESCAPE OF RINGERS AT HODNET.**

On Monday evening, December 19th, several members of the Salop Archidiaconal Guild visited Hodnet, with the intention of ringing some short muffled touches as a tribute of respect to the late Sir Beville Stanier, M.P. for the Ludlow Division, who was interred earlier in the day. A start was made to raise the bells in peal, but they had not been ringing long when a clock wire snapped, and the hour weight fell from a height of about 30ft. into the ringing chamber (which is on the ground floor), smashing the flooring tiles, and going several inches into the ground just behind the treble and second ringers, who thought the war had started again, and did a 'quick run out,' amid flying ropes.

However, a start was again made, and after raising the bells, two six-scores of Grandsire Doubles were rung (half-muffled), in spite of the heavy go of the bells, by: J. Hayward 1, W. Lycett 2, A. Bayley 3, H. Rixom 4, E. Rodenhurst (conductor) 5, H. Edwards 6. The band afterwards went to Stanton-on-Hine-Heath, and rang 720 Grandsire Doubles in 24 mins.: J. Hayward 1, H. Rixom 2, E. Rodenhurst 3, W. Lycett 4, A. Bayley (conductor) 5, H. Edwards 6.

**MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.**

**HENFIELD.**—Sussex County Association.—At St. Peter's Church, on December 5th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 49 mins., with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to Mrs. Blackburn, of Barrow Hill: W. Markwell 1, F. Parsons 2, C. Barnes 3, G. Gander 4, A. E. Baker 5, G. Payne 6, L. Payne (conductor) 7, A. Hodges 8.

**CHESHUNT, HERTS.**—On Sunday, December 11th, for evening service, 1,008 Grandsire Triples: F. J. Gilbert (longest length) 1, G. Andrews 2, A. Bull 3, G. Maxim 4, D. Tucker (longest length inside) 5, R. Smith (longest length inside) 6, F. Jeff (conductor) 7, J. T. Munday (longest length) 8.

**TAMWORTH.**—On Sunday, Dec. 11th, at St. Editha's Church, for confirmation service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): J. Pratt 1, G. Chapman 2, W. Chapman 3, A. J. Chaplin 4, J. H. Chapman 5, A. J. Marks 6, S. G. Chaplin (first quarter-peal as conductor) 7, C. Pratt 8.—For evening service, 464 Bob Major: G. Peers 1, C. Chapman 2, W. Chapman 3, A. J. Chaplin 4, J. Pratt 5, A. J. Marks 6, R. P. Brindley 7, S. G. Chaplin (conductor) 8.

**TOPSHAM, DEVON.**—At the Church of St. Margaret on Sunday, December 11th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes): W. Salway 1, J. Howes 2, Miss C. Goodman 3, H. May 4, R. Brook (conductor) 5, W. Cowan 6.

**NORTHAMPTON.**—At the Church of St. Peter, on Sunday, December 11th, for morning service, 1,260 Stedman Triples, by: W. J. Allen 1, \*R. B. Bailey 2, W. J. Dove 3, W. R. Parker 4, J. C. Dean 5, W. Sturgess 6, F. Hopper (conductor) 7, \*S. Fiskett 8. \* First quarter-peal of Stedman at first attempt.

**REIGATE.**—On Sunday, December 11th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: H. Ewins 1, Miss E. Fisher 2, H. Jordan 3, A. Fillick 4, A. Wood 5, J. H. White 6, G. F. Hoad (conductor) 7, W. Pooley 8. Longest length by the ringers of 2 and 4, who hail from Dorking and Merstham respectively.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on December 31st, for Watch Night service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. W. Pannett 1, E. J. Pannett 2, J. Crowder 3, H. J. Norgate 4, A. Bradley 5, G. R. Simmonds 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, R. A. Fosdike 8.



# A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**LEE, KENT.**—At St. Margaret's Church, on Sunday, January 1st, for evening service, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (10½ different callings), in 45 mins.: A. Hoile 1, W. G. Pinnigar (conductor) 2, J. Lawson 3, C. Payne 4, C. Moulton 5, J. Dafters 6, H. Brasher 7, H. Heisterman 8. Rung with 4, 6, 8 behind. First quarter-peal of Doubles by all the band.

**WORCESTER.**—At All Saints', on January 1st, 720 Cambridge Surprise Royal: J. Woodyatt 1, F. W. Neate 2, G. Hinton, junr., 3, S. Holt 4, T. Walters 5, W. Lewis 6, W. Page (conductor) 7, C. Camm 8, J. J. Jefferies 9, J. R. Mackman 10. First touch in the method by Messrs. Woodyatt and Camm.

**TUNSTALL, KENT.**—For early celebration service, on Christmas Day, 720 of Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. W. Unwin 1, E. H. Spice 2, G. Webb 3, W. E. Spice 4, G. H. Spice 5, W. Spice, senr., 6.—For 11 a.m. service, 720 Plain Bob: J. Webb 1, E. H. Spice 2, G. Webb 3, J. W. Unwin 4, — Swinyard (Iden, Sussex) 5, W. Spice 6.—For evening service, 360 of Kent Treble Bob.

**CHISLEHURST, KENT.**—The Kent County Association.—On Sunday, December 25th, at the Church of St. Nicholas', for evening service, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes) of Grandsire Triples, in 40 mins.: H. Durling 1, T. Groombridge, junr. (conductor) 2, P. Brett Smith 3, J. Ford 4, R. S. Goodchild 5, R. Brett-Smith 6, T. Groombridge, senr., 7, F. Groombridge 8.

**CARDIFF.**—On Christmas Day, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes), in 49 mins.: \*A. Parnell 1, F. Smith 2, S. Dawe 3, W. Bolton 4, W. Heath 5, \*E. Stith 6, \*T. Carter 7, \*E. Coombes 8, F. Chamberlain (conductor) 9, S. Barker 10. \* First quarter of Caters.

**SOLIHULL.**—At midnight, on Christmas Eve, a course of Kent Treble Bob Major and 168 Stedman Triples: G. A. Martineau 1, G. Bragg 2, E. C. Shepherd (conductor) 3, H. Bragg 4, H. Shepherd 5, S. Bragg 6, R. Bragg 7, J. Bragg 8. This is the first time Treble Bob has been rung for Christmas in Solihull.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on Christmas Day, for Matins, 1,200 Grandsire Doubles: R. A. Fosdike 1, E. J. Pannett 3, J. Law 4, A. Bradley 5, A. F. Bennington 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, E. W. Pannett 8. Rung after meeting short for Triples, 6-8 covering.—For evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. W. Pannett 1, E. J. Pannett 2, A. Bradley 3, J. Crowder 4, E. B. Crowder 5, R. A. Fosdike 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, A. F. Bennington 8.

**SPROTBOROUGH.**—On Christmas Day, at St. Mary's Church, for morning service, two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob Minor: J. Stacey 1, H. Harding 2, W. Rowley 3, W. Athron 4, E. Short 5, E. Stacey (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor: W. H. Metcalfe 1, H. Harding 2, E. Short 3, W. Athron 4, W. Dent 5, E. Stacey (conductor) 6.

**ILMINGTON.**—Four Shires Guild.—On Christmas Day, at St. Mary's Church, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Plain Bob (1,272 changes), in 45 mins.: H. Terry (conductor) 1, T. Hands 2, S. Russell 3, C. Sabin 4, G. Hands 5.

**BARLEY, HERTS.**—At St. Margaret's Church, on Christmas Day, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Doubles (1,260 changes), in 41 mins.: W. Mansfield (conductor) 1, F. Hayes 2, W. Tack 3, R. Howard 4, A. Howard 5.

**POOLE, DORSET.**—At St. James' Church, on Christmas Day, 504 Stedman Triples (42 singles, composed by W. G. Pates (Cheltenham): F. W. Townsend (conductor) 1, J. Davis 2, A. Rose 3, F. Cole 4, T. Wooley 5, H. James 6, H. Baverstock 7, P. Davis 8.—Also 504 Grandsire Triples: C. Rose 1, J. Davis 2, A. Rose 3, A. James 4, H. James 5, H. Baverstock (conductor) 6, F. Townsend 7, P. Davis 8. Also 336 Bob Minor.

**THANET.**—On Christmas Day, at St. Lawrence, Thanet, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples: H. Foster 1, S. G. Twyman (conductor) 2, T. Scott 3, W. G. Birch 4, W. J. Jarman 5, J. Blythman 6, A. E. Jarman 7, J. Jarman 8.

**BARROW-ON-HUMBER, Lincs.**—On Christmas afternoon, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, in 25 mins., 720 Bob Minor: C. Pratt 1, J. Barriek 2, W. Goddard 3, J. W. Crowder 4, E. Dannatt 5, Walter Ayre (conductor) 6. Rung for the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. Crowder, parents of the ringer of the 4th.

**LINCOLN.**—On Sunday, December 25th (Christmas Day), for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), from Parker's 12-part peal, was rung in 50 mins.: C. McGuinness 1, R. Chester 2, Rev. R. Bond 3, A. R. Chester 4, C. B. Chester 5, L. Snell (conductor) 6, H. Marcon 7, A. H. A. Marcon 8. Great credit is due to the conductor, this being his first attempt at calling.

**BRIDGEND, GLAM.**—On Christmas Day, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples: B. J. Toby 1, R. Evans 2, J. Evans 3, R. Gregory 4, C. H. Perry (conductor) 5, H. Jenkins 6, D. R. James 7, A. W. Wright 8.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 40 mins.: B. J. Toby 1, R. Evans 2, J. Evans 3, R. Gregory 4, C. H. Perry (conductor) 5, H. Jenkins 6, A. J. Pitman 7, A. W. Wright 8.

**WYKE REGIS, WEYMOUTH.**—At All Saints' Church, on Christmas Day, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: A. Muntz 1, P. Wilsire 2, W. Rose 3, J. W. Rose 4, L. W. Wiffen (conductor) 5, O. H. Jennings 6, A. J. Rose 7, J. Beale 8.

**STONE-IN-OXNEY, KENT.**—On Christmas Day, for morning service, 720 of Bob Minor: H. H. Player 1, C. Wenham 2, F. Underdown 3, A. Daw 4, F. G. Burt 5, C. W. Player 6.—Also two 120's of Grandsire Doubles: T. W. Player 1, F. Underdown 2, C. G. Player 3, A. Daw 4, F. G. Burt (conductor) 5, C. Wenham 6.

**STRETTFORD.**—Lancashire Association.—On Christmas Day, for morning service, a date touch of Minor (1,921 changes), 720 Oxford Single, and 720 and 481 of Plain Bob, in 1 hr. 9 mins.: J. J. Moss 1, C. W. Birchall 2, A. Bannister 3, Harold Chapman 4, T. Totley 5, W. J. Moss (conductor) 6. Longest length by all except the conductor; also the longest on the bells by local ringers.

**SKIPTON, YORKS.**—During Christmastide, the tower has had many visitors, and on the 25th several touches of Minor and Major were rung for service. On Boxing Day, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) was rung in 47 mins.: C. F. Lenton (Pontefract) 1, W. Birtwhistle (conductor, Gargrave) 2, Miss A. Parkins (Peterborough) 3, F. Metcalfe (Manchester) 4, C. Langstorth (Gargrave) 5, Dr. Wales (Gargrave) 6, Jno. McKell (Gargrave) 7, W. J. Hillard (Skipton) 8. Miss Parkins' longest length of Triples. Afterwards, Double Norwich and Kent Treble Bob Major ended a pleasant afternoon's ringing.

**STOURBRIDGE.**—On Christmas Eve, at midnight, at St. Thomas' Church, 336 Grandsire Triples. — For evening service on Christmas Day, 504 Grandsire: B. Dunn 1, G. H. Pagett 2, A. J. Skelding 3, G. Skelding 4, A. E. Whatmore (conductor) 5, C. W. Cooper 6, A. W. Dodd 7, W. A. Pugh 8.

**BOSBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.**—On Sunday, December 18th, on the occasion of the consecration of the new burial ground by the Bishop of Hereford, 720 College Single: J. Foster 1, F. Stinton 2, G. Lewis 3, E. W. Turner (conductor) 4, F. Farmer 5, E. Spencer 6. First 720 of Minor by all excepting the ringers of 3 and 4.—For evening service, when various new articles in the church were dedicated, after the restoration, necessitated through fire, and of the memorial to those of the parish who lost their lives in the war, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob, with bells half-muffled: J. Foster 1, R. Lewis 2, G. Lewis 3, C. Bowers 4, E. W. Turner (conductor) 5, George Jordan 6. First 720 of Treble Bob for treble ringer. Other touches were rung during the afternoon and evening, other members taking part, which included Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Oxford and Double Bob Minor.

**SPELDHURST, KENT.**—On Sunday, December 18th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260): J. Denton 1, J. Medhurst (conductor) 2, F. N. Gurr 3, Miss E. Tomlinson 4, R. Eade 5, A. Maynard 6, J. Maynard 7, J. Warner 8.

**HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.**—At St. Mary's Church, for morning service, on December 18th, 672 Bob Major: Fred Walkerton 1, J. Taylor 2, Miss M. Gough 3, F. Cardwell 4, W. Godden 5, H. Buckler 6, P. Downing 7, J. Garth (conductor) 8. Longest touch by ringers of 2nd, 6th and 7th.

**BLACKBURN.**—On Sunday, December 18th, for evening service, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 45 mins.: E. Earnie 1, Wm. Briggs 2, E. Duteson 3, H. Anderton 4, J. Sanderson 5, J. Watson 6, W. E. Wilson (conductor) 7, J. Lofthouse 8. Rung as a compliment to the ringer of the 6th, on the anniversary of his birthday. First quarter-peal by the ringers of the treble and tenor.

**OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Sunday, December 18th, for evening service, 419 Grandsire Triples: G. Thompson 1, W. B. Kynaston 2, R. Martin 3, J. Hughes 4, H. Jarman 5, R. Evans 6, W. H. Williams (Hereford, conductor) 7, G. Beaton 8.—For morning service, touches of Stedman Triples, conducted by R. Evans and E. Jones.—On Tuesday, December 13th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes, on handbells), in 41 mins.: R. Kynaston 1, H. Hughes 2, W. B. Kynaston 3, W. H. Williams (conductor) 4, R. Evans 5, H. Kynaston 6.

**FAIRFORD, GLOS.**—On Sunday evening, December 18th, after evening service, 720 Doubles (240 Grandsire, 480 St. Dunstan): G. Law 1, B. Guy 2, J. Hope (conductor) 3, O. Farmer 4, H. Acock 5, G. Hastings 6.

## NOTICES.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays, at 7.30 p.m. Sundays, at 10 a.m. St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ledbury District.—Annual meeting will be held at Coddington on Jan. 7th. Bells at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Business meeting afterwards.—Richard Thomas, District Hon. Sec., Post Office, Coddington.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bolton Parish Church on Saturday, Jan. 7th. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m. Reports ready.—Peter Crook, 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Eastern Division.—The annual meeting will be held at Wivenhoe on Saturday, Jan. 7th. Service at 4.30, followed by tea (provided by local friends). Election of officers for ensuing year, etc. A record attendance is requested.—H. T. Pye, District Sec., 49, Wickham Road, Colchester.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The branch committee will meet at the Church Room, Bray, near Maidenhead, on Saturday, Jan. 7th, at 4 o'clock. Each tower in union should be represented, and subscriptions owing for 1921 forwarded without delay. Tower bells available 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. Tea at 1s. each will be provided for those who order it three days previously.—W. H. Fussell, Hon. Sec., Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Stafford on Saturday, Jan. 7th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5.15, with an address by the Rev. J. H. Kempson, M.A., Vicar of Penkridge. Tea (1s.) at 6 o'clock.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Ipswich Branch.—A General meeting will be held at Halesworth on Saturday, Jan. 7th. By kind permission of the Rev. H. C. Newbery, M.A., the bells of the Parish Church will be available from 2 to 7 p.m. Business meeting immediately following tea, which will be served at the Swan Hotel at 4 o'clock, price 1s. 6d. each. In accordance with the revised rules, adopted at the annual general meeting held at Norwich in October, the election of officers will take place at this meeting, and it is hoped there will be a good attendance.—E. Evans, Hon. Branch Sec., 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—A special meeting will be held at Kettering on Saturday, Jan. 7th. The two new trebles by Gillett & Johnston, recently added to the peal of eight, will be available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.15.—R. T. Turner, District Sec., 7, Gordon Street, Kettering.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the Swindon Branch will be held at the Parish Church, Swindon, on Saturday, Jan. 7th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. and during the evening. Tea at the King's Arms Hotel at 4.45, 1/6.—R. W. Hyner, Hon. Sec., 42, Brunswick Street, Swindon, Wilts.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly general meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes on Monday, Jan. 9th, 1922. Tower open 6.30 p.m. Business meeting 8 p.m., to be followed by special meeting to consider the alteration of rules.—A. D. Barker, Hon. General Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—The subscription of 1s. 8d., which entitles members who have not made twenty attendances in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus on Jan. 19th, \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 10th, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 12th, and \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 24th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Linton on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short service at 5 o'clock. Tea, provided by the Vicar, at 5.45, at the Vicarage. All those intending to be present must let me know not later than Tuesday, Jan. 9th, or tea will not be provided for them. Please note this.—Stephen Hayzelden, District Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Deanery Branch.—The Annual Meeting will be held at All Saints', Wokingham, on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Service at 4 p.m. Preacher: Rev. Canon G. F. Coleridge. Tea and Business Meeting following. Ringing at All Saints' and St. Paul's towers before service and after meeting. Those intending to be present at tea please notify by Jan. 7th.—F. Dentry, Branch Sec., Church Street, Twyford, Berks.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—S. and W. District.—A meeting will be held at Ohiswick on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4.45 p.m., and will arrange tea for 5.30. Welcome to all.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The annual meeting of the Bristol Branch of the above Association will be held on Saturday, Jan. 14th. St. Mary Redcliffe bells (12) available from 3 o'clock. Service in the Lady Chapel 4.30, to be followed by tea and business meeting at St. Thomas' schoolroom. Please notify Hon. Sec. by Jan. 9th, 1922.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Forest Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Staunton, near Gloucester, on Saturday, 14th Jan., 1922. Bells (6) open from 3 p.m. Service in Church at 4.30. Tea free to all who will notify me by 10th Jan. All outstanding subscriptions must be paid up at this meeting.—Joseph Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., Glen Holm, Newent, Glos.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas (12 bells) on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells ready at 5 p.m. Meeting at 7 o'clock. Subscriptions due. Reports ready.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—Annual meeting of above will be held at St. Thomas's, Portsmouth, on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells (8) 2.30 to 5, 7 to 8. Service at 5. Tea 5.45 at Smith & Vosper's, Castle Road, Southsea, for those who acquaint me by 12th.—E. J. Harding, District Sec., 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The annual general meeting of the above will be held at Appledore on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Short service in the Church at 4.30. Tea by the Guild at 5 o'clock. Members intending to be present at this meeting please signify to me not later than Jan. 10th.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Wolstanton, on Saturday, Jan. 14th, 1922. Please notify me on or before Jan. 9th how many intend to be present.—E. Steele, 109, George St., S. Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Eastern Branch.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Wrangle, on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service in Church at 4.30. Tea at the Angel Inn at 5 o'clock. Motor buses leave Boston 2.30 p.m. and 4.30 p.m.—J. W. Lakin, Hon. Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Radstock on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Service 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., pro tem.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Wellingborough District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wellingborough on Saturday, Jan. 14th.—Bells available at 2.30. Service 4.30. Address by the Vicar. Tea 5 o'clock at Granville Hotel, 1/6 each.—F. Barber, School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Berkeley on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Ordsall, Retford (6 bells) on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells available from 2 to 9 p.m. Tea will be provided at a reasonable price provided sufficient number is sent in for the caterer not later than Tuesday, Jan. 10th.—Members to advise Mr. D. A. Piercy, 60, Wharton Street, Retford.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—The annual district meeting for election of officers for 1922 will be held at Hinckley on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells available at 3.30.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The annual meeting will be held at Doncaster St. George's, on Jan. 21st. Bells ready early. Committee meeting at 4.0. Service at 5.0. Address by the President, the Ven. Archdeacon Sandford, M.A. Tea at 5.30, tickets 1/6 each. Only those who notify me before the 17th can be provided with tea. Subscriptions for 1922 are due at this meeting. A good attendance is desired. All ringers and friends welcome.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Henthorpe, Doncaster.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Established 1755).—Annual meeting will be held at the St. Martin's Hotel, City, on Tuesday, Jan. 17th, 1922, at 7.30. Bells of St. Martin's available from 6 o'clock to 7.15.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The annual meeting will be held on Friday, Jan. 20th, at St. Margaret's, Leicester. Ringing from 7.30 till 9 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—H. E. Norman, Dis. Sec., 52, Ivy Road, Leicester.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Church Kirk on Saturday, Jan. 21st, 1922. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Presteign and Leominster District.—The annual meeting will be held at the Priory Church, Leominster, on Saturday, Jan. 21st. Bells (10) available 3.30. Service 5 p.m., with an address by the Vicar, Rev. R. Gillenders. Tea at Hill's, Draper's Lane, at 5.45 p.m.—A. Talbot, District Sec., Staunton-on-Arrow, Pembrokeshire.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—The district annual meeting will be held at Southgate on Saturday, Jan. 21st. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 5.30. Tea will be arranged at the Woolpack at 6 p.m. at a moderate charge, and I shall be glad to hear from all who intend being present not later than the 18th inst. Will members please note that subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E. 17.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Newhey, on Saturday, Jan. 21st, 1922. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30. Subscriptions are now due.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 21st, at St. Luke's, Chelsea. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. Service, with an address by the Rector, at 6 p.m. Tea at 6.30 p.m. Business meeting to follow election of officers, &c. Tea at 1/6 per head. Will members requiring same kindly let me know by Jan. 16th.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W. 20.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting will be on Saturday, Jan. 21st, at Bulwell and Basford, near Nottingham. Both towers will be open for ringing from 2 to 8 p.m. The committee meeting will be at 3.30. Tea will be at 4.30, and general meeting to follow tea, in the Church Hall, Basford. Will those who intend to be present for tea (2/3 per head) kindly notify Mr. T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts, not later than Tuesday, 17th January.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**BRISTOL UNITED GUILDS' FIRST ANNUAL DINNER**, Grand Hotel, Broad Street, Bristol, Feb. 18th, 6.30 p.m.—Tickets 6/-, to be had from Hon. Sec., Edgar Guise, 39, Tankards' Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice:—St. Martin's, second Monday in the month, at 7.30 p.m.; Shoreditch, 3rd Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. Services, 2nd and 4th Sundays, 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7D, Morgan Mansions, N.7.



N.B.F.—1658. 2301. 1932. 2341. 26. 1860. 697.  
1777. 1760. 975. 1773. 285. 1141. 920. 1069.  
483. 1719. 1973. 2229. 1617.

**FOR SALE.**—NORTH'S 'BELLS OF LINCOLNSHIRE', excellent complete copy, in splendid condition. Nearest offer to 25/-, post free to purchaser.—C. W. P. Clifton, 120, Scorer Street, Lincoln.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Roll of Honour, etc., 2oin. x 3oin., 25/-; 24in. x 36in., 35/- each. Letters carved, 25/- per 100.—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottages, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### HANDBELLS.

**FOR SALE.**—Set of 49 Handbells in good condition. £30.—F. G. Paice, 2, Jubilee Road, Basingstoke.

#### HANDBELLS WANTED.

**WANTED.**—Handbells (Peal 8) Tenor F preferred.—E. J. Ryall, Christow, near Exeter.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, December 18th, at the residence of Mr. G. R. Fardon (143, Percy Road, London, W.), a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung 'in hand,' in 40 minutes, to celebrate the 18th birthday of Mr. R. A. Fardon, by: Challis F. Winney 1—2, William A. Alps (conductor) 3—4, Robt. A. Fardon 5—6, Herbert Langdon 7—8. First quarter-peal 'in hand' by Mr. Robt. Fardon, and rung at first attempt.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**

LIMITED,

**COVENTRY.**

MAKERS SINCE 1730.

#### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

# Clewellins

## & James, Ltd.,



### CHURCH BELLS SINGLY OR IN RINGS.

Bell Frames in Cast Iron, Steel  
and Oak.

Bells tuned on the latest improved principles initiated by the late Canon Simpson.

## CASTLE GREEN

## BRISTOL

# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

- ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.  
GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.  
STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.  
STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.  
TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.  
PART II.—At present out of print.  
DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.  
All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION...	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY	...	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods)	...	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	1	0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed, Hand-  
bells in sets Chromatic or Diatonic.

### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

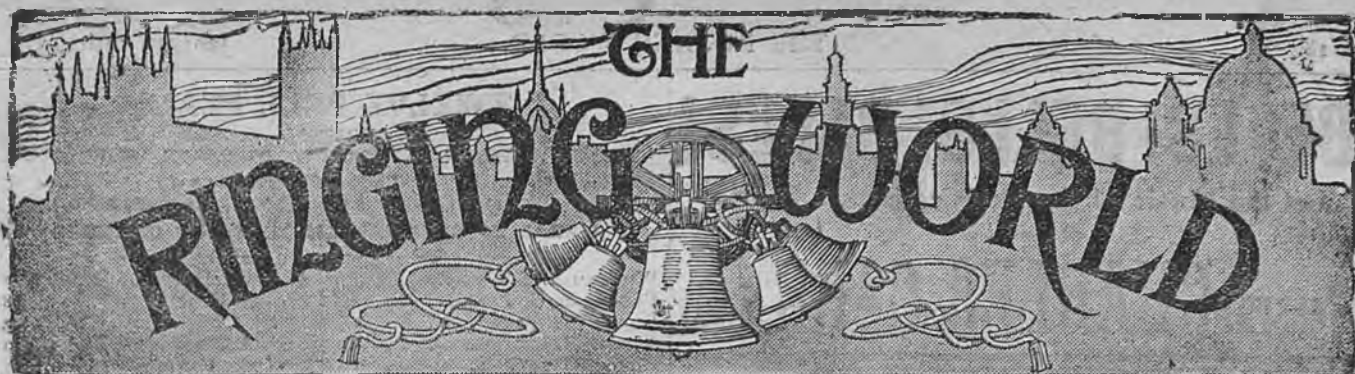
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER, Goldsmith and Jeweller,**  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING **WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolle House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 565. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13th, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 8d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### FALSE COMPOSITIONS.

The problem of false compositions, such as that which has just been discovered in the Middlesex Association Report of 1903, is one of very considerable importance to the Exercise. In the case mentioned, about eighteen years has elapsed since the ringing of the peal before the falsity of the figures has been noticed; and there have been other instances, such as that of Mr. Fred Dench's peal of Cambridge Surprise Major, which went for something like twenty years before it was ascertained that the peal was false. The circumstances of the discovery, of course, differed in the two cases mentioned, for whereas the Cambridge was noticed immediately upon publication—delayed through no fault of the author—the Stedman Caters has been in print in the Association Report ever since the year after the peal was rung. To find that a peal is false after it has been rung is most annoying to the ringers, and the longer the time that elapses before it is found out, the more irritating is the discovery. It not only upsets association and individual records, but may often spoil the value of statistics compiled at the expense of much time and labour. Although, in the case of the Middlesex peal, we are informed that the composition has not been rung a second time for that Association, there is always the risk that a conductor, looking for a peal to call, may select one which is false, once the figures have been given in print, and in this way the annoyance may be multiplied.

It may be said that conductors should always prove a composition before they call it. That is a counsel of perfection; but there are many capable conductors who could no more prove all the compositions they call than they could fly; and, after all, we ought to be able to place some reliance upon our composers. They are not infallible, and it is difficult to know what check can be put on to ensure accuracy. The risk, when false peals that have been rung go undiscovered for a length of time, is that other conductors, seeing that the composition has been rung and published, and that the figures have gone unchallenged, place double reliance upon them. Happily, cases of this kind are few, but it would be well if something could be done to render the chances of the ringing of false peals still less than they are. It is not easy to suggest a remedy, but one method does occur to us, and that is that composers might 'pair' and submit all their new peals to each other to be checked before letting them go out to conductors. It would be a reciprocal arrangement and would certainly provide a safeguard, although we have some doubt whether it is likely to appeal to the composers themselves. But any scheme that would eliminate false compositions is worth considering.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

BRISTOL.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, REDCLIFFE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 50 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb.

WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. Treble	EDWIN J. BROWN ... .. 7
FREDERICK G. LEAKER ... 2	ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. 8
EDWIN J. RIDLER ... .. 3	JAMES HUNT ... .. 9
ALBERT E. STOWELL ... .. 4	JOHN A. BURFORD ... .. 10
RICHARD CLARK ... .. 5	WALTER FARLEY ... .. 11
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 6	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM A. CAVE.

Mr. James Hunt was elected a life member of the Association previous to starting.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 32 cwt. in C sharp.

JAMES MOTTS ... .. Treble	JAMES ROSE ... .. 7
WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... 2	CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... 8
FRANK R. COPEMAN ... .. 3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... 9
*ARTHUR S. BOAR ... .. 4	FREDERICK J. TILLET ... 10
ROBERT H. BRINDLE ... 5	†GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 11
EDWARD EVANS ... .. 6	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.  
\* 50th peal. † First peal of Stedman Cinques. G. H. Cross and F. R. Copeman, for whom the peal was arranged, hail from Norwich.

LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD, SHOREDITCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 28½ cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS ... .. Treble	*ALFRED KING ... .. 7
REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 2	*FRANK BLONDRILL ... .. 8
ARTHUR G. NEALE ... .. 3	GEORGE CARD ... .. 9
FRANK SMITH ... .. 4	HARRY SEAR ... .. 10
THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 5	ALFRED H. PULLING ... 11
RICHARD BEVAN ... .. 6	CECIL J. MATTHEWS ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by JOHN D. MATTHEWS.  
\* First peal on twelve. This peal was rung to mark the conductor's silver wedding, and as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Smith, Neale and Theobald. It was also Mr. Pulling's 600th peal. Ringer of 2nd from Croydon, 7th from Luton, 8th from Woking, 10th from Bletchley, and 11th from "somewhere in Surrey."

## TEN BELL PEALS.

WREXHAM, DENBIGHSHIRE.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING ... .. Treble	†ARTHUR NEWELL ... .. 6
WILLIAM JONES ... .. 2	HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 7
*THOMAS CATHERALL ... .. 3	SAMUEL MEADOWS ... .. 8
†JOHN CLUTTON ... .. 4	JAMES MORGAN ... .. 9
EDWARD ROWLANDS ... .. 5	†SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... Tenor

Composed by H. COOPER. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.  
\* First peal of Grandsire with a bob bell. † First peal on ten bells.  
First peal of Grandsire for all except the ringers of 3rd, 5th and 8th.

**ALFRED BOWELL,  
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,  
IPSWICH.**



ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.  
ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES;

WILLIAM BRAMMER ... .. Treble	ALBERT CRAWLEY ... .. 6
JOSEPH MELLOR ... .. 2	SAMUEL BOOTH ... .. 7
JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 3	SAMUEL WOOD ... .. 8
WALTER WOLSTENCROFT ... 4	BENJAMIN THORP ... .. 9
RICHARD HOLDEN ... .. 5	ALBERT ADAMS ... .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PISTOW. Conducted by BENJAMIN THORP.

First peal of Stedman Caters for the 3rd, 5th and 6th ringers, who hail from Crewe. Rung to celebrate the jubilee of St. Peter's bells, Ashton-under-Lyne.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Magnus-the-Martyr, THAMES STREET,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. Treble	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 6
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... .. 2	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 3	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 8
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. 9
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 5	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method away from the treble. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute to the dying year, also as a token of respect to F. G. Perrin, who died on the 30th Dec.

ASTON, BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES;

Tenor 22 cwt.

*WALTER R. TWIST ... .. Treble	JAMES HOPKIN ... .. 6
WILLIAM G. ANKER ... .. 2	†HERBERT C. SPENCER ... 7
WILLIAM H. JONES ... .. 3	†GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 8
WILLIAM J. MEERS ... .. 4	THOMAS H. REEVES ... .. 9
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 5	WILLIAM DAVIES ... .. Tenor

Composed by MORRIS J. MORRIS. Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

\* First peal. † First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First peal of Grandsire Caters on tower bells.

STEPNEY, LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Dunstan,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 31 cwt.

WILLIAM A. ALPS ... .. Treble	ROBERT A. FARDON ... .. 6
FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... 2	JAMES SCHOLES ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. JOINER ... .. 3	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD 8
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 4	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 9
WILLIAM S. LANGDON ... .. 5	CHARLES S. BURDEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Monday, Jan. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Magnus, LOWER THAMES STREET, E.C.,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt.

ALAN R. MACDONALD ... Treble	JOHN W. GOLDING ... .. 6
HAROLD WALTON ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. PASMORE ... 7
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 3	HENRY R. NEWTON ... .. 8
LOUIS ATTWATER ... .. 4	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 9
ALBERT A. HUGHES ... .. 5	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

SURFLEET.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Laurence,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb. in E.

*GEORGE LADD ... .. Treble	*FREDERICK W. STOKES ... 6
*JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 2	†WALTER WOOD ... .. 7
†KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... 3	*ARTHUR I. HOLMES ... .. 8
*ROBERT RICHARDSON ... 4	†TOM TEBBOTT ... .. 9
THE REV. E. BANKES JAMES 5	THE REV. H. LAW JAMES Tenor

Composed and Conducted by the Rev. H. LAW JAMES.

\* First peal of Cambridge Royal. † First peal of Cambridge Surprise. First peal in this method on ten bells in the county, and by the Guild, and the first level 5000 in any Surprise method.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Taylor's Bob and Single.

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. Treble	FREDERICK MORTLOCK ... 5
STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... 2	FREDERICK BOREHAM ... 6
FREDERICK LEEKS ... .. 3	FREDERICK POULSON ... .. 7
FRANK TURNER ... .. 4	W. R. JOHN POULSON ... Tenor

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

First peal in the method by the 4th, and first in the method and on tower bells by the 5th.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Dec. 10, 1921, in Three Hours and One Minute,

At the Church of St. George-the-Martyr, SOUTHWARK, S.E.,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb.

THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... Treble	†LIONEL H. PAGE ... .. 5
*ERNEST J. KING ... .. 2	*ROBERT G. CHAPPEL ... 6
ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. 3	ISAAC EMERY ... .. 7
JEFFREY R. GAMMON ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by ARTHUR D. BARKER.

\* First peal of Surprise with an 'inside' bell. † First peal Cambridge.

BECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 17, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5988 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

GEORGE HOLMES ... .. Treble	JOSEPH MORTON ... .. 5
HARRY GREAVES ... .. 2	*JOHN HUMPHRIES ... .. 6
GEORGE BURNHAM ... .. 3	HARRY TURTON ... .. 7
*CECIL BOOTH ... .. 4	JOHN THORPE ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOHN THORPE.

\* First peal.

WARMINSTER, WILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

At the Church of St. Denys,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 28 cwt.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	ERNEST BISHOP ... .. 5
LOUIS A. WILSON ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 6
HERBERT W. BISHOP ... .. 3	JAMES H. SHEPHERD ... .. 7
ROBERT W. HYNTER ... .. 4	ERNEST F. WHITE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First peal in the method on the bells.

CHELSEA. — At St. Luke's Church, on Sunday, January 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, in 52 mins.: Mrs. A. Clark 1, F. Mitchell 2, H. H. Mance 3, E. Reeve 4, A. Newman 5, A. Clark 6, W. Essery 7, E. Cassell 8, H. Mance (conductor) 9, P. Norton 10.

CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 17 cwt.

*MISS FREDA E. ORR... ..Treble	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 5
CHALLIS F. WINNEY... .. 2	*JOHN S. HIGGINS ... .. 6
*MISS MARGARET A. PHILIP 3	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 7
*ARTHUR T. SMALLEY ... .. 4	*CYRIL W. A. PERKINS ...Tenor

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

\* First peal, and rung at first attempt.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

GEORGE BAILEY ... ..Treble	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5
FRANK L. FISHER ... .. 2	CHARLES E. FISHER ... .. 6
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 3	CHARLES SAMPSON ... .. 7
JOHN C. G. HAGGAR ... .. 4	ERNEST S. BAILEY ... ..Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

## DERBY.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMOND,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S NO. 1.

Tenor 18 cwt.

ALBERT H. WARD ... ..Treble	CHARLES DRAPER ... .. 5
MAURICE SWINFELD ... .. 2	ERNEST H. CLARKE ... .. 6
HENRY FLETCHER ... .. 3	JOHN H. SWINFELD ... .. 7
GEORGE FREEBRY ... .. 4	ARTHUR BRAINES... ..Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

## DERBY.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

J. CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

JOHN W. GLEW ... ..Treble	WILLIAM A. PARSONS... .. 5
FREDK. WALDRON ... .. 2	J. ARTHUR ORGILL ... .. 6
JOSEPH LORD ... .. 3	WILFRED H. BUXTON... .. 7
GEORGE W. BRAME ... .. 4	FREDK. FOSTER ... ..Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. W. Glew, the respected Master of St. Peter's band.

## BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

ROBERT MATTHEWS ... ..Treble	ARTHUR E. WHATMORE ... 5
JOHN BASS ... .. 2	*CHARLES W. COOPER ... 6
*EDWARD T. LLOYD ... .. 3	JOHN LLOYD ... .. 7
JAMES WHATMORE ... .. 4	CHARLES E. PERKINS ...Tenor

Composed by G. HAYWARD.

\* First peal on an 'inside' bell.

## MONKS KIRBY, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

(ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY, RUGBY.)

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. EDITH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 24½ cwt. in D.

*LESLEY BRAMALL ... ..Treble	WILLIAM TAYLER ... .. 5
ALFRED G. GRANT ... .. 2	JOSEPH B. FENTON ... .. 6
CHARLES E. JOYNES... .. 3	WALTER MALINS ... .. 7
CHARLES W. WHEELER ... .. 4	†SIDNEY G. HOPCROFT ...Tenor

Conducted by WALTER MALINS.

\* First peal away from tenor. † First peal. First peal of Triples on this magnificent peal.

## ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1921, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

JOSEPH MELLOR ... ..Treble	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT 5
WILLIAM BRAMMER ... .. 2	ALBERT ADAMS ... .. 6
JOHN H. BRIERLEY ... .. 3	SAMUEL WOOD ... .. 7
SAMUEL BOOTH ... .. 4	BENJAMIN THORP... ..Tenor

Composed and Conducted by SAMUEL WOOD.

Rung to celebrate the jubilee of the bells.

## DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Dec. 29, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb.

ERNEST E. GRIMES ... ..Treble	*THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... 5
WILLIAM J. GROOM ... .. 2	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 6
PERCIVAL WOODS ... .. 3	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... 7
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... .. 4	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... ..Tenor

Composed by GEO. H. CROSS.

Conducted by WM. C. RUMSEY.

\* First Surprise peal 'inside.' Arranged for the tenor man, who hails from Leiston. Also rung as a birthday compliment to Lionel Rumsey, uncle to the ringers of 7th and 8th, who is churchwarden of the above parish.

## BURTON LATIMER.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Dec. 30, 1921, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

*WALTER T. WILSON ... ..Treble	*WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... 5
E. MAURICE ATKINS... .. 2	CHARLES W. BIRD ... .. 6
*MATTHIAS HOBBS ... .. 3	ROBERT F. TURNER ... .. 7
*CECIL CHAPMAN ... .. 4	DAVID J. NICHOLS ... ..Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

First Surprise peal on the bells. \* First peal in the method.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Dec. 30, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY TOWER,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 6½ cwt.

JOHN SADDINGTON ... ..Treble	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 5
WILLIAM SMITH... .. 2	*JOSEPH BAILEY ... .. 6
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 3	RICHARD DRAGE ... .. 7
JOHN OLDEHAM ... .. 4	EDWARD READER ... ..Tenor

Conducted by JOHN OLDEHAM.

\* First peal in the method. The peal was arranged for J. Bailey and R. Drage of Long Eaton.

## THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(ST. MARTIN'S SOCIETY, LEICESTER.)

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

PERCY HARRISON... ..Treble	JOHN OLDEHAM ... .. 5
SHIRLEY BURTON... .. 2	DET. SERGT. H. G. JENNEY 6
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 3	HERBERT W. NEEDHAM ... 7
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ...Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES.

Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

First peal in the method by all except the ringer of the 5th. First peal of London by a band of Leicestershire ringers and rung at the first attempt.

GET YOUR  
RINGING  
FRIENDS  
TO SUPPORT

THE RINGING  
WORLD

BY  
TAKING  
A COPY  
EVERY  
WEEK.

## LUTON, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ST. MARY'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ALFRED KING ... .. Treble	FREDERICK HUNT ... .. 5
*CLIFFORD ROLLINGS ... .. 2	THOMAS KENDALL ... .. 6
*ARTHUR J. SMITH ... .. 3	LEWIS A. GOODENOUGH ... .. 7
HARRY WOOD ... .. 4	ARTHUR ROOKWOOD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by L. A. GOODENOUGH.

\* First peal in the method. This peal was completed at midnight.

## CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM SHILVOCK ... .. Treble	ERNEST J. BROOKS ... .. 5
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 2	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 6
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
JOHN BASS ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

This peal completes six attempts for London Surprise in the last six weeks, each having proved successful.

## EYE, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

*HENRY TODD ... .. Treble	ALFRED OAKES ... .. 5
HUBERT J. DAY ... .. 2	*ALBERT SYMONDS ... .. 6
*JOHN MOULE ... .. 3	FREDERICK BRUNNING ... .. 7
ERNEST F. POPPY ... .. 4	WILLIAM BURROWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. Conducted by E. F. POPPY.

\* First peal.

## CARDIFF.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

FREDERICK VILES ... .. Treble	WILLIAM HEATH ... .. 5
ERNEST H. HUNT ... .. 2	*ERNEST COOMBS ... .. 6
HARRY WEST ... .. 3	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 7
CHARLES GREEDY ... .. 4	SEYMOUR R. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRED CHAMBERLAIN.

\* First peal. Specially arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. F. Forsdike, one of the Churchwardens.

## CAVERSHAM, OXON.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(ST. PETER'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.

H. SIMMONDS ... .. Treble	J. HANDS ... .. 5
A. D. COLLAM ... .. 2	G. ESSEX ... .. 6
W. HIBBERT ... .. 3	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, M.C. 7
R. T. HIBBERT ... .. 4	E. W. MENDAY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. W. MENDAY.

This was rung to celebrate two diamond weddings, that of the father and mother of the conductor, and that of his wife's father and mother.

## HALLOW, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 21½ cwt.

*JAMES WOODYATT ... .. Treble	†SIDNEY T. HOLT ... .. 5
GEORGE HINTON, JUN. ... .. 2	JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... .. 6
FRANCIS W. NEATE ... .. 3	WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 7
WILLIAM PAGE ... .. 4	JAMES R. MACKMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by J. R. MACKMAN.

\* First peal. † First in method inside.

## FAKENHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

ARTHUR DYE ... .. Treble	ARTHUR W. BALDWIN ... .. 5
CHARLES S. TUTHILL ... .. 2	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 6
CHARLES WYBROW ... .. 3	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 7
GEORGE COOKE ... .. 4	ROBERT W. COOKE ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS. Conducted by W. E. BASON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled for the passing of the 'old year.'

## YORKTOWN, SURREY.

## THE WINGFESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(YORKTOWN DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

*J. SMITH ... .. Treble	F. NYE ... .. 5
B. HAWKINS ... .. 2	G. MILES ... .. 6
†H. CHAFFEY ... .. 3	W. HENLEY ... .. 7
E. HAYNES ... .. 4	W. WELLING ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by H. CHAFFEY.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt. † First peal in the method as conductor and first attempt. Rung in honour of the election of Mr. H. Chaffey as ringing master to the above district. Mr. B. Hawkins has now rung every bell in this tower to a peal.

## BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

HERBERT E. ROBBINS ... .. Treble	SAM THOMAS ... .. 5
WILLIAM LAMBERT ... .. 2	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... .. 6
CHARLES MASON ... .. 3	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 7
THOMAS BETTISON ... .. 4	JOHN FLINT ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

This composition, the Author's No. 24, is now rung for the first time. Rung as a farewell peal to Canon Akkrill-Jones, who is leaving Bolsover for the Diocese of Llandaff; and as a 21st birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble.

## DERBY.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qt. 14 lb.

*FREDERICK WALDRON ... .. Treble	*GEORGE W. BRAME ... .. 5
HENRY FLETCHER ... .. 2	*WILFRED H. BUXTON ... .. 6
*WILLIAM A. PARSONS ... .. 3	JOHN W. GLEW ... .. 7
*J. ARTHUR ORGILL ... .. 4	JOSEPH LORD ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

\* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor. Rung, fully muffled, on the passing of the year 1921.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

SELSWORTHY.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(DUNSTER DEANERY.)

On Monday, Dec. 26, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Comprising Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

F. C. ARSCOTT ... ..	Treble	H. L. ARSCOTT ... ..	4
H. J. ARSCOTT ... ..	2	F. G. ARSCOTT ... ..	5
H. W. ARSCOTT ... ..	3	T. HOLE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by H. J. ARSCOTT.

\* First peal and first attempt. First peal as conductor.

LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Duke of York, Oxford Delight, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Tteble Bob, Double Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

BARNARD PATMORE ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE ... ..	4
FREDERICK W. ELLIOTT ... ..	2	GEORGE H. CARTER ... ..	5
SIDNEY CARTER ... ..	3	ERNEST A. OVERALL ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST A. OVERALL.

This peal was arranged for F. W. Elliott, who was formerly an esteemed member of this band, and was on a visit to his native village.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of London, Wells, Durham, York, Ipswich, Cambridge and Norwich Surprise.

ALPHEDS J. BERRY ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM ROSE ... ..	4
WILLIAM CLOVER ... ..	2	ERNEST F. POPPY ... ..	5
*GEORGE BROWN, JUN. ... ..	3	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLLE.

\* First peal of Surprise.

**HANDBELL PEAL.**

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Nov. 24, 1921, in Two Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,  
IN THE TOWER,**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;**

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... ..	1-2	LAWRENCE POOLSON ... ..	5
STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... ..	3-4	FREDERICK POOLSON ... ..	6
		W. R. J. POOLSON ... ..	7-8

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

The following peals were rung during a week's holiday 'in Guildford':—

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1921, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 14 in D.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	1-2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... ..	5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... ..	3-4	ERNEST WEATHERBY ... ..	7-8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

JOHN C. JAY ... ..	Treble	ERNEST GOWER ... ..	6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... ..	2	ALFRED J. TURNER ... ..	7
*ERNEST WEATHERBY ... ..	3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... ..	8
†GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	4	KEITH HART ... ..	9
ALFRED W. GROVES ... ..	5	BENJAMIN BASSETT ... ..	Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal of Caters on tower bells.

TEDDINGTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Dec. 29, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT 15, COLESHILL ROAD,**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 18 in G.

RUPERT RICHARDSON ... ..	1-2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... ..	3-4	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... ..	7-8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witnesses; MR. &amp; MRS. W. DOBBIE and MRS. C. H. DOBBIE.

OLAPHAM, S.W.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Dec. 30, 1921, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
A 63A, OLD TOWN,**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 22 in C.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... ..	1-2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... ..	5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... ..	3-4	FRANK I. HAIRS ... ..	7-8
		GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	9-10

Composed by E. FRANCIS. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire: E. WEATHERBY.

Mrs. F. I. Hairs' rooth peal. These are believed to be the largest handbells rung to a peal.

SHALFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT BROADFORD,**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 13 in E.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	1-2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... ..	5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... ..	3-4	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... ..	7-8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witnesses: MRS. &amp; MISS STEERE.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 17 in A.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... ..	5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... ..	3-4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... ..	7-8
		SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... ..	9-10

Composed by JOHN ROGERS. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

The conductor's 350th peal 'in hand.'

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

ALFRED H. PULLING ... ..	Treble	HARRY BURDOCH ... ..	5
*FREDERICK L. CLARKE ... ..	2	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... ..	6
HENRY HUTTON ... ..	3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... ..	7
GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	4	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

\* First peal. Rung half-muffled for the Watchnight service.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Jan. 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

GEORGE ELLIS ... ..	Treble	ARTHUR MASON ... ..	5
*HERBERT J. SKELT ... ..	2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	6
OLIVER SIPPETTS ... ..	3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... ..	7
WILLIAM BEESON ... ..	4	ALFRED H. PULLING ... ..	Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Beeson.



**BELL RINGER'S JUBILEE, 1871-1921.****SELBY ABBEY CAPTAIN HONOURED.**

Mr. Frederick Cryer, of 5, Nalton Street, Selby, captain of the Selby Abbey Church band of ringers, celebrated his jubilee as a bell ringer, on Saturday, December 24th, 1921, and was the recipient of many congratulations from a large circle of friends. 'Freddie,' as he is generally known, is 63 years of age, and commenced his ringing career 50 years ago at St. James' Church, Selby, where there are three bells. He remained there for five years, and afterwards joined the band at Selby Abbey, where there was at that time eight bells. He was eventually appointed captain, and set out to try and secure a band of change ringers. After hard work and perseverance that object was attained. After the fire at Selby Abbey in 1906, which destroyed the bells, he and his comrades were the means of raising a substantial sum of money to restore the bells, and to augment the ring of eight to ten.

On Monday, December 26th, he stood in a peal of Grandsire Caters, at Selby Abbey to celebrate the occasion, and on Thursday, December 29th, he was entertained to a supper at the George Hotel, Selby, when a Chesterfield chair, pipe and pouch were presented to him by the members of the Abbey tower, and friends, in recognition of his services.

The presentation was made by the Vicar (the Rev. Canon Solloway, D.D.), who, on behalf of himself and members of the Abbey Church, congratulated Mr. Cryer on his jubilee as a bell ringer. Whenever there was any ringing, if at all possible, Mr. Cryer would be there. It seemed to be his most happy time when among the bells. He heartily thanked Mr. Cryer for the splendid work he had done, and wished that he might be spared to celebrate his diamond jubilee.

Mr. F. Wray (churchwarden) expressed delight to be present on such a unique occasion. It was pleasing to know that they had in Mr. Cryer such an enthusiast. He was always at his post, and took a keen interest in the bells. It was a pleasure to him to hear the Abbey bells, and he hoped Mr. Cryer would be able to continue for many years to come to captain the band of ringers at the Abbey.

Mr. Cryer, in acknowledging the gifts, said he had been taken by surprise. It was very good of the ringers and friends to think of him in that way on this occasion. He was proud to know that he had obtained what he set out to do, and that was to introduce change ringing at Selby Abbey, and that now they had a very good band. He thanked them all most heartily for their good wishes and nice presents, which he would value very much.

Touques and tunes was rung on the handbells during the evening, and a very enjoyable time was spent.

**1921 RECORDS.**

During 1921 the local band at Sandhurst, Berks, rang 82 720's at the Parish Church. Of these, 73 were rung for Sunday services in the following methods: Kent Treble Bob, 32; Oxford Treble Bob, 18; Woodbine Treble Bob, 20; Cambridge Surprise, 12. The following members took part: J. Moth, 80 (conducted 24); C. Doe, 60 (conducted 21); A. Collins, 32; G. Englefield, 66 (conducted 21); C. Barlow, 61; B. Barlow, 69 (conducted 11); G. Riches, 65 (conducted 5); A. Payne, 36; J. Pitts, 25.

At Norbury, near Stockport, 109 complete 720, covering no fewer than 36 methods, were rung during the year.

**68,400 CHANGES IN 1921.**

St. John Baptist Association, Leytonstone, with visiting friends, rang 95 complete 720's during 1921 at St. John's Church: Ipswich 13, London 12, Lincoln 11, Cambridge 9, Wells 7, York 6, Durham 8, Beverley 5, Chester 4, Carlisle 3, Chelsea 2, Cnuceastre 2, Norwich 2, Whitley 1, Morpeth 1, Munden 1, Warkworth 1, Canterbury 1, Newcastle 1, Alnwick 1, Leytonstone Delight 1, Oxford Treble Bob 1, Kent Treble Bob 1, Plain Bob 3. Bung by E. Smith 85, W. Miller 82, A. Prior 67, G. Dawson 65, G. L. Joyce 58, P. H. Avey 52, J. Moule 51, W. Riches 49, W. Theobald 45, G. Hadden 8, H. T. Butler 2, E. Butler 1, W. Pye 1, J. Horwood 1, W. Shute 1, H. Gowers 1, B. Brough 1. Conducted by W. Miller 69, A. Prior 8, G. L. Joyce 7, G. Dawson 6, W. Theobald 3, J. Moule 1. One 720 Cambridge was non-conducted. The total number of changes rung was 68,400.

The Wicken, Northants, ringers rang during 1921 42 complete 720's, consisting of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Double Oxford, Double Court Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, and Grandsire and Stedman Doubles. The great majority of the 720's were rung for Sunday services, 41,528 changes having been rung altogether. As the band could only ring Plain Bob Minor at the beginning of the year, this is an excellent record.

**BEVERLEY'S MIDNIGHT CUSTOM.**

The custom of reading Tennyson's poem, 'Ring out the old,' at Beverley Minster after midnight ringing for the departure of the old year, was kept up this year, the poem being read by a lady visitor. The ringing included 395 Grandsire Caters before 12 o'clock, by: W. Gibson 1, C. P. Bradley 2, C. F. Lawes (R.N.) 3, J. Braithwaite 4, F. Osgerby 5, C. G. Constable 6, A. E. Sellers 7, J. E. Constable 8, W. Middleton 9, G. M. Daggitt 10; and immediately after midnight, 503 Grandsire Caters; A. Botham 1, C. F. Lawes (R.N.) 2, H. Ringrose 3, J. Braithwaite 4, F. Osgerby 5, C. P. Bradley (conductor) 6, A. E. Sellers 7, C. G. Constable 8, W. Middleton 9, G. M. Daggitt 10.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE**  
**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**

# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1670**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**  
In Sets of any number.

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The accident at Twickenham Parish Church on New Year's Eve is another illustration of the serious danger of going in the dark among bells that are 'up.'

The Worcestershire band which has just rung six peals of London in six attempts in six weeks has achieved something to be proud of. There are familiar names among the ringers, and some of them learnt their London a good many years ago. But that in no way detracts from the merit of the performance.

Another band whose steady progress in the Surprise Methods must have been remarked by our readers, is the company at Leicester, who, having recently scored their first peal of Cambridge Royal have now, at the first attempt, rung their first peal of London.

Reference to peals of London reminds us that it was on January 14th, 1899, that the St. Peter's Society, Brighton, rang the first peal of London in the City of London. This was, we believe, at St. Stephen's, Coleman Street. In those days, St. Peter's company had no superiors as ringers in Surprise methods, and their 'ringing weeks,' when they attempted and generally rang a Surprise peal every evening, are well remembered by ringers of those days.

On January 15th, 1771, the Norwich Scholars rang 6,720 Norwich Court Bob at St. Michael's, Coslany, one of the earliest peals in the method.

The first peal of Grandsire Cinques was rung on January 19th at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, but it is a little uncertain, we believe, whether the year was 1724 or 1725.

The dedication service of the three new trebles added to the five bells in the village tower of East Ilsley, Berks, will take place on Saturday, January 28th, at 3 p.m., by the Lord Bishop of Oxford. Will any ringers or friends intending to be present please notify W. Hibbert, East Ilsley, so that arrangements may be made for a tea at a nominal cost?

The peal of Minor, rung at Leadenham, Lincolnshire, on Monday, December 26th, was conducted by George Scott, the ringer of the treble, and not by C. L. Simcock, as stated in last week's issue of 'The Ringing World.'

Readers will have read with interest that the Bristol ringers have taken up enthusiastically the suggestion that they should organise a dinner in their city to provide the opportunity for a reunion of ringers in the west. It is good to read of it as 'Bristol United Guilds.' It shows unanimity and foretells success.

A peal at Tring appeared in our last issue under the year 1919; it should, of course, have been 1921.

In the previous issue also a printer's error occurred, by which certain of the eight bell peals in Mr. T. J. Salter's list were stated to be 'on six bells.'

## SERIOUS BELFRY ACCIDENT.

On New Year's Eve a serious accident befel Mr. F. Powell, in Twickenham, Middlesex, parish church tower. It is reported that when the ringers assembled to ring for Watchnight service they found that one of the bells had been 'clocked' for the purpose of tolling for a funeral that afternoon. Mr. Powell, who is deputy parish clerk, undertook to go up and untie the clapper. Picking his way in the darkness, along the frame, he stumbled, and to save himself from falling, caught hold of the wheel of another bell. The bell was pulled off the balance, and pinned him, bruised and bleeding, to the frame.

Below the ringers saw the violent oscillations of the rope, and heard the cries of the injured man. They hurried to his assistance, but the moving of the bell, weighing 15 cwt., and the conveyance of Mr. Powell to the bottom of the tower, was a work of great difficulty, and midnight passed before it had been completed.

A large congregation attending a Watchnight service were oblivious of what was going on above them, and they, and the whole town, wondered at the silence of the bells.

## ST. BOTOLPH'S, BISHOPSGATE.

The Rector and Churchwardens of St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, have appointed Mr. Frederick C. Lambert, formerly of Halesworth, Suffolk, as towerkeeper at this church. It is highly essential that an experienced man ought at all times to have the custody of peals of bells, and we feel sure that Mr. Lambert will justify the confidence placed in him. Regular Sunday ringing henceforward will take place at St. Botolph's on the first and third Sundays in the morning.

## SOUTH DURHAM TOWERS.

By kind permission of the Rev. W. Kerr-Smith, on the bells of the Parish Church, Catterick, N. Yorks, on the 2nd January, touches, amounting to 2,212 changes in all, were rung in Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob and Bob Major, and 216 Bob Minor, in which one of the local ringers took part. Ringers attended from Holy Trinity, St. Cuthbert's and St. John's, Darlington, towers, and Shildon. Touches on the handbells on the homeward journey completed an enjoyable afternoon.

## CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR.

CHARLES MIDDLETON, COMPOSER OF THE FIRST PEAL.

By J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

There must still be living at Norwich men who recollect Middleton. When I began to ring there, nigh thirty years ago, he was remembered as an ordinary man, an ordinary member of a good band, and probably the last thing he or his fellows thought was that he was, or had done, anything out of the ordinary, or that anyone would sit down fifty years later and try to write his history. Such a man is like the majority of us; he has no history.

Charles Middleton was born in 1813 at Marsham, a small village about a mile from Aylsham, on the Norwich road. From quite early times this was a centre of good ringing. Aylsham bells were made eight in 1700, and as early as 1731 they claimed to have rung a peal of Grandsire Triples. No details of the performance have come down, but if the claim was sound it would rank among the very earliest peals in the method. The Norwich men had rung Grandsire Triples in 1718, and again on December 28th, 1719. Two or three other peals had been rung in different parts of the country, and that was all.

The tradition of good ringing thus early begun did not die out, and when Middleton began to ring in April, 1834, he found a good band at the two towers. His first peal is recorded in the belfry at Marsham as 'a touch consisting of seven different peals, each containing 720 changes, on December 14th, 1837, in 3 hrs. and 3 mins. Names of peals as follows: London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Double Bob, Double Court Bob, and Stedman Slow Course.' The peal was conducted by Thos. Edridge, and Middleton rang the fourth. All the ringers apparently belonged to the local band. On January 9th in the following year he rang the 5th at Aylsham to 5,440 of Oxford Treble Bob Major, in 3 hrs. 31 mins., conducted by T. Greenwood. G. Clements, who rang the treble, was only seventeen years old, but had been ringing since his twelfth year, and he lived long enough to take part in a peal at Aylsham with several ringers still alive.



CHARLES MIDDLETON.

In 1839, Middleton left Marsham, and lived at Norwich. After his departure in 1842, the bells were made into eight, and for many years they had the reputation of being the lightest ring of that number in England. The tenor is 7 cwt. They were a poor lot, the trebles being very wild. So much so, that when they were restored a few years ago, the old second was left (untuned, I believe) as the new treble and a new second supplied. The ringers, however, made good use of them, as the following peals show: 5,280 and 6,400 Oxford Treble Bob in 1842; 10,080 in the same method in 1844; 5,083 Kent in 1846; and 5,152 Double Norwich in 1851. This last was a fine performance, and one of the earliest peals in the method.

When Middleton left Marsham to come to Norwich he left a good band to join a far better. Samuel Thurston, the greatest ringer Norwich has ever produced, died in 1841. He had found a band unsurpassed in England, and during the time he was ringing he led it to fresh triumphs. Ringing in Norwich was not quite the same after his death, but, at any rate, one thing survived long after: the tradition of good striking which was what the old Norwich ringers excelled in. Middleton was elected one of the St. Peter Mancroft Company, in 1843, and with them he rang the following peals: 5,040 Stedman Triples, 5,120 Kent Treble Bob Major, 5,600 Oxford Treble Bob Major, 7,126 Stedman Cinques, 5,295 Stedman Caters, 5,120 Oxford Treble Bob Major, 5,040 Stedman Triples, 5,440 Oxford Treble Bob Major, and 5,001 Stedman Caters. A very meagre list judged by present-day standards when a band will go and ring as many peals in a single week, but he would be a very foolish person who judged these old ringers by the number of peals they rang.

Of the peals the 7,126 of Stedman Cinques is the most noteworthy. It was the then record, and, according to tradition, was a very finely rung performance. In my young days, I knew well the last survivor of the band, William Freeman. He was thoroughly typical of the old ringers. Savagely severe in the matter of striking, contemptuous of anything done since his time, hard as flint on young ringers. There never was such a band and such ringing as the old band he belonged to, and the ringing they did. And yet withal, when you knew him, a kindly and most interesting old gentleman.

In many ways, the late Matthew Wood resembled him strongly. A sure way to win his favour was to praise the long peal of Stedman Cinques. In that peal the tenor was rung double-handed, and this suggests another thought. The bell is only 43 cwt., and yet, save once only, she had never been rung single-handed till quite recent times. It was not for want of trying, nor for want of good heavy-bell men. Bell hanging in old times was not what it is now. When you are comparing feats of heavy bell ringing then and now you have to remember this. Nowadays, it is no exaggeration to say there are dozens of men who could ring Mancroft tenor behind to a seven thousand. But could they have rung her if they had been living eighty years ago?

Middleton died on Sept. 14th, 1886, and was buried at Norwich Cemetery.

It is, of course, on account of his peal of Cambridge Major that Middleton is remembered. It is his fortune to have achieved a certain immortality, and as long as ringing lasts his name will be familiar. No one would call him a great composer. Apart from the Cambridge, the peals of his that have come down to us are an ordinary, a very ordinary, five-part of Treble Bob Major of the awkward length of 5,440 changes, a pretty good two-part Treble Bob Royal of 6,000, a 5,014 Stedman Cinques which is brought round from 312456 by bobs on 9, 10, 11, in two separate courses, and a fittum peal of Treble Bob Maximus. We can be pretty sure that these are his best peals, for he and Hubbard rang together, and the latter would have been sure to have printed any other good ones in his book, if there were any.

How then did he get his masterpiece? By knowledge and hard study, or by a fluke? I should be sorry to think it was altogether a fluke, but it is quite certain that he did not sit down and study Cambridge to see what could be done, and from that construct his peal. Evidently he first wrote out the course ends, and then tested it for false rows. The arrangement of bobs is just the sort that anyone experimenting with figures would hit on. I cannot verify it, but I believe that when it was first printed it was given as a peal of London, and only in the later edition of Hubbard's book is it recognised as a true peal of Cambridge. If so, who was it that found it out? Middleton himself or Hubbard? According to Mr. Snowden, Henry Johnson also composed the peal independently, and in any case he was the first to show how it can be shortened to the convenient length of 5,056.

There are a few compositions in some of the methods that stand out above all others. Such are Holt's 10-part and Original, Thurstons' 4-part and Parker's 12-part. Among them we must include Middleton's peal, with this to be said in addition: that it is the only true peal in the method with 7-8 together. In the 'Bell News' of March 5th, 1887, Sir Arthur (then Mr.) Heywood showed that not only was Middleton's peal the only true one, but that variations of it are limited. The original is 5,600. This you can reduce to 5,152 by omitting three Homes; or you can get 5,056 by using a Before; or you can get two 5,184's by using two Before, and slightly altering the calling of some of the courses. The first 5,184 published was by Mr. J. W. Washbrook; the second by Sir Arthur himself.

A short history of the ringing of this peal may be interesting. In 1843 the Norwich men tried hard to ring it, but did not succeed. They missed Samuel Thurston, and were not quite the band they were in his time. It was not till 1873 that the composition was rung at Bennington. It was conducted by T. Page, and rung complete as 5,600. It was given as the composition of J. Miller, who earned



# GILLET & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.



a reputation as a 'pirate composer' almost equal to that of Sottan-stall himself.

It started with the fourth course of the variation usually rung.  
23456 M. W. R.

42356 —  
34256 —  
24653 —  
56342 — —  
34562 — —

I am not sure that this is not the best way to ring it. You get over the three 'plain' courses at the start. When they are left to the end some ringers begin to get fidgety when they come up, and it is surprising what a lot of peals in the Surprise Methods are lost in the plain course.

The Burton men rang the 5,600 in the ordinary variation at St. Paul's, on February 14th, 1887. Heywood's 5,184 was first rung at Burton on February 7th, 1887, apparently the second true peal in the method. Both peals were conducted by Wm. Wakley. Johnson's 5,058 was first rung at Duffield on February 19th, 1887, also by the Burton men, and a few days later, on March 1st, the Rev. F. E. Robinson called it at Appleton, J. W. Washbrook ringing the 6th. Washbrook's variation was first rung at Drayton on June 4th, 1888, conducted by himself.

## CHRISTMAS RINGING IN BOSTON, U.S.A.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—May I once again trespass upon the columns of your valuable paper to send you a report of our activities at Christmas, which may possibly be of interest to your readers?

On Christmas Eve, for the first time since the Sunday following the Armistice of 1918, the bells of the Church of the Advent, Boston, Mass., were rung by members of the Boston Guild of Change Ringers. The following composed the band for the occasion: Messrs. Sturgess, S. Sturgess, junr., Zabnor, Allfrey, Newton, Bashford, Goodhead, Laker, Matthews, the three first named from Groton School. Ringing took place for an hour before, and twenty minutes after, the usual Christmas Eve Carol Service. This service is very popular at this church, and, as is usually the case, a large number failed to gain admittance to the church. Consequently, we were assured of a large audience, the result being an awakening of the former interest in our ringing. Many expressed their delight at hearing the bells, and hoped that we would ring again.

The following Monday afternoon we journeyed to the Perkins' Institute for the Blind, Watertown, Mass., where we were all glad to hear again this melodious peal, erected by Mears and Stainbank in 1913. We ring here again on January 2nd. Would that we were assured of the services of a few more ringers, so that we could ring these bells regularly!

Great credit is due to Mr. Allfrey, who made the trip to Boston and return on Christmas Eve and again the following Monday, a distance of, approximately, 50 miles each way, for the purpose of 'having a pull.' Picture to yourself a cold, raw, wintry day, with rain and snow battling for the mastery, the streets covered with about six inches of ice and slush, eventually turning into miniature skating ponds; then picture yourself leaving the blazing open fire, in a real old-fashioned house of the sort which is rarely found in these parts, but which takes one back to days across the sea, and making a trip of, approximately, 100 miles; repeating it two days later! Such was the achievement of Mr. Allfrey. Is not such a spirit to be encouraged? I doubt, if, under like conditions, this feat would be duplicated even in England!

Apropos my last letter which you published on December 9th, I have already received a few letters from some of your readers, to whom I wish to express my appreciation for their prompt reply, and to assure them that they will receive an answer—necessarily delayed, because of the need of consulting others—via the mails. It is reassuring to us to know that the ringing fraternity 'over there' is interested in us, if only in a way that lends us nothing more than moral support! We need, of course, much more than that; and we are hoping that, thanks to your valuable paper, we shall receive other support, by an influx of members to our organisation.

Thanking you for your assistance and courtesy,

Very truly yours,

ALEXANDER MATTHEWS.

84, St. Boltoph Street, Boston, Mass.  
December 30th, 1921.

WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.—On Sunday, December 11th, for morning service, 720 of Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. Rose (conductor) 1, E. Youngs 2, A. J. Berry 3, G. Kemp 4, W. Clover 5, E. F. Poppy 6.

## KETTERING'S NEW BELLS.

### NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION MEETING.

A special meeting of the Kettering District of the Central Northamptonshire Association was held at Kettering on Saturday week. This was regarded as the public 'opening' of the two new bells, completing the peal of ten now installed in the tower of the Parish Church of SS. Peter and Paul. There was a very large attendance, including the Rev. O. H. L. Hopper (Rector of Warkton-cum-Weekley); Mr. C. Dean (of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Croydon); Mr. J. Saddington (treasurer of the Bell Fund); Mr. George Horden; Mr. D. J. Nicholls (general secretary); Mr. W. T. Wilson (treasurer); Messrs. R. F. Turner, W. Perkins and J. Nickerson (district secretaries); and ringers from Thrapston, Ringstead, Woodford, Islip, Weekley, Geddington, Barton Seagrave, Isham, Wellingborough, Burton Latimer, Fineson, Irthlingborough, Higham Ferrers, Great Addington, Broughton, Northampton, Desborough, Rothwell, Peterborough, and the local band. The Rector of Kettering (the Rev. C. B. Lucas) conducted a brief service in the church.

At the tea which followed, the Rev. O. H. L. Hopper, who presided, said that the Rector of Kettering had sent an apology for absence from the meeting. The churchwardens, Councillor E. Woodcock and Mr. J. A. Emerson, were also unable to attend, whilst Mr. Harry Horden, one of the donors of the bells, was kept away by illness.

Miss Phyllis Hare and Miss Annie Parkins were elected out-county members.

Mr. D. J. Nicholls explained how the bell scheme was first started. He spoke very feelingly of the late Mr. W. Horden. Mr. Saddington, he said, had made great efforts towards the scheme, and to him many thanks were due. On behalf of the ringers, he (the speaker) thanked Mr. Saddington, also Messrs. G. and H. Horden, and the Rev. C. B. Lucas, for their practical interest.

The Rev. C. H. L. Hopper congratulated the Kettering ringers on securing the two new trebles, but he added he thought they would not be happy until they got two more and had 12 bells.

Mr. Horden said he had been associated with the ringers for many years, and he and his brother—much as they regretted the cause that made them do so—felt it a great honour to be able to add their bell, especially as there was only one more peal of ten in the county.

Mr. Saddington, who was cheered on rising, said it had given him great pleasure to be able to help the scheme. He thanked Mr. Nicholls for his remarks, and also the ringers for the way they received them. He spoke very highly of Mr. Nicholls as a bell ringer.

Mr. W. T. Wilson proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, and also for his address.

Mr. E. M. Atkins, in seconding, said he thought that nine-tenths of the whole scheme was due to Mr. Nicholls, who was far too modest. His name should be added to the vote of thanks. In his estimation Kettering was the best peal in the county, and he hoped to soon hear them ringing a peal of Cambridge Royal.

Mr. D. J. Nicholls, responding on behalf of the Rector, said that any ringer would always be welcomed in the Kettering belfry. The churchwardens greatly regretted their absence. He said every man had contributed, both in work and money, and he accepted the vote of thanks on behalf of the Kettering ringers.

Mr. Dean, responding to a vote of thanks passed to Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, said that Mr. Johnston had unfortunately been called away, and he apologised for his absence.

Many methods were rung on the beautiful bells, including Grand-sire Caters, Stedman Caters, and Bob Royal.

## WEDDING BELLS.

At Wragby Parish Church (Yorks), on the occasion of the marriage of John Arthur Adams, a member of the local band, and Miss Ellen Brooks, of Wragby, on Boxing Day, December 26th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: F. Marsden 1, G. Harrison 2, W. Jackson 3, W. Green 4, J. Hewitt 5, J. Adams, senr. (conductor) 6. Also 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, by: F. Marsden 1, G. Harrison 2, W. Jackson 3, W. Green 4, J. Hewitt 5, J. Brewin 6. Conducted by J. Adams, behind the tenor.

## FROM FIGURES TO METHOD.

At Felkirk Parish Church, near Barnsley, on Friday night, December 2nd, 1921, 720 Bob Minor was rung: T. White 1, A. Noble 2, M. — 3, F. Priestley 4, C. Normington 5, T. Hartley (conductor) 6. This is the first 720 ever rung on these bells (which have been a ring of six since the year 1876) by a local band. At the beginning of April, 1921, they were ringing by figures, but with the assistance and instruction of F. Atkinson, of Wragby, they have overcome their difficulties, and show signs of becoming a good band in the future.

# A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday evening, January 8th, at St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, 1,260 Stedman Caters: A. Cutmore 1, W. E. Garrard (conductor) 2, C. W. Roberts 3, F. V. Stukins 4, A. Fisher (first quarter-peal of Stedman) 5, G. W. Frayne 6, P. L. Miles 7, A. V. Selby 8, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyu 9, H. G. Miles 10.

**LINSLADE, BUCKS.**—On January 8th, at St. Barnabas' Church, for evening service, 700 Grandsire Triples: J. Sear 1, G. White 2, F. Vickers 3, F. Dedman 4, A. Vickers 5, W. Dedman (conductor) 6, W. Jeffs 7, A. E. Seddon 8. First 700 with an inside bell, by G. White. Rung on the completion of Mr. F. Vickers' 28th year as foreman of Linslade, and 35th year as a ringer at the above church.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On Sunday, January 8th, at the Parish Church, 1,036 Grandsire Triples: A. Binfield 1, S. Binfield (conductor) 2, E. Jarvis 3, E. Bridges 4, J. Henley 5, T. Farley 6, A. Kedwell 7, J. Coppins 8.

**SKIRBECK, BOSTON.**—Lincoln Diocesan Guild (Eastern Branch).—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Sunday, January 8th, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 22 mins.: W. E. Clarke 1, F. Staffurth 2, J. Kirk 3, A. H. Palmer (conductor) 4, Harry Palmer 5, Harold Palmer 6.

**TAUNTON.**—On Sunday, January 8th, to welcome the Bishop of Bath and Wells to St. James' Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46 mins.: J. Maddock 1, J. Hunt 2, W. Cording 3, W. Doble 4, A. Thorne 5, F. Millard 6, E. E. Burgess (conductor) 7, E. Triddle 8.

**HITCHIN.**—On Sunday, January 1st, for Matins, 224 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: H. Else 1, E. Day 2, E. Newell 3, F. Bacon 4, G. Wolfe 5, J. Hare 6, J. Foster 7, W. Croft (conductor) 8.—For one afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 50 mins.: E. Newell 1, E. Day 2, W. Croft 3, F. Bacon 4, G. Wolfe 5, J. Hare 6, L. Fidler (conductor) 7, H. Day 8. The bells were half-muffled, the occasion being the dedication of a war memorial window given by the late Mr. T. F. Harrison, of Liverpool, and King's Warden. This gentleman had been a benefactor to this church, and also Liverpool Cathedral. The ceremony was performed by the Venerable Archdeacon Gibbs, Chaplain to the King.—For evensong, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 50 mins.: E. Newell 1, E. Day 2, J. Hare 3, F. Bacon 4, G. Wolfe 5, H. Day 6, L. Fidler 7, W. Croft (conductor) 8. This was also W. Croft's composition.

**THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, January 1st, for morning service, 720 Durham Surprise Minor: L. Last 1, W. Clover 2, G. Brown 3, A. J. Berry 4, E. F. Poppy 5, W. Rose (conductor) 6.

**STOURBRIDGE.**—On Sunday, January 1st, at St. Thomas' Church, for evening service, 1,008 Grandsire Triples by the following, who are all regular service ringers: B. Dunn 1, G. H. Pagett 2, A. J. Skelding 3, G. Skelding 4, A. E. Whatmore (conductor) 5, C. W. Cooper 6, A. W. Dodd 7, W. A. Pugh 8.

**WOODFORD, NORTHANTS.**—On January 1st, for evening service, 360 Oxford Bob: C. Watson (first 360) 1, F. Ball (conductor) 2, A. Ball 3, W. Hayo 4, J. B. Hudson 5, J. Ball 6.—Also 360 Kent Treble Bob.

**HESTON.**—On Sunday, January 1st, for morning service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Lewis 1, G. Gladman 2, C. Edwards 3, C. S. Bird (conductor) 4, H. Chandler 5, A. Harding 6, W. H. Hollier 7, A. Lewis 8.

**BATTERSEA.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, January 1st, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins.: Mrs. A. Clark (first quarter Stedman) 1, A. Clark 2, F. Mitchell 3, H. H. Mance 4, A. Newman 5, W. Essery 6, H. Mance (conductor) 7, T. Symons 8.

**LEISTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, January 1st, for morning service, 1,024 Cambridge Surprise Major: J. M. Bailey 1, A. Keeble 2, G. Wilson 3, J. C. G. Haggard (longest length in method) 4, C. F. Bailey 5, E. H. Bailey 6, C. Sampson 7, F. W. Bailey 8.—For evening service, 576 London Surprise Major: A. Keeble 1, G. Wilson 2, George Bailey 3, E. H. Bailey 4, E. S. Bailey 5, J. M. Bailey 6, F. W. Bailey 7, C. F. Bailey 8.

**THERAPSTON, NORTHANTS.**—On New Year's Day, for evening service, 1,024 Double Norwich, by G. H. Cross (taken from 'The Ringing World'): A. Bellamy 1, L. J. Wyman 2, C. Willson 3, D. Redhead 4, A. Willson 5, T. Willson 6, J. M. Nickerson 7, R. C. Love-day (conductor) 8.

**PONTFRAC, YORKS.**—On Sunday, January 1st, at the Parish Church, for evening service, 324 Stedman Caters: J. H. Lenton 1, A. Walker, senr., 2, W. Pearson 3, A. Walker, junr., 4, W. Hawley 5, T. Holder 6, H. Walters (conductor) 7, J. Jackson 8, J. Fryer 9, W. Senior 10.—Also a course of Bob Royal, with J. Carter for W. Senior.

**ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.**—At St. Denys' Church, on New Year's Day, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: S. Russel 1, W. Smith (first quarter of Triples) 2, E. Bishop, junr., 3, H. Hammond 4, E. Bishop, senr., 5, C. Brasier (conductor) 6, F. Hammond 7, W. Hammond 8.

**SITTINGBOURNE.**—On Sunday, January 1st, at St. Michael's, on the occasion of the dedication of the war memorial window, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes) of Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled: A. Burley 1, E. J. Bottle 2, W. Golding 3, H. E. Simpson (conductor) 4, W. Burley 5, E. Dobbie 6, S. Dobbie 7, S. Bottle 8.

**BEVERLEY.**—Yorkshire Association.—At the Minster, on Christmas Day, for early morning service, 420 Grandsire Triples: C. P. Bradley 1, J. Braithwaite 2, F. Osgerby 3, C. G. Constable 4, A. E. Sellers 5, W. Gibson (conductor) 6, J. E. Constable 7, G. M. Daggett 8.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes), in 55 mins.: A. Botham 1, C. F. Lawes (R.N.) 2, H. Ringrose 3, J. Braithwaite 4, F. Osgerby 5, C. P. Bradley (conductor) 6, A. E. Sellers 7, J. E. Constable 8, W. Middleton 9, G. M. Daggett 10.

**GREAT BENTLEY, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, December 25th, for the morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: P. Almond 1, J. Souter 2, C. Andrews 3, E. Eady 4, J. Bowell 5, W. J. Nevard (conductor) 6.

**NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT.**—On Sunday, December 25th, for Matins, 720 Plain Bob Minor: W. Johnson 1, W. Scott, senr., 3, J. Bacon 4, A. Callaway 5, W. Scott 6, W. Upton (conductor) 7, J. Leal 8. First 720 by local band.

**CHESHUNT, HERTS.**—On Christmas Day, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: D. Tucker 1, G. Andrews 2, W. G. Darlington 3, H. Warner 4, F. Jelf 5, G. Dille 6, G. Maxim (conductor) 7, R. Smith 8; and for evening service, a quarter-peal in same method, F. Jelf conductor.

**GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.**—On Christmas Day, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: F. Ball (conductor) 1, A. Ball 2, W. Hayo 3, J. Ball 4, J. B. Hudson 5, G. Blexley 6.—On Sunday, January 1st, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor: F. Ball (conductor) 1, A. Baxter 2, A. Ball 3, G. Roberts 4, J. B. Hudson 5, J. Ball 6.

**BALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Christmas Day, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr. (first quarter-peal) 1, F. W. Goodfellow 2, J. H. Hunnisett 3, P. E. Clark 4, E. J. Walsom 5, H. Belcher 6, L. H. Page (conductor) 7, F. S. Palmer, senr., 8.—For evening service, on Sunday, January 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: A. H. Fulwell (first quarter) 1, P. E. Clark 2, J. H. Hunnisett 3, H. Belcher 4, F. W. Goodfellow 5, L. H. Page 6, E. J. Walsom (conductor) 7, A. R. Macdonald 8.

**NUNBATON.**—On Christmas Day, for morning service, a course of Bristol Surprise, and two courses each of Double Norwich and Stedman Triples.—For evening service, a course of London and two courses of Cambridge Surprise.—On New Year's Day, for morning service, a course each of Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Stedman Triples, and for evening service, a course each of London, Bristol and Cambridge Surprise by the following members of the Parish Church band: H. D. Argyle, H. Argyle, J. Ballard, T. W. Chapman, J. F. Clarke, J. F. Clarke, junr., W. Horlon, E. Stone, W. Martin, E. Martin, A. Wilkerson and Miss P. Clarke.

**CIRENCESTER, GLOS.**—On Sunday, December 18th, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): J. Butler 1, J. E. Waters 2, W. G. Cook 3, W. O. Cuss (conductor) 4, F. J. Lewis 5, H. T. Gardner 6, H. C. Bond 7, J. Hayward 8.—On Christmas Day, at the Parish Church, on the back eight (tenor 29 cwt. in D), a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,344 changes), taken from Holt's Original: W. Curtis (Stafford) 1, F. J. Lewis (conductor) 2, Y. Bramble (Brighton) 3, A. Bond (Swindon) 4, S. R. Hicks 5, H. T. Gardner 6, H. C. Bond 7, J. Hayward 8.

**FULBOURN, CAMBS.**—On Sunday, December 18th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Major (1,280 changes), in 48 mins.: J. Stalley 1, J. Page 2, C. Hall 3, J. Giddens 4, C. E. Patten 5, A. Page 6, G. Bridge 7, B. D. Buttress (conductor) 8. Composed by J. Hunt.—On Sunday, January 1st, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: E. Webb 1, G. Bridge 2, C. Hall 3, A. Page 4, C. E. Patten 5, J. Page (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, January 8th, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor: J. Page 1, J. Nevington (first 720 of Minor) 2, J. Giddens 3, A. Page 4, C. E. Patten (conductor) 5, C. Hall 6.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes): J. Stalley 1, J. Page 2, C. Hall 3, J. Giddens 4, C. E. Patten (conductor) 5, A. Page 6, J. W. Ward 7, G. Bridge 8. Composed by H. Haigh.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

BRISTOL UNITED GUILDS' FIRST ANNUAL DINNER, Grand Hotel, Broad Street, Bristol, Feb. 18th, at 6.30 p.m.—Ringing from 3 p.m. Announcement later. Tickets 6/-, to be had from Bristol Branch and tower officials, or from Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankards' Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Standish on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—John Halsall, Branch Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Sonning Deanery Branch.—The Annual Meeting will be held at All Saints', Wokingham, on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Service at 4 p.m. Preacher: Rev. Canon G. F. Coleridge. Tea and Business Meeting following. Ringing at All Saints' and St. Paul's towers before service and after meeting.—F. Dentry, Branch Sec., Church Street, Twyford, Berks.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—S. and W. District.—A meeting will be held at Ohiswick on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4.45 p.m., and will arrange tea for 5.30. Welcome to all.—W. H. Høllier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas (12 bells) on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells ready at 5 p.m. Meeting at 7 o'clock. Subscriptions due. Reports ready.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Portsmouth District.—Annual meeting of above will be held at St. Thomas's, Portsmouth, on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells (8) 2.30 to 5, 7 to 8. Service at 5. Tea 5.45 at Smith & Vosper's, Castle Road, Southsea.—E. J. Harding, District Sec., 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Radstock on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Service 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., pro tem.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Wellingborough District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wellingborough on Saturday, Jan. 14th.—Bells available at 2.30. Service 4.30. Address by the Vicar. Tea 5 o'clock at Granville Hotel, 1/6 each.—F. Barber, School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Ordsall, Retford (6 bells) on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells available from 2 to 9 p.m. Tea will be provided at a reasonable price.—Members to advise Mr. D. A. Piercy, 60, Wharton Street, Retford.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—The annual district meeting for election of officers for 1922 will be held at Hinckley on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells available at 3.30.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Linton on Saturday, Jan. 14th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short service at 5 o'clock. Tea, provided by the Vicar, at 5.45; at the Vicarage.—Stephen Hayzelden, District Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practices: Mondays, at 7.30 p.m.: Bishopsgate, Jan. 16th; St. Clement's, 23rd. Sundays, at 10 a.m.: St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th. Annual General Meeting, Saturday, Feb. 11th. Full particulars later.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).—Annual meeting will be held at the St. Martin's Hotel, City, on Tuesday, Jan. 17th, 1922, at 7.30. Bells of St. Martin's available from 6 o'clock to 7.15.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—The subscription of 1s. 8d., which entitles members who have not made twenty attendances in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus on Jan. 19th and \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 24th, both at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Leicester District.—The annual meeting will be held on Friday, Jan. 20th, at St. Margaret's, Leicester. Ringing from 7.30 till 9 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—H. E. Norman, Dis. Sec., 52, Ivy Road, Leicester.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Annual District meeting will be held at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on Saturday, Jan. 21st. Ringing from 3.30 p.m. Service. Tea. Business (election of officers, etc.). Concert afterwards. Kindly notify me for tea by Jan. 17th. All members requested to attend.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Sec., 57, Market Street, W.2.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The annual meeting will be held at Doncaster St. George's, on Jan. 21st. Bells ready early. Committee meeting at 4.0. Service at 5.0. Address by the President, the Ven. Archdeacon Sandford, M.A. Tea at 5.30, tickets 1/6 each. Only those who notify me before the 17th can be provided with tea. Subscriptions for 1922 are due at this meeting. A good attendance is desired. All ringers and friends welcome.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Henthorne, Doncaster.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Church Kirk on Saturday, Jan. 21st, 1922. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—The district annual meeting will be held at Southgate on Saturday, Jan. 21st. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 5.30. Tea will be arranged at the Woolpack at 6 p.m. at a moderate charge, and I shall be glad to hear from all



who intend being present not later than the 18th inst. Will members please note that subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E. 17.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Presteign and Leominster District.—The annual meeting will be held at the Priory Church, Leominster, on Saturday, Jan. 21st. Bells (10) available 3.30. Service 5 p.m., with an address by the Vicar, Rev. R. Gillenders. Tea at Hill's, Draper's Lane, at 5.45 p.m.—A. Talbot, District Sec., Staunton-on-Arrow, Pembridge.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch. The next monthly meeting will be held at Newhey, on Saturday, Jan. 21st, 1922. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30. Subscriptions are now due.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 21st, at St. Luke's, Chelsea. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. Service, with an address by the Rector, at 6 p.m. Tea at 6.30 p.m. Business meeting to follow election of officers, &c. Tea at 1/6 per head. Will members requiring same kindly let me know by Jan. 16th.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W. 20.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The next Quarterly meeting of the Guild will be held at Erdington on Saturday, Jan. 21st next. The bells of the Parish Church will be available from 3 to 5 p.m.; those of the Abbey from 3 p.m. Bishop Ryder's (Birmingham) tower will also be open from 2 to 3 p.m. Short service in the Parish Church at 5 p.m., conducted by the President, Canon Back. Business meeting to follow. Will those requiring tea send word to Mr. B. Witchell, 58, New Street, Erdington, not later than Wednesday, 18th inst.? All ringers welcome.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Barnsley, on Saturday, Jan. 21st. A good attendance is earnestly desired. Tea 1/6 each.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Moulton on Saturday, Jan. 21st. Usual arrangements. Kindly let me know those requiring tea not later than Jan. 17th.—S. J. Lawrence, District Sec., 60, Harlestone Road, Northampton.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Mid-Devon Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Paignton on Jan. 21st. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m. All desiring tea please notify me by Tuesday, 17th inst. Subscriptions now due.—H. J. Hole, Hon. Sec., Tauntonia, Church Street, Paignton.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at St. Giles', Willenhall, Saturday, Jan. 21st. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, 1s. each, and meeting afterwards. Gentlemen invited.—Names to be sent in not later than Tuesday, Jan. 17th, to Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting will be on Saturday, Jan. 21st, at Bulwell and Basford, near Nottingham. Both towers will be open for ringing from 2 to 8 p.m. The committee meeting will be at 3.30, tea will be at 4.30, and general meeting to follow tea, in the Church Hall, Basford. Will those who intend to be present for tea (2/3 per head) kindly

notify the local Hon. Sec., Mr. T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts, not later than Tuesday, Jan. 17th. —A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**SALOP GUILD.**—Annual meeting on Jan. 28th at St. Chad's. Ringing. Service 5.30 p.m. Address by the President, the Archdeacon of Salop. Tea, 6.20 p.m., 1s. 6d., if ordered before 24th inst. from Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec., St. Alkmund's Vicarage. Meeting after tea.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION** (Western Branch).—A quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', Worcester, on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Service at 4.30 prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available before the meeting. St. Helen's afterwards. Tea will be provided. The Branch Sec. should be notified how many to expect by the Wednesday previous.—R. G. Knowles, Branch Sec., Madresfield, Malvern.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at St. John's, Lewisham, High Road, on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5.30 p.m. Tea to follow in St. John's Hall, 1s. per head. Those requiring same must send their names to me by Tuesday, Jan. 24th, at the latest. Subscriptions are now due, and should be paid at this meeting.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Annual General meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 28th, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields Church. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided in the Church House at 5.30 p.m., followed by business meeting.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7D, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Rd. N.7.

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Kidderminster on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4.30 p.m. Tea will be provided. Business meeting to follow. 1922 subscriptions are now due.—A. Davies, 29, Hampton Street, Netherton, Dudley.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the Association will be held at Pickering on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Bells (8) available from 11 a.m. Divine Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m. Preacher, Rev. E. Drage, M.A., Vicar of Pickering. Tea will be provided at 1/6 per head to all who notify Miss A. L. Henderson, Mayfield, Pickering, not later than Tuesday, Jan. 24th. The Annual Reports will be on sale at this meeting.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. General Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice:—St. Martin's, second Monday in the month, at 7.30 p.m.; Shoreditch, 3rd Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. Services, 2nd and 4th Sundays, 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7D, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Roll of Honour, etc., 20in. x 30in., 25/-; 24in. x 36in., 35/- each. Letters carved, 25/- per 100.—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottages, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Minor Method Ringer requires suitable SITUATION. Ex-service Student, Salford Royal Technical Institute (Textile Dept.) and Manchester High School of Commerce. Experienced in Cloth Construction, Analysis and Calculation. Practical Weaver on Northrop's. Know-



ledge of Book-keeping. Keen and reliable. Would instruct young band. Good refs.—John Fidler, 26, Grove Street, Hazel Grove, Cheshire.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

HANDBELL MUSIC. — For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

GRANDSIRE FOR BEGINNERS.—A concise explanation of the method in simple language, intended for those who find ordinary books of instruction too technical: 'Grandsire — Doubles and Triples—simply explained.' Price 6d. (post free 7d.) from T. Roe and M. Broome, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath.

#### OLD RINGING BOOKS.

WANTED, a copy of 'Campanologia Improved,' by J. D. and C. M. First edition, 1702. Also of the second edition, 1705. Also a copy of 'The School of Recreation,' 1684.—Rev. W. Pearson, Henley Vicarage, Ipswich.

#### DAVID BREARLEY MEMORIAL TABLET FUND.

Contributions: Ringers of Bolsterstone Parish Church, £13 5s.; ringers of St. Mary's, Bolsover, per J. Flint, 14s.; ringers of All Saints', Rotherham, per G. Ryder, 10s.; ringers of All Saints', Sheffield, per A. W. Gladstone, 5s.; Rev. C. C. Marshall, 5s.; A. Hague, 2s. 6d.; F. Clarke, 2s. 6d.; E. James, 2s. 6d.; W. Biggin, 1s.; E. Knight, 1s.; C. Haynes, 1s.; G. D. Potter, 2s. 6d.; G. Lewis, 2s.; H. Walker, 2s.; G. Halksworth, 2s.; F. Willey, 1s.; — Wooler, 2s. W. Hammond, 1s.; H. Haynes, 6d.; total, £16 2s. 6d. Expenditure: Postage, 3s. 6d.

The officers of the Southern Division of the Yorkshire Association sincerely thank all contributors for the spontaneous and hearty response to their appeal.

(Signed) FRANK WILLEY, Vice-President.  
GEORGE HALKSWORD, Ringing Master.  
FRED CLARKE, Secretary.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**  
LIMITED,  
**COVENTRY.**  
MAKERS SINCE 1730.

#### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.  
SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.

# Clewellins

## & James, Ltd.



### CHURCH BELLS SINGLY OR IN RINGS.

Bell Frames in Cast Iron, Steel  
and Oak.

Bells tuned on the latest improved principles initiated by the late Canon Simpson.

## CASTLE GREEN

## BRISTOL

# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

HOPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.  
GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.  
STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.  
STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.  
TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.  
PART II.—At present out of print.  
DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.  
All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS.

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s. d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ...	1 0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Bell Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2½ in.	3½ in.	3½ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	50/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
Silversmith,  
**WOKING**  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed, Hand-  
bells in sets, Chromatic or Diatonic.

### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

in Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 2171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 566. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### BRIGHTON AND ITS NEW GUILD.

The social side of ringing is, or should be, of great value in the promotion of the serious side of the art, and by many it is looked upon as an important adjunct to the activities of the belfry. The social intercourse which very frequently follows ringers' meetings—whether for business or for peals—has a great deal to do with that good fellowship which is the boast of our fraternity. There were days—happily long since past—when these social gatherings were not synonymous with the best interests of ringing or of ringers; when the conviviality was sometimes carried into the belfry and was one of the reasons which brought bell ringers into disrepute.

The ringers themselves in the last two generations have by their own standard of conduct and by their own exertions eliminated the causes and removed the reproach. The social side of ringing is to-day on a totally different plane and plays no inconsiderable part in helping to keep the wheels of our various organisations going. Anything which will help in this direction is to be welcomed and ringers will read with interest that a Social Guild has been formed in Brighton with the avowed object of fostering the spirit of brotherhood and good fellowship among ringers in that district. It is the outcome of a gathering of the St. Peter's Society, and if it is maintained in the spirit in which it is promoted, the results to Sussex ringing ought to be valuable. Sussex ringers especially will read with interest the speeches made at the initiation of the Guild, and if the newly-formed organisation can remove the "differences" to which reference was made there will be much ground for satisfaction.

Brighton, in the past, has made no little history in ringing. There are to-day, of course, young members of the Exercise who do not know what was done about a quarter of a century ago in that district, where St. Peter's was not only the centre of progress in the county but a point of attraction for ringers from all over the country. Among other things they made new Surprise methods a hobby—incidentally they rang the first peal of Bristol, among other methods—and many an enthusiast made his way to this South coast watering-place in his eagerness to score a Surprise peal—in those days not the common performance it has since become. Brighton, therefore, has a reputation which has been not unworthily maintained through a considerable number of years. And with the launching of the Social Guild may we not look for another step towards future advancement—the establishment of a probationers' class in Brighton's principal tower? It is, we believe, long since any young ringers learned the rudiments of the art in this centre of ringing, and the future may be fraught with danger if not provided for in the present.



# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tones so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 133, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN-THE-MARTYR,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES:

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

FREDERICK G. LEAKER ... .. Treble	ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. 6
WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. 2	WILLIAM KNIGHT ... .. 7
* WALLACE READ ... .. 3	THOMAS F. KING ... .. 8
* STANLEY BADMAN ... .. 4	WALTER FARLEY ... .. 9
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 5	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by THOMAS F. KING.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. A. Cave and a farewell to W. Read.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE PRO-CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. WOOLDS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES:

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.

REGINALD L. LEWIS ... .. Treble	HARRY WEST ... .. 6
JOHN BUTLER ... .. 2	JOHN W. JONES ... .. 7
* TOM J. BUTLER ... .. 3	WILLIAM PHILLIPS ... .. 8
FRED AZWELL ... .. 4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 9
CHARLES GREEDY ... .. 5	SEYMOUR R. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. T. ELSON.

Conducted by FRED CHAMBERLAIN.

\* First peal of Caters. Arranged specially and rung in honour of Dr. C. A. H. Green, who was enthroned in this church on the previous Tuesday as the first Bishop of the newly-formed Diocese of Monmouth, and also in honour of the Vicar of this church, the Venerable D. H. Griffiths, M.A., collated to the dignity and office of Archdeacon of Monmouth on the same day.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES:

GILBERT GUEST ... .. Treble	EDWIN J. TYLER ... .. 6
SAMUEL J. HUGHES ... .. 2	JOHN GOODMAN, JUN. ... .. 7
SAMUEL BAKER ... .. 3	ABRAHAM GREENFIELD ... .. 8
JOHN GOODMAN, SEN. ... .. 4	BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. 9
HERBERT SHEPPARD ... .. 5	WILLIAM MEEK ... .. Tenor

Composed by BERNARD JEALOUS. Conducted by JOHN GOODMAN, JUN.

This peal was rung in honour of the 68th birthday of Mr. John Goodman, sen. Also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. A. Greenfield, wife of the ringer of the 8th, and to Miss Tyler, only child of the ringer of the 6th.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.

On Saturday, Dec. 17, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES:

Tenor 17 cwt.

GEORGE HOLMES ... .. Treble	JOSEPH MORTON ... .. 5
HARRY GREAVES ... .. 2	* JOHN H. HUMPHRIES ... .. 6
GEORGE BURNHAM ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. NORTON ... .. 7
* CECIL BOOTH ... .. 4	JOHN THORPE ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by J. THORPE.

\* First peal. The ringers of the treble and tenor hail from St. Peter's Cathedral, Sheffield, 2nd, 3rd and 7th from Killamarsh, 4th, 5th and 6th are of the local company.

OXFORD.—At New College, on January 5th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,277 changes) by the following members of the Oxford Society: F. Macey 1, T. Payne 2, Mrs. A. E. Lock 3, F. Taylor 4, A. E. Lock 5, W. H. B. Wilkins 6, B. Bennett 7, G. Candwell 8, H. Miles (conductor) 9, R. Plaister 10. Rung after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal of Stedman Caters by the same band.



LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. Treble	FREDERICK BOREHAM ... .. 5
LAWRENCE POULSON ... .. 2	FREDERICK POULSON ... .. 6
FRANK TURNER ... .. 3	STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... .. 7
FREDERICK MORTLOCK ... .. 4	W. R. JOHN POULSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by B. FRANCIS. Conducted by W. R. J. POULSON.

Rung deeply muffled as a token of respect to George Lambert, Thomas Pryke and Charles Poulson, former ringers of the above tower, who lost their lives in the Great War March, 1916, June, 1917, and Oct., 1918, respectively. The ringers of 2nd, 6th and 8th are brothers of the last named.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 10 cwt.

*EDWARD LANKESTER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM E. JUDD ... .. 5
BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... .. 2	HARRY KILBY ... .. 6
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 3	FREDERICK H. CROOK ... .. 7
WALTER G. MATTHEWS ... .. 4	PERCY NORTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM C. JUDD.

\* First peal. Rung, with the bells half-muffled, for the Watch-night service.

HACKINGTON, CANTERBURY.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Stephen,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION. Tenor 11 cwt.

EDWIN G. BUESDEN ... .. Treble	HARRY PARKES ... .. 5
FRED G. BRETT ... .. 2	JACK WILLIS ... .. 6
REV. FRED J. O. HELMORE ... .. 3	GEORGE JENKINS ... .. 7
CHARLES W. BRETT ... .. 4	HARRISON SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. JENKINS.

First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the wife of the ringer of the 6th, who very kindly entertained the band to a sumptuous tea afterwards at 'Ye Olde Beverlie' Inn.

BISHOPSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb.

OWEN H. GILES ... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. RODGERS ... .. 5
REGINALD BROWN ... .. 2	D. CECIL WILLIAMS ... .. 6
*GEORGE PULLINGER ... .. 3	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 7
WALTER G. ROWE ... .. 4	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by GEO. WILLIAMS.

\* First peal on eight bells. The greatest credit is due to the ringer of the 4th for the accurate way he rang his bell throughout. He has only one arm, having lost his right arm in Mesopotamia during the war.

COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

*WALTER S. CRAWFORD ... Treble	ALBERT WOODVINE ... .. 5
*ALFRED S. BAYLEY ... .. 2	WALTER LAGO ... .. 6
*JOSEPH HANLEY ... .. 3	LEONARD G. HEWITT ... .. 7
WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 4	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by L. G. HEWITT.

\* First peal of Major. First peal as conductor. The above composition was sent by Mr. John Carter on Dec. 20th, 1921, as an Xmas greeting to the Coalbrookdale ringers, it being his wish that the same should be rung on Coalbrookdale bells. The 4th, 5th or 6th bells are in 6th's place every course end with the tenors at home.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S No. 1. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ALBERT H. WARD ... .. Treble	NEVIL H. WIDDOWSON ... .. 5
ALAN R. HICKTON ... .. 2	CHARLES GEARY ... .. 6
W. R. DRAGE ... .. 3	JOSEPH BAILEY ... .. 7
CHARLES DRAPER ... .. 4	THOMAS HUTCHINSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

PULFORD, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.

*WILLIAM JONES ... .. Treble	ARTHUR NEWELL ... .. 5
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 2	JAMES SWINDLEY ... .. 6
GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 3	PERCY SMITH ... .. 7
JOHN HAYES ... .. 4	HENRY W. WILDE ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. HOPGOOD.

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal in the method. C.C.C. No. 32.

DARTFORD, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION. Tenor 18 cwt.

*HARRY RAYNER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM HARPER ... .. 5
EDWARD G. BATES ... .. 2	HERBERT E. ADDSLEY ... .. 6
RICHARD MORGAN ... .. 3	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... .. 7
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 4	HENRY SIMMONS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

\* First peal of Stedman.

BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Jan. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Luke,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM LYDDIARD ... .. Treble	JOHN LYDDIARD ... .. 5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 2	ROBERT RICHARDSON ... .. 6
GEORGE DURLING ... .. 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 7
ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... .. 4	HENRY J. TINNAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

Rupert Richardson was proposed a member of the Kent Association previous to the attempt.

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Jan. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... Treble	SERG. JAMES BENNETT, R.M. 5
GEORGE BENNETT ... .. 2	GEORGE FARNISH ... .. 6
GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3	T. WILLIAM LAM ... .. 7
ALBERT FLEMING ... .. 4	ERNEST E. LANHAM ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by T. W. LAST.

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

WILLIAM BACON ... .. Treble	HENRY T. WILSON ... .. 5
GORDON A. BACON ... .. 2	SYDNEY W. CORDEN ... .. 6
WILLIAM BEDWELL ... .. 3	GEORGE E. WILSON ... .. 7
WILLIAM DOWSETT ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. JUDD ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by W. H. JUDD.

Rung to celebrate the conferring of the honour of Knighthood upon His Worship the Mayor of Southend-on-Sea (Alderman John Francis), who is a greatly respected warden of St. Mary's.

**CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION**  
 (SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24½ cwt.

BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... .. Treble	FREDERICK E. SMITH ... .. 5
ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 2	A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... .. 6
*REV. J. F. AMIES ... .. 3	FRANK JACOBS ... .. 7
GEORGE A. THOMPSON ... .. 4	WALTER ALLWOOD ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by B. A. KNIGHTS.

\* First peal.

**STANFORD-ON-SOAR, NOTTS.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

On Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM THORLEY ... .. Treble	HARRY WHITTLE ... .. 5
†JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 2	WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 6
JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 3	EDWARD READER ... .. 7
†RICHARD PAINE ... .. 4	*CHRISTOPHER MARRIOTT ... Tenor

Conducted by E. READER.

\* First peal in any method. † First peal of Stedman. J. Oldham has now rung each bell in this tower to a peal.

**LEWISHAM.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

HARRY WARNETT, SEN. ... Treble	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 5
JOHN J. LAMB ... .. 2	*HARRY WARNETT, JUN. ... 6
WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... 3	ISAAC EMERY ... .. 7
WALTER SMITH ... .. 4	HERBERT G. GOODWIN ... Tenor

Conducted by ISAAC EMERY.

\* First peal of Stedman.

**NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.**

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
 (NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOSEPH FAULKNER ... .. Treble	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 5
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 2	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. 6
JOHN BASS ... .. 3	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 7
*WILLIAM DAVIES ... .. 4	HARRY HUBBALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED DAVIES.

\* First peal and first attempt. W. Short's 700th peal.

**STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

CHARLES H. BRIGGS ... .. Treble	SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 5
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 2	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 6
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 3	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... 7
ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... Tenor

Composed by the late C. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

Rung with the bells half-muffled on the anniversary of the dedication of the village War Memorial. First peal of New Cambridge in the county and by all the band.

**NEATH, SOUTH WALES.**—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 57 mins., on December 31st, with the bells half-muffled: A. F. Hatton 1, J. Hammond 2, H. Boyce (conductor) 3, R. Ellis 4, A. Hatton 5, W. Hopkins (first quarter-peal) 6.

**PORTSEA, HAMPSHIRE.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.

*JOSIAH D. HARRIS ... .. Treble	PERCIVAL W. CAVE ... .. 5
FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 2	*ALFRED MEARS ... .. 6
EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 3	*EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... 7
*D. CECIL WILLIAMS ... .. 4	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by G. WILLIAMS.

\* First peal in the method. First peal of Cambridge in Portsmouth.

**DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

*BERNARD ALLSOP ... .. Treble	ARTHUR BRAINES ... .. 5
KENNETH G. SHELTON ... 2	FRED W. HILL ... .. 6
ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... .. 3	ALEX. HUTCHISON ... .. 7
ALBERT H. WARD ... .. 4	*WILLIAM TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by FRED W. HILL.

\* First Surprise peal.

**BRISTOL.**

**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

On Monday, Jan. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JACOB,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLLIS' ONE PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

*F. BLACKMORE ... .. Treble	*J. JEFFRIES ... .. 5
S. M. BADMAN ... .. 2	*W. HUNTER ... .. 6
W. F. READ ... .. 3	F. G. LEAKER ... .. 7
E. DIBBEN ... .. 4	*A. DURBIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. G. LEAKER.

\* First peal. The ringer of the 5th bells from Mangotsfield, the remainder are city men. Rung as a farewell peal to the ringer of the 3rd, who is leaving Bristol for Kelham Theological College.

**DEANE, BOLTON, LANCs.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

(BOLTON BRANCH.)

On Monday, Jan. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

FRED ABBOT ... .. Treble	PETER CROOK ... .. 5
TITUS BARLOW, JUN. ... 2	RICHARD P. HEALD ... .. 6
TITUS BARLOW ... .. 3	THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... 7
ERNEST CUTSFORTH ... 4	JOSEPH GREGORY ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by THOMAS B. WORSLEY.

**BOLSTERSTONE, YORKS.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
 (SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, Jan. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF COLLEGE SINGLE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

LEONARD SHAW ... .. Treble	ARCHIE BREARLEY ... .. 5
J. ALBERT HELLIWELL ... 2	WILLIAM HARRISON ... .. 6
SAMUEL HARRISON ... .. 3	JAMES H. CHARLESWORTH ... 7
*WILLIAM A. WOOLER ... 4	JOHN R. BREARLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOHN R. BREARLEY.

\* First peal. Contains the full combination of 4-5-6 in 5-6 and is now rung for the first time. Rung as a memorial to the Rev. John Bell, a former incumbent of the parish, to whose memory the bells were dedicated, on the anniversary of his death.

**BEESTON, NOTTS.**—On Monday, January 9th, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major (1,280 changes), by: W. Clifford, junr., 1, A. Coppock (conductor) 2, W. Clifford, senr., 3, A. B. Moss 4, J. C. Dicken 5, W. Jones 6, A. Lowe 7, P. Price 8.—On January 2nd, 224 each of Superlative, Norfolk and London Surprise Major.

**EALING.**—For morning service, on Jan. 15th, at Christ Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: H. Harding 1, G. H. Harbour 2, E. J. Walsom 3, H. E. Good 4, W. Lawrence 5, H. P. James (conductor) 6, W. H. Hollier 7, A. Harding 8.

**SIX BELL PEALS.****PETERBOROUGH.****THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.***On Thursday, Dec. 29, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,****A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Court, Oxford Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and two 720's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 24 lb.

JOHN J. JUTSON ... .. Treble	† ANNIE M. DALE ... .. 4
† ELSIE B. BRANDON ... .. 2	FRANK ROWLINSON ... .. 5
PHYLLIS HARE ... .. 3	* TOM TEBBUTT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.

\* 50th peal. † First peal in six methods.

**BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.****THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Friday, Dec. 30, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,***AT THE PARISH CHURCH,****A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, two 720's of Canterbury Pleasure and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lb.

JOHN J. BEVAN ... .. Treble	JAMES BLAKE ... .. 4
JOHN CLARK ... .. 2	ROBERT E. SUMMERS ... .. 5
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM POSTON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to Mrs. Armitage, of Dadnor House, who was interred on this date.

**THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.****THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,****A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of London, Wells, Durham, York, Ipswich, Cambridge and Norwich Surprise.

EDWARD YOUNGS ... .. Treble	ALPHAUS J. BERRY ... .. 4
WILLIAM CLOVER ... .. 2	WILLIAM ROSE ... .. 5
GEORGE BROWN, JUN. ... .. 3	GEORGE CATTERMORE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. CATTERMORE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled to the memory of the late Julian Clifford.

**MONTFORD, SALOP.***On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,****A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores each called differently, taken from Snowdon's Work. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

JAMES E. LILLEY ... .. Treble	REGINALD POLE ... .. 4
* JOHN PREECE ... .. 2	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 5
* WILLIAM BROUGHALL ... .. 3	* JOSEPH ROBERTS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES E. LILLEY.

First peal as conductor and first attempt. He is the youngest ringer to call a peal in Shropshire. The 1st, 4th and 5th hail from St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, 2nd, 3rd and 6th from St. Chad's, Montford.  
\* First peal.**THORNTON CURTIS, LINCOLNSHIRE.****THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,****A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 18½ cwt.

SAMUEL WOOD ... .. Treble	* GEORGE ATKINSON ... .. 4
ARTHUR W. HOODLESS ... .. 2	JOSEPH ATKINSON ... .. 5
WALTER AYRE ... .. 3	WALTER GODDARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal away from the treble. Rung as a birthday compliment Mr. C. Taylor, Grimsby, and as a farewell to the conductor, who is leaving the county for Hertfordshire.

**CHURCHKIRK.****THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION***On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,****A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

TOM STANCLIFFE ... .. Treble	FRED CHAMBERS ... .. 4
* WILLIAM AARON ... .. 2	LEONARD ROSTRON ... .. 5
FRED HOLLEN ... .. 3	LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by L. J. WILLIAMS.

\* First peal.

**LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.****THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,****A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Beverley, London, Wells, York, Lincoln, Durham and Ipswich. Tenor 14 cwt.

PHILIP A. AVEY ... .. Treble	GEORGE DAWSON ... .. 4
GEORGE L. JOYCE ... .. 2	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
ALFRED PRIOR ... .. 3	EDWARD D. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM MILLER.

Rung with the bells muffled for the watch-night service.

**DENVER, NORFOLK.****THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,****A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb. in A flat.

WALLACE COUSINS ... .. Treble	GRAHAM SPRATT ... .. 4
ALFRED BACON ... .. 2	CLAUDE COUSINS ... .. 5
LEE FEATHERBY ... .. 3	TONY PRICE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

**NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.****THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

*On Monday, Jan. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,***AT THE PARISH CHURCH,****A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Neasden, Wragby, College Bob IV., with 720 (spliced) Sandal and London Scholars. Tenor 9 cwt.

REV. A. T. BEESTON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM FERNLEY ... .. 4
JOHN P. FIDLER ... .. 2	JAMES FERNLEY ... .. 5
GEORGE HILL ... .. 3	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT Tenor

Conducted by JAMES FERNLEY.

Arranged for Messrs. G. Hill (Hoylandswaine) and W. W. Wolstencroft (Ashton). First peal of Minor for tenor ringer.

**STAPLEFORD, CAMBS.****THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,****A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and four 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 7 cwt.

CHARLES JENNINGS ... .. Treble	* HARRY HARVEY ... .. 4
ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... .. 2	WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... .. 5
THOMAS P. FINCH ... .. 3	EDWARD FINCH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

\* First peal. The conductor is a member of the Cambridge University Guild; the remainder are members of the local company.

**PRISTON, SOMERSET.****THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,****A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven different 720's. Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM ROSEWELL ... .. Treble	ARTHUR K. HARRISON ... .. 4
GERALD GRIFFIN ... .. 2	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN ... .. 5
GILBERT DANDO ... .. 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

HIGH LITTLETON, SOMERSET.  
**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven different 720's. Tenor 7 cwt.

*WILLIAM ROSEWELL... .. Treble	ARTHUR K. HARRISON ... 4
*GERALD GRIFFIN ... .. 2	*THOMAS M. GRIFFIN... .. 5
*GILBERT DANDO ... .. 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

\* First peal of Minor. † Re-elected a member before starting.  
 First peal of Minor on the bells. The ringer of the 2nd is 14 years 5 months old.

WALPOLE ST. ANDREW, NORFOLK.  
**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in F.

GEORGE DUFFIELD ... .. Treble	RALPH NARBOROUGH ... .. 4
*JOHN RODWELL, JUN. ... .. 2	TONY PRICE ... .. 5
CLAUDE COUSINS ... .. 3	WALTER FREEMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

\* First peal. Quickest peal on the bells.

BOSBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Sunday, Jan. 8, 1922, in Three Hours,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure & Plain Bob. Tenor 18 cwt.

CHRIS BOWERS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 4
DAVID HORNE ... .. 2	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 5
E. WILLIAM TURNER ... .. 3	GEORGE JORDAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. CAMM.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

BIRMINGHAM.  
**THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**

*On Thursday, Dec. 29, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,*  
 IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFERY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 1-2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 5-6
ALBERT WALKER... .. 3-4	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 7-8
JOHN NEAL ... .. 9-10	

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by A. WALKER.  
 Referees: MORRIS J. MORRIS and H. J. SPENCER.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.  
**THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Dec. 31, 1921, in Two Hours & Nineteen-and-a-half Minutes,*  
 AT THE RECTORY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

CECIL CHAPMAN ... .. 1-2	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. 5-6
WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... .. 3-4	DAVID J. NICHOLS ... .. 7-8

Composed by DR. A. B. CARPENTER. Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

First peal of Double Norwich in hand for the Association and by ringers of 1-2 and 7-8.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Monday, Jan. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,*  
 IN THE BELFERY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 17 in A.

JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 1-2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5-6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 3-4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 7-8
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 9-10	

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.  
 Witnesses: C. SAMPSON and H. PEARSON.

MONKSEATON, NORTHUMBERLAND.  
**THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,*  
 AT THE NORTH FARM,

**A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB ROYAL, 5008 CHANCES;**

Tenor size 18 in G.

EDWIN H. LEWIS... .. 1-2	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 5-6
WILLIAM H. BARBER... .. 3-4	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 7-8
R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 9-10	

Composed by E. H. LEWIS. Conducted by W. H. BARBER.

First peal of Royal in this method by the Association, and by all the band except E. H. Lewis, it being his first on handbells. First peal on the bells, which are a new peal by Mears & Stainbank, and give entire satisfaction.

CAMBRIDGE.  
**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
 (THE SOCIETY OF CAMBRIDGE YOUTHS.)

*On Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,*  
 IN TRINITY COLLEGE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

*YORK GREEN ... .. 1-2	WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... .. 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHVEY... .. 3-4	T. REGINALD DENNIS... .. 7-8

Composed by E. M. ATKINS. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

\* First peal in hand away from the tenors. This is the first handbell peal by a resident band of Cambridge Youths.

CAMBRIDGE.  
**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Thursday, Jan. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Sixteen Minutes,*  
 IN TRINITY COLLEGE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 1-2	WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... .. 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHVEY ... .. 3-4	ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... .. 7-8

Composed by BENJAMIN ANNABLE. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.  
 Composition No. 74, C.C.C.

CAMBRIDGE.  
**THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.**  
*On Tuesday, Jan. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,*  
 IN TRINITY COLLEGE,

**A PEAL OF NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES;**

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHVEY (Trin.) 1-2	W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 5-6
REV. E. BANKES JAMES (Caius) 3-4	REV. H. LAW JAMES (Caius) 7-8

Composed by JAMES HUNT. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.  
 This is the first peal ever rung in this method. See Shipway, page 68. For composition see C.C.C. (Part 3), No. 162.

**KENT RINGERS AT HARRIETSHAM.**

On Saturday, January 7th, several members of the Kent County Association from the Weald of Kent paid a visit to Harrietsham by the kind invitation of Mr. O. Hodges, who has recently taken up his residence there at the Bell Inn. Unfortunately the weather put on its most wintry aspect, and prevented some of the less ardent ones from putting in an appearance, although one of the members was plucky enough to cycle twelve miles out and home, in spite of the snow. The rest took advantage of trains and motors. Touches of Grandsire Triples and several 120's of Grandsire Doubles were rung during the afternoon, and local men rang the cover bells to the Doubles. Ringing, however, is not altogether a pleasure on these bells, as they are badly in need of the services of the bell hanger.

Mr. and Mrs. Hodges had provided a most excellent ringers' tea for their guests, numbering about 20, and the meal was made all the more enjoyable by the kind attentions of the ladies, who looked after the wants of the party. A very pleasant evening was afterwards spent with tunes and changes on the handbells, and songs, and cigars.

We understand that the question of repairs to the bells is being taken up by the church authorities.

**DEATH OF MR. F. G. PERRIN.**

The death took place on December 30th, of Mr. Frederick George Perrin, of Walworth, London, at the age of 62 years, after several weeks' illness.

The deceased was well known in the London towers, and also in the counties surrounding the Metropolis. He had rung a considerable number of peals.

The funeral took place on January 4th, at Nunhead Cemetery.



### CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL'S VETERAN. —HALF A CENTURY OF RINGING.

To have been present in the belfry of Canterbury Cathedral on New Year's Eve for 50 years without a single miss, and assisted in ringing in the New Year, is the remarkable record of Mr. A. A. Andrews, who, although not given to boasting, is naturally proud of his life achievement. Mr. Andrews is a native of Canterbury, having been born in St. Dunstan's parish on May 24th, 1851, and he has resided at his present address 48 years. He first visited the Canterbury Cathedral belfry to learn ringing in 1865, was made a full member of the company in 1869, and to-day is the only member living of that band of 1869. He has thus been actually connected with the Cathedral ringers for over 56 years, and he has held the secretaryship for 40 years. During his career he has rung for the enthronement of four Archbishops—Tait, Benson, Temple and Davidson—and he has also served under four Deans—Alford, Payne Smith, Farrar and Waco. He has taken part in 26 peals, including four of Stedman Caters, 17 Stedman Triples, five Grandsire Triples, his first peal being Holt's ten-part at St. Stephen's Church, Canterbury, in November, 1883. During the half century he has rung in most of the church towers in Kent. He joined the Ancient Society of College Youths in January, 1885.

Mr. Andrews holds another record of long service, having resigned this year from the St. Dunstan's Church Choir, after a membership of 60 years.

#### PRESENTATION TO MR. ANDREWS.

The half-yearly meeting of the Cathedral company was held last week at Sergeant's Restaurant. The business included the passing of the accounts and the election of officers for the year, which included the following re-elections: The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore (president), Mr. H. G. Fairham (treasurer), and Mr. A. A. Andrews (secretary).

The business over, the members sat down to a repast, followed by a pleasant social evening, under the chairmanship of the president. During the evening, the Chairman, in felicitous terms, referred to the remarkable fact that Mr. A. A. Andrews had just completed half a century of 'ringing in the New Year' on the Cathedral bells without a single break. The company, therefore, felt they would like to mark such an exceptional record by one of their band by making him a small present to show their appreciation of his past services, and the manner in which he had always carried them out. The chairman then handed to Mr. Andrews a handsome sugar and cream stand, and at the same time tendered to him their hearty good wishes.

Mr. Andrews, in acknowledging the gift, said it had come to him as a complete surprise. It was correct that he had completed his 50 years, and he had been their secretary just on 40 years. What he had done for the Cathedral company was, after all, no more than his duty, and it gave him the greatest pleasure to see that the company was progressing as it was. When he was a young man he had an old company to work with; they rang only three courses of Grandsire Triples, and they were always called by one man, so that he had no chance to advance into further methods. In the last 30 years, however, standard methods had come to the front with the young band, and he must say that the Stedman Caters with which the company rang in this New Year was one of the best touches he had heard for a very long time. He thanked them for all their kindness, and hoped they would be spared to meet another year.

### NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR.

#### THE FIRST PEAL.

The first peal of Norwich Court Bob Major was rung on January 10th by the Cambridge University Guild on handbells. A footnote to the peal says, 'See Shipway, page 68.' Not all of our readers have a Shipway to which they can turn, and for their convenience we quote page 68 of 'Campanologia,' and give the figures of a lead of Norwich Court Bob Major.

The Norwich Court Bob system is very much admired,' says Shipway, 'and is undoubtedly a most excellent composition, though altogether too intricate for common practice, especially the double method, which can be rung only by persons of the greatest experience in the art. Court Bob was, in its commencement, practised in its double state, in the original on six bells, whereby the places are made double, or following each other immediately. In this system, therefore, it seems to have been the endeavour of the composer to have the dodging and places as in the six bell method; but this is impossible on eight, nine and twelve bells, as it is only to be had on ten and eleven; besides, it makes more places than the six bells authorise. Had it been pricked in its single state, the difficulty would have been solved immediately; but on the whole it is admirably contrived and keeps the large bells together in a manner equal to that of the author's system.'

Then follow the figures of the single method on 8, 9 and 10 bells, and the method of ringing it.

## JOHN TAYLOR & Co., LOUGHBOROUGH.

## THE LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,  
32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**  
In Sets of any number.

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

We understand that the ever-popular Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner, organised annually by the St. Martin's Guild, will be held in Birmingham on Saturday, Feb. 25th. The Guild is to be congratulated on again having secured the beautiful cedar-paneled Connaught Room at the Imperial Hotel for the gathering.

On January 21st, 1898, a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal, claimed to be the first in the method, was rung at Cheltenham. Possibly it may have been the first true peal, but we believe a peal of 5,400 Cambridge Royal was rung at Wakefield in 1822. We should be glad to have authentic information on this matter.

This reminds us that it is recorded that on Feb. 18th, 1822, a peal of New Cambridge Surprise (as we now know it) was rung at Huddersfield, although the Burton men claim that their peal on April 20th, 1837, was the first. If this point, also, can be settled, and settled in favour of Huddersfield, there ought to be some centenary peals rung next month.

January 21st, 1788, was the day on which 6,600 of Bob Maximus was rung at Great St. Mary's, Cambridge.

The peal of Grandsire Caters at St. Stephen's, Bristol, on January 7th, served a double purpose. It was a birthday peal for Mr. W. A. Cave, and a farewell to Mr. Wallace Read, who is leaving Bristol to take up a course of study at Kellam Theological College. Mr. Read learnt his ringing at St. Thomas's, under the tuition of Mr. F. G. Leaker, and has shown keen interest in the Gloucester and Bristol Association by regularly attending the meetings. This was his first peal, and it was also the first peal by Mr. S. Badman, one of the St. Nicholas' band, who learnt his ringing under the late Mr. R. J. Wilkins. The valuable work which the latter did at St. Nicholas' is being carried on by Mr. Leaker, himself an old St. Nicholas' 'boy.'

Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, is very busy among the bells in Kent. At present the peal of five at Smarden is being turned into a ring of six, and being hung in a new frame. Benenden bells are then to be taken in hand. They are to be rehung and quarter turned.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The annual meeting, 1922, will be held on Whit-Tuesday, June 6th, at Lincoln. Further and full particulars of this will be announced later. Notice of motions should be sent to the hon. secretary before May 6th, in order that they may appear upon the agenda.

Secretaries of the affiliated Guilds and Associations are reminded that the subscription for 1922 is now due, and should be sent to the hon. secretary, Mr. E. Alexr. Young, 155, Rushey Green, Catford, S.E.6.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

### NORTH-EAST DISTRICT AT WIVENHOE.

The annual meeting of the North-East District of the Essex Association was held at Wivenhoe on Saturday, January 7th. The proceedings commenced with festal evensong. The full surpliced choir of men and boys were present, and the Association's special form of service was used. In the absence of the Rector (the Rev. J. R. Sinclair Carolin), who was seriously ill, and has since passed away, the Rev. A. O. Lukyn-Williams, Vicar of Elmstead Market, officiated, and gave a very impressive address.

A bountiful meat tea was provided in the Club Room, followed by the business meeting, at which Mr. C. E. Gooch, J.P., of Wivenhoe Park, presided, supported by the churchwardens. Forty members were present from Colchester, Mistley, Langham, Great Bentley, Thorington, Great Bromley, Edmonton, and Braintree, with the local ringers, who have recently taken up change ringing.

Mr. W. J. Nevard, Great Bentley, was re-elected District Master, and Mr. R. W. Stannard, of Colchester, was elected district secretary, in place of Mr. H. T. Pye, Colchester, who resigned owing to pressure of business. Mr. Pye was thanked for his past services.

Twelve new members were elected, including the whole of the newly-formed Wivenhoe band.

After the toast of 'The King,' the Chairman gave a hearty welcome to the visiting ringers.—Mr. C. H. Howard, Master of the Association, in replying, explained the objects of the Association, and thanked Mr. Gooch and friends for their generosity in providing such a sumptuous tea, and Mr. Douce for the excellent arrangements he had made.

During the afternoon some excellent touches of London Surprise, Double Court, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob were rung, including a well-struck 720 Cambridge Surprise: G. W. Moss 1, C. H. Howard (conductor) 2, O. Andrewes 3, J. Bowell 4, W. J. Hazell 5, W. J. Nevard 6. Several courses of Plain Bob, in which members of the local band took part, were also accomplished.

Despite the unfavourable weather, this was the most enthusiastic and successful meeting held in this district for some time past, some members travelling several miles in sleet and rain in order to be present at the first official visit of the Association to Wivenhoe.

**A RINGERS' SOCIAL GUILD.****BRIGHTON'S LEAD.**

Although unquestionably the spirit of brotherhood prevails, in general, within the tower, yet too often this precious element is found wanting apart from the belfry; and it would appear that, in many cases, if the strengthening of this bond could be specially catered for, an all-round benefit to the ringing would result.

It being resolved to submit this theory to a practical test, a social evening, in the shape of a dinner and 'smoker,' was arranged among the Brighton (St. Peter's) and visiting ringers, and held on Tuesday, January 10th, at the house of one of the band. In the absence of the Master of the County Association, (Mr. J. T. Rickman, who sent a last-minute message that he could not be present), Mr. Edward Merritt, being the senior member of the band, was unanimously elected to the chair for the evening.

At the close of an enjoyable dinner, the Chairman proposed 'The King,' which was loyally honoured; and then called upon Mr. A. York-Bramble, who gave the only other toast—that of 'The St. Peter's Society.' In so doing, the speaker remarked that that was the very first dinner of its kind held for Brighton ringers. He sincerely hoped it would not be the last; in fact, he was looking to great developments from the small beginning, for he desired that a 'Christmas' dinner should be perpetuated as an annual function in Brighton. Unfortunately, he said, there appeared to be a lack of cohesion amongst the ringers of Brighton and district, and he felt convinced that something definite must be done with the object of bringing into personal contact all those in the district who were then, or who had been, interested in ringing—even though they had ceased to visit a tower! He proceeded to outline certain proposals for the attainment of that end. A Social Guild should be inaugurated, the main object of which should be to foster a spirit of good fellowship amongst all ringing men. Only indirectly should it concern itself with the actual ringing. They had their County Association for the advancement of the art itself. The efforts of the Association, however, did not appear to be directed towards the composing of 'differences' between certain of its members; did not, in fact, accomplish much towards the removal of the not-altogether-pleasant element of tower opposition. Friendly rivalry promoted the art, but not the kind of rivalry to which he referred. Such a Guild should not only call all together on neutral ground, as it were, but should, also, actually promote the work of the Association—for example, by making certain stipulations as to qualification for membership of the Guild. Further, the activities of the organisation should be freely advertised in the Notices Column of 'The Ringing World,' and reported in its pages; and here again good should result, if these things led, as they should, towards a wider support of the paper. He asked for their earnest consideration of these suggestions, and begged leave to move later on, a formal proposition embodying them. 'Meanwhile,' he concluded, 'Here's lasting success to the St. Peter's Society. May the bells never lack ropes, and the ropes good ringers to pull 'em!'

The toast was received with acclamation, and was responded to by the 'Father' of the Society, Mr. Merritt, who gave a most interesting account of its history, from its comparatively early days in the '90's, when ringers came from the Metropolis, and from all parts of the country, to get a pull in the Surprise methods. He concluded by expressing his approval of the suggestions made by Mr. Bramble, as to a Social Guild.

Mr. Keith Hart endorsed the chairman's remarks. The St. Peter's Society, he said, stood for all that was best in ringing. Visitors were always sure of a hearty welcome, and only two things were expected of them; to exercise care in the striking, and to exhibit a manly spirit—a spirit of give-and-take.

Mr. York-Bramble then formally moved: 'That a society be here and now founded for the purpose of fostering the spirit of brotherhood and good fellowship amongst the ringers of Brighton and district; principally by means of organised social meetings, with an annual Christmas dinner; that it shall be called the Brighton and District Ringers' Social Guild; that membership be open (by means of simple registration) to all Sussex County Association resident members who have rung at least one peal in the Association; and that the following officials (few as possible until a more general election could take place) should be elected—president, hon. general secretary, and one other; these to form a committee of organisation.'

The motion was seconded by Mr. W. C. Hart, and carried unanimously.

Mr. Keith Hart then proposed 'that Mr. Edward Merritt be elected as first President of the newly-founded Guild, Mr. A. York-Bramble as hon. secretary, and Mr. A. D. Stone as the third member of the Organising Committee.'

This was seconded by Mr. John Capp, and carried unanimously.

The committee propose to make an early announcement as to the first of the periodical social meetings of the Guild; and hope that, in the meantime, intending members will indicate their desire to enrol by sending to the hon. secretary of the Guild at Addison

Lodge, Montefiore Road, Hove, a postcard giving name and permanent address.

The business at the dinner-table having been concluded, the party adjourned to another room, where a rollicking three hours' of music and humour launched the new-born Guild with much success.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.****WORK OF THE IPSWICH BRANCH.**

In spite of the inclement weather, a most successful meeting of the Ipswich Branch of the above Association was held at Halesworth on Saturday, January 7th, eleven towers being represented. The bells of the Parish Church were at the disposal of the members, and were well utilised.

The Rev. H. C. Newberry, M.A., Rector of Halesworth, presided at the business meeting, supported by Capt. A. E. Reeves (Holton), Messrs. J. Howard (Halesworth), W. Last (Sibton), F. W. Naunton (Wrentham), and E. Evans (Ipswich, branch secretary).—The Rector gave the ringers a hearty welcome, assuring them it was a pleasure to have them there at any time they decided to meet there.—The Secretary read a report on the work of the branch during 1921, in the course of which he said the past year had been one of increased activity in the work of the Association, viz., the promotion of the art of change ringing. This was shown in the number of peals scored in the higher methods, whilst that branch of church work, the ringing of bells for Sunday services, had not been neglected. General meetings of the branch had been confined to the last annual meeting held at Ipswich on Easter Monday, and a joint meeting of the branches held at Lowestoft on August 1st (postponed from Whit-Monday owing to disorganised train service, through the Coal Dispute). District meetings and meetings for combined practice had been held at Grundisburgh, Wickham Market, Ufford, Otley, Wenham, Aldeburgh, Beccles, Bungay, Stonham Aspal, Gratfield, Kelsale, Peasenhall, Wrentham, Worlingworth and Eye. The number of peals rung by members of the branch, and published in 'The Ringing World' to December 30th, 1921, was 135. Especially noticeable among the performances were peals of Cambridge Surprise and Double Norwich on 8, 10 and 12 bells by the St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich, Norfolk, Suffolk and Yorkshire Surprise by the Leiston company, double-handed peals of Stedman Cinques and Caters by those gifted men, the brothers Bailey, of Leiston, and a peal of Surprise Minor by the Thornham company. The peals at six bell towers showed that those members, whose chances on higher numbers were few, did not intend to be left behind in placing five thousands to their credit. A rough estimate of the finances showed an expenditure of £17 17s. in excess of income, but as there were subscriptions still to come in, the General Secretary hoped this would be balanced without drawing on the reserve fund.

The officers were re-elected en bloc, on the proposition of Mr. J. Howard, seconded by Mr. J. O'Neill, and the following new members were elected: Hon. member, Rev. H. C. Newberry; ringing members, Messrs. Bowman, Hardwick, Moss, Rodwell, Sewell (Bramford) and Kidby (Tuddenham); probationers, Messrs. Garrod, Marjoram, Simpson and Wright (Tuddenham).

The election of Mr. H. Day as secretary for the Eye district, was confirmed, and Mr. W. Kerrison was elected secretary for the Halesworth district, vice Mr. F. Lambert.

Mr. O'Neill proposed that appreciation of the good work carried on by Mr. Lambert as secretary of the Halesworth district for 28 years be recorded. This was supported by the Rev. Newberry, who spoke of the help he had received in various ways from Mr. Lambert.

Votes of thanks to the Rector for presiding and for the use of the bells, and to Mr. J. Howard for the preliminary arrangements ended a most pleasant meeting, and the ringers returned to the tower.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****SOUTH AND WEST DISTRICT.**

The meeting of the South and West District, held at Chiswick on January 14th, was a decided success, for no less than forty-two ringers attended from Acton, Battersea, Chiswick, Clapham, Croydon, Fulham, Heston, Hammersmith, Isleworth, Kensington, Leatherhead, St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Staines, South Hackney, Walthamstow, Willesden Westminster Abbey, and West Ealing. The tower of St. John's, Hillingdon, was represented by an enthusiastic member, who was the only lady ringer present.

Prior to the tea, a service was held, at which the Vicar of Chiswick (the Rev. R. W. Townsend) officiated, and gave a most suitable address, several well-known hymns were heartily sung, and Mr. W. Lawrence presided at the organ.

At the close of the tea, business was discussed, and some new members were enrolled from Staines and the local tower. It is pleasing to add that the Vicar joined as a 'ringing member.' It was a great treat to experience the joviality of the Vicar, who, during the tea, kept up a continual flow of good humour, and both the District Master (Mr. C. S. Bird) and the hon. secretary (Mr. W. H. Hollier), who were seated near him, will, with the others of the company, not easily forget the merry time that was spent.



# GILLET & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## CANADIAN CARILLON CAST AT CROYDON. SEVENTEEN TONS OF BELLS.

On Thursday of last week there was another royal visit to the Croydon Bell Foundry, the Princess Beatrice and the Duchess of Albany, and a distinguished company, including the High Commissioner of Canada, accepting the invitation of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston to inspect a remarkable carillon that is about to be sent to Toronto, and to hear a recital on these bells by Mr. Cyril Johnston.

The twenty-three bells of the carillon, weighing seventeen tons and ranging from the tenor of four tons to the little treble of a hundred-weight and a half, are controlled by a keyboard, which actuates their clappers or hammers. The tunes may be performed automatically by electric power in combination with a perforated paper band, like that of the pianola, or by human agency through a keyboard.

Mr. Johnston's recital included such familiar hymns and airs as 'Abide with me,' the 'March of the Men of Harlech,' 'I'll sing thee songs of Araby,' 'The Maple Leaf for ever,' and the British National Anthem, and were listened to with interest and appreciation.

The Royal visitors witnessed the process of casting bells, a glowing stream of copper and tin alloy being poured into the moulds, there to remain until cold. After this interesting spectacle Sir George Perley, the High Commissioner, expressed the gratification that would be felt by the citizens of Toronto at the send-off that had been given to their carillon by Princess Beatrice and the Duchess of Albany. It would, he said, convey a message of goodwill from the Old Country. He mentioned that he would cross the Atlantic on the same steamer as the bells, and that they were the gift of Mr. Chester D. Massey to the Metropolitan Church of the city in memory of his wife.

## FALSE COMPOSITIONS.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—As you have been good enough to offer your columns to enable Associations to advise members of the Exercise of the existence of false compositions in their respective reports, I herewith send you a complete list of such compositions, so far as I know of them, in the reports of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild. I trust that holders of these reports will be good enough to mark the compositions in question, so that they are not rung again.

Peal No. 40, Page 51 of 2nd Report, 5,060 Stedman Caters by J. P. Bradley.

Peal No. 113, Page 63 of 4th Report, 5,002 Stedman Caters by G. Lindoff.

Peal No. 323, Page 77 of 6th Report, 5,088 Superlative by G. Lindoff.

Peal No. 357, Page 82 of 6th Report, 5,088 Superlative by G. Lindoff.

Peal No. 370, Page 85 of 6th Report, 5,088 Superlative by G. Lindoff.

Peal No. 394, Page 73 of 7th Report, 5,043 Stedman Caters by C. Charge.

Peal No. 1,125, Page 102 of 15th Report, 5,088 Bristol Surprise Major by A. Knights, is false, as shown. The 11th course should read

B W H  
— 2 2

which is true, and runs to the correct number of changes.

If Associations generally would advise the Exercise of such errors in their reports, I think a great deal of good would result, as there is no doubt at all that compositions in these reports are often used again.—Yours faithfully,

C. T. COLES,

Joint Hon. Sec., Mr. C.A. and L.D.G.

49, Wood Street, E.17.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—I think the ringing community at large owe you a debt of gratitude (if nothing more than that) for trying to stave off the publication and ringing of false peals. Why should not a composer of a peal be compelled, when sending forth a new peal, to add the words 'proved' or 'not proved,' as the case may be? In my opinion the composer and nobody else is the one responsible for the truth of a peal. With regard to touches, false touches are often rung, and a conductor knows them to be false, but calls them for the music they contain in a given number, as well as to fill up a required time.—Yours truly,

JOHN BEAMS.

We are afraid that even the label suggested above would not always be a safeguard, for sometimes a most competent composer will go laboriously through a peal, and, by overlooking some small point, quite unintentionally pass on to a conductor figures which are false. The process of independent checking is what is necessary.—Ed. 'R.W.'

## SUSSEX LOSES TWO VETERANS.

GEORGE GATLAND AND THOMAS LINDFIELD.

We much regret to record the death of Mr. George Gatland, of Steyning, Sussex, who passed away at the age of 73 years, on Tuesday, January 10th, and was buried on Friday last. By his death, Sussex loses one of its foundation members.

'To know George Gatland was not only to respect, but to love him,' writes a correspondent. 'I met him first in his own belfry at Steyning, where the squat tower scarce reaches above the pointed roof of the church. A stranger always found a welcome from him, the hand of fellowship was always held out to the visitor. He took a keen pride in maintaining the bells in a high state of mechanical efficiency. He was a good steady ringer; had served a fruitful apprenticeship on six bells, and could always be relied upon when it came to ringing the standard methods on eight. He did not pretend to greatness, although he scored a considerable number of peals, but his retiring disposition and genial nature endeared him to all. Twenty to twenty-five years ago I used to meet him a good deal, mostly on peal ringing occasions. Things did not always go well, but I never recollect once seeing George Gatland's temper ruffled, whatever the trouble or whoever else got upset. I remember him as one of the band who rang the first "George" peal of Stedman, more than a quarter of a century ago, and he must have been the oldest of the party. Of late years, although as regular as ever in his attendance in the belfry, his name has been seen much less in peal records. He has gone to his rest, but we who knew him will remember his tall, patriarchal figure, and cherish happy memories of his friendship.'

The deceased had held the position of captain, steepkeeper, vergor, and parish clerk for 47 years, and had been a member of the Sussex Association since its formation. He took part in several peals, and took his share in teaching others to ring. During the late war he helped to teach a band of ladies, and kept the bells going for the Sunday services.

The last peal he took part in was on September 3rd last. The band had met one short, and he was asked to make up the party. Although in failing health he took the place of the absent one. For the first hour he thought he should have to give up, but the ringing, he afterwards said, was so good throughout the peal that at the finish he felt much better, and he thought he should soon be all right again. This, however, was his last peal, and a few weeks after it became necessary for him to undergo an X-ray examination, the result of which proved that he was suffering from an incurable disease, to which, despite unremitting care, he at length succumbed.

The funeral took place on Friday, January 13th. The Vicar (the Rev. E. W. Cox) officiated, and the bearers were four of the local band of ringers: Messrs. J. Matthews, H. Phillips, H. J. Green and R. Charman. The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. A. Gatland, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. W. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gatland, Mr. H. Gatland, Mrs. Gullen, Mr. and Mrs. G. Gatland, Mr. and Mrs. H. Gatland (brother and sister-in-law), and Miss Doris Gatland (grand-daughter). The members of the local band, with Messrs. J. Smart, C. Tyler (Henfield), W. Markwell (Henfield), R. Strudwick (St. Peter's, Brighton) and T. Searle also attended.

The choir was present, and a large congregation. The hymn, 'Let Saints on earth in concert sing,' and the Nunc Dimittis were rendered with solemnity, immediately after which a touch of Stedman Triples was rung, with the bells fully muffled, by: E. Bristow, J. Smart, J. Matthews, W. Markwell, G. Phillips, R. Strudwick, C. Tyler (conductor), R. Charman. The church officers present were: Messrs. C. Brown, F. Duke, F. Gratwick, and E. Holmes (sideman), Mr. C. Marshall (lay reader), and Mr. H. J. Burt (late churchwarden), Miss Turner (Sunday School), Mr. J. Kibblewhite (headmaster of C. of E. Elementary School), the Rev. E. T. Lea, M.A. (headmaster of Steyning Grammar School), Mrs. Congreve Pridgeon, Mrs. Cecil Horne, Mr. Percy Breach, Mr. Robert Breach, Mr. C. Fowler, Mr. C. Woolgar, Mr. W. W. Rapley, Mr. Walter Hills, with members of the C.E.M.S., the local troop of Boy Scouts, under Scoutmaster C. W. Catt, and others, showing the wide respect in which the deceased was held.

Another old Sussex ringer has passed away, in the person of Mr. Thomas Lindfield, who, after a short illness, died on January 12th, and was buried on Sunday last. He had been a member of the Sussex Association between 30 and 40 years, and at one time was well known in connection with the Angmering company, when that little company made a name for themselves in the Exercise as a 6-bell band, and could ring Surprise Minor methods almost as easily as shelling the proverbial peas. The men who formed the company are one by one slipping away, and those who are left to us are getting into 'the sera and yellow leaf.' Some of us, however, remember them as pioneers of change ringing in Sussex, and know the debt which the Association owed to them in the early days of its existence for the promotion of the art in that part of the county.

Touches of Grandsire and Treble Bob were rung with the bells half-muffled, after the funeral, as a last tribute of respect.

# A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**WEST BROMWICH.**—On Sunday, January 15th, for morning service, at the Parish Church of All Saints, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: A. S. Leach (first in the method) 1. T. Taylor 2. F. C. Bendall 3. W. D. Peart 4. W. C. Reynolds 5. E. Pagett 6. A. Mills (conductor) 7. D. Jones 8.

**BIDDENDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, January 15th for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins., as follows: H. Baker 1, C. Tribe 2, E. Parsons 3, G. Sims 4, L. Honess 5, R. Burgess 6, H. Parkes 7, H. Want 8. Conducted by H. Parkes. First quarter-peal by ringers of 1, 3, 4, 6, 8.

**FULHAM.**—On Sunday evening, January 15th, for service at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,293 changes), in 52 minutes: A. Cutmore 1, W. H. Wood 2, W. H. Hollier 3, W. Lawrence 4, W. Judd 5, P. E. Clark 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, G. Iles 8, A. Harding 9, Geo. F. Edwards 10.

**ACTON.**—On January 15th, at St. Mary's Church, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from 'Holt's Original,' in 44 mins., by: A. H. Fulwell 1, Robt. Fardon (conductor) 2, H. Wincote 3, \*A. M. Stacey 4, Robt. Holloway 5, L. H. Page 6, F. W. Goodfellow 7, O. Brown 8. \* First quarter-peal inside, and first attempt. Ringers of 1, 4, 6 and 7 are from South Ealing, the rest are local.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, January 15th, at St. Magnus', City, 1,080 Cambridge Surprise Royal: W. Alps 1, J. A. Trollope 2, A. James 3, F. G. Symonds 4, E. Pike 5, R. Grimwood 6, W. Hewett 7, J. E. Davis (conductor) 8, W. Nudds 9, R. Saunders 10.—Also two courses Stedman Caters.

**ECKINGTON, DERBY.**—On Sunday, January 8th, for evening service, 768 Kent Treble Bob Major: A. Tomlinson 1, B. Ditcher 2, G. Noden 3, J. Humphries 4, J. Morton (conductor) 5, W. Ashman 6, P. Jervis 7, C. Booth 8.

**STANTON, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Sunday, January 8th, for evening service, 720 Doubles, consisting of 120 changes each of Canterbury Pleasure, Stedman and Plain Bob, and 360 changes of Grandsire: S. France 1, R. Turner (first on a bob bell) 2, E. V. Rodenhurst 3, W. Lycett 4, W. Clay (first 720 as conductor) 5, T. Lycett (first 720) 6. All are members of the local band, except the ringer of the 3rd.

**GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX.**—On Sunday morning, January 8th, for the morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise: P. Almond 1, J. Bowell 2, C. Andrews 3, W. J. Hazell 4, W. Burgess 5, W. J. Nevard (conductor) 6.—After service, 720 Plain Bob (containing 28 bobs, 2 singles): P. Almond 1, J. Bowell 2, C. Andrews 3, W. J. Nevard 4, W. Burgess (conductor) 5, W. J. Hazell 6.

**GRIMSBY.**—At St. Andrew's, on Sunday, January 8th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, for evening service, in 42 minutes: T. Fitzjohn (late of Thetford), first quarter in the method, 1, F. Overton 2, J. B. Budd 3, S. Bromfield 4, F. Metcalfe 5, E. Brown 6, R. S. Long (conductor) 7, E. Moffin 8.

**CROYDON, SURREY.**—On Sunday, January 8th, at St. Peter's Church, for Matins, 406 Stedman Caters: C. Dean (conductor) 1, J. Sparrow 2, D. Wright 3, Miss E. Parker 4, R. Brough 5, W. Bullpitt 6, G. Burt 7, S. Roper 8, G. Fletcher 9, C. Kitching 10.—For evening song, 1,260 Stedman Triples, in 46 mins.: C. Dean 1, Miss E. K. Parker (conductor) 2, W. Bullpitt 3, J. Sparrow 4, D. Wright 5, R. Brough 6, G. Fletcher 7, G. Burt 8.

**NORTHAMPTON.**—At the Church of St. Peter, on Sunday, January 8th, for evening service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples by: J. Wilkins 1, \*R. B. Bailey 2, W. H. Austin 3, W. J. Dove 4, W. R. Parker (conductor) 5, W. Sturgess 6, F. Hopper 7, \*S. Foskett. \* First quarter-peal of Grandsire.

**THERINGTON, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, January 8th, for afternoon service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob, by: P. Almond 1, W. J. Hazell 2, G. Andrews 3, J. Bowell 4, W. Burgess 5, W. J. Nevard (conductor) 6. W. J. Hazell hails from London; W. Burgess from Alresford, Essex.

**OLD BRADWELL, BUCKS.**—At the Parish Church of St. Lawrence, at 8 a.m. on New Year's morning, 720 Grandsire Doubles: R. Spire 1, E. Whitlock 2, C. Alderman 3, F. Bird 4, T. Walters 5, T. Bird 6. Rung as a compliment to the tenor ringer, whose first 'peal' this was as a change ringer.

**BLEWBURY, BERKS.**—On Sunday, January 1st, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): B. Corderoy 1, R. Prior 2, J. Butler 3, A. H. Webb 4, W. B. Webb 5, G. F. James (conductor) 6, T. Busby 7, R. Aldridge 8.

**BRAINTREE.**—For the early celebration at the Parish Church, on the Feast of the Nativity, 768 Oxford Treble Bob Major: H. Coote 1, W. J. Sadler 2, H. E. Hammond 3, W. G. Melbourne 4, W. H. Dysan 5, F. Ely 6, C. H. Howard (conductor) 7, G. Lindridge 8.

**SWAINSWICK.**—On Jan. 1st, at the Parish Church, on the occasion of the unveiling of the war memorial by the Provost of Oriel, a muffled quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung by the following members of the local company: A. Clark 1, W. Starr (conductor) 2, W. Clark 3, Miss A. E. Watson 4, E. Bath 5, E. Clark 6. Amongst the names on the memorial are those of W. White, a former member of the local company, and three brothers of Miss A. E. Watson.

**MIDDLETON, LANCS.**—On January 1st, for Divine service during the day, 335 Grandsire Triples, 84 Stedman Triples, 576 Treble Bob Major, 352 Plain Bob Major, the ringers taking part being F. Berry, Wm. Berry, Jas. Jacques, T. K. Driver, S. Holt, T. A. Ogden, Wm. Hardman, Tom Wellens, D. Renshaw.

## USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

### FIVE TOUCHES OF 360 STEDMAN TRIPLES.

2314567	
34512	2 3 5 6 7 8 9 10 12
34512	2 3 6 9 12
34512	3 6 9 11
34512	1 3 4 5 6 7 8 10 11
34512	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 10

Each to be four times repeated. Can be bobbed home true from any course end.

W. WALMSLEY.

### 1,260 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

234567	
453267	2 3S
536274	2 3
326574	2 3
256374	2 3

Five times repeated.

HENRY JOHNSON.

### 608 DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

23456	1 5 6
34256	—
42356	—
32654	—
28354	—
83254	—
23456	—

F. W. ROGERS.

### 1,922 BOB MAJOR.

12345678	W	B	M	H
21436587				
12435678				
24563		1		1
52346	—	—		8
53426	—			2
25136	—			6
34256	—			13
23456				1

6 Homes have S at 3rd and 6th call.

W. BERRY.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

**SHEFFIELD.**—At the Cathedral, on January 12th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 47 mins.: G. Holmes 1, R. Harrison 2, F. Ward 3, W. Chown 4, H. Thorpe 5, H. Naylor (first quarter-peal) 6, J. Thorpe (conductor) 7, G. Harrison 8.

**CREWE.**—At Christ Church, on Tuesday, January 10th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor, in 25 mins.: H. Overton 1, H. Holding 2, R. D. Langford 3, J. H. Riding 4, A. Crawley 5, R. T. Holding (conductor) 6. First by all the band, and the first on the bells; also the first in the Crewe branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild.

**NEWBURY.**—On Tuesday, December 27th, at St. Nicholas' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: C. Pool 1, E. W. Smith 2, S. Quinton 3, H. W. Curtis 4, W. A. Dormer 5, R. N. Runham 6, A. W. Osborne (conductor) 7, E. Challis 8. Rung after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal. This promising band are to be congratulated on their striking. It is a pity they are so far away from Reading, as the benefit they would enjoy from the help of a few first-class change ringers on their practice nights is out of the question. They have only to continue to pull together with their worthy captain, Mr. S. Quinton, and success will be theirs in the future.



## NOTICES.

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, **COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.**

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**BRISTOL UNITED GUILD' FIRST ANNUAL DINNER**, Grand Hotel, Broad Street, Bristol, Feb. 18th, at 6.30 p.m.—Ringing from 3 p.m. Announcement later. Tickets 6/-, to be had from Bristol Branch and tower officials, or from Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankards' Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Annual District meeting will be held at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on Saturday, Jan. 21st. Ringing from 3.30 p.m. Service. Tea. Business (election of officers, etc.). Concert afterwards. All members requested to attend.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Sec., 57, Market Street, W.2.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The annual meeting will be held at Doncaster St. George's, on Jan. 21st. Bells ready early. Committee meeting at 4.0. Service at 5.0. Address by the President, the Ven. Archdeacon Sandford, M.A. Tea at 5.30, tickets 1/6 each. Subscriptions for 1922 are due at this meeting. A good attendance is desired. All ringers and friends welcome.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Henthorpe, Doncaster.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Church Kirk on Saturday, Jan. 21st, 1922. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—The district annual meeting will be held at Southgate on Saturday, Jan. 21st. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 5.30. Tea will be arranged at the Woolpack at 6 p.m. at a moderate charge. Will members please note that subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E. 17.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Presteign and Leominster District.—The annual meeting will be held at the Priory Church, Leominster, on Saturday, Jan. 21st. Bells (10) available 3.30. Service 5 p.m., with an address by the Vicar, Rev. R. Gillenders. Tea at Hill's, Draper's Lane, at 5.45 p.m.—A. Talbot, District Sec., Staunton-on-Arrow, Pembroge.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Newhey, on Saturday, Jan. 21st, 1922. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30. Subscriptions are now due.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 21st, at St. Luke's, Chelsea. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. Service, with an address by the Rector, at 6 p.m. Tea at 6.30 p.m. Business meeting to follow election of officers, &c. Tea at 1/6 per head.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W. 20.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The next Quarterly meeting of the Guild will be held at Erdington on Saturday, Jan. 21st next. The bells of the Parish Church will be available from 3 to 5 p.m.; those of the Abbey from 3 p.m. Bishop Ryder's (Birmingham) tower will also be open from 2 to 3 p.m. Short service in the Parish Church at 5 p.m., conducted by the President, Canon Back. Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Barnsley, on Saturday, Jan. 21st. A good attendance is earnestly desired. Tea 1/6 each.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Moulton on Saturday, Jan. 21st. Usual arrangements.—S. J. Lawrence, District Sec., 60, Harlestone Road, Northampton.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Mid-Devon Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Paignton on Jan. 21st. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m. Subscriptions now due.—H. J. Hole, Hon. Sec., Tauntonia, Church Street, Paignton.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at St. Giles', Willenhall, Saturday, Jan. 21st. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, 1s. each, and meeting afterwards. Gentlemen invited.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE' YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—The subscription of 1s. 8d., which entitles members who have not made twenty attendances in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meeting for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 24th, at 7.30 p.m. Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cirencester Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at South Cerney, on Thursday, Jan. 26th. Bells (6) open from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at Eliot Arms 5.15. All ringers welcome. Those requiring tea please notify me by 23rd.—F. J. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., 67, Chester Street, Cirencester.

**SALOP GUILD.**—Annual meeting on Jan. 28th at St. Chad's. Ringing. Service 5.30 p.m. Address by the President, the Archdeacon of Salop. Tea, 6.20 p.m., 1s. 6d., if ordered before 24th inst. from Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec., St. Alkmund's Vicarage. Meeting after tea.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION** (Western Branch).—A quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', Worcester, on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Service at 4.30 prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available before the meeting. St. Helen's afterwards. Tea will be provided. The Branch Sec. should be notified how many to expect by the Wednesday previous.—R. G. Knowles, Branch Sec., Madresfield, Malvern.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at St. John's, Lewisham, High Road, on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5.30 p.m. Tea to follow in St. John's Hall, 1s. per head. Those requiring same must send their names to me by Tuesday, Jan. 24th, at the latest. Subscriptions are now due, and should be

paid at this meeting.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Kidderminster on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Bells available from 2 to 3.30 p.m. Then assemble in Broad Street Schools for handbell ringing, tea and meeting. Free tea at 4.30 p.m. Service in church at 5.30 p.m. Bells available again from 6 to 9 p.m. 1922 subscriptions now due.—A. Davies, 29, Hampton Street, Netherton, Dudley.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 28th, at the Church of St. James, Whitfield (Glossop). Tower open 3.30. Business meeting 7.—Chas. Bower, Hon. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Derby District.—The annual meeting of the above district will be held at Derby on Jan. 28th. The bells of St. Alkmund's will be available from 3 till 8 p.m. Meeting to take place at 6 p.m.—A. Braines, 94, Chester Green Road, Derby.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Long Ashton on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Bells available 2.30. Service 4. Tea and business meeting at the Church House at 5. Those requiring tea please notify by 24th.—Percy G. Yeo, Long Ashton, near Bristol.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Ely.—A district meeting will be held at Stetchworth, about three miles from Newmarket, on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Tea and meeting at the White Horse, Stetchworth, at 5 o'clock. Three five-bell towers will be available for ringing: Woodditton 3 to 4.30, Stetchworth and Dullingham after tea.—A. E. Austin, Dis. Sec., 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Hereford on Saturday, Jan. 28th. St. Nicholas (6 bells) 3 to 4.30 p.m. All Saints (8) 3 to 5 p.m. Cathedral (10) 7.30 to 9 p.m. Meet west door 7.15. Service All Saints' 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5.45, Spread Eagle Hotel. Tea 1/- each, notify not later than Jan. 24th.—C. Edwards, Gt. Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next annual meeting will be held at Weston-super-Mare on Saturday, the 28th inst. Service 5.30. Tea and meeting after service. Bells (8) afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, 35, Oxford Street, Burnham-on-Sea.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Annual General meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 28th, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields Church. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided in the Church House at 5.30 p.m., followed by business meeting.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7D, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Rd. N.7.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the Association will be held at Pickering on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Bells (8) available from 11 a.m. Divine Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m. Preacher, Rev. E. Drage, M.A., Vicar of Pickering. Tea will be provided at 1/6 per head to all who notify Miss A. L. Henderson, Mayfield, Pickering, not later than Tuesday, Jan. 24th. The Annual Reports will be on sale at this meeting.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. General Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham district.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Nottingham, on Saturday, Jan. 28th, for the

election of officers for the ensuing year. Ringing from 4.30 to 8 p.m.—Meeting 6 p.m. All ringers welcome.—T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

**HERTS ASSOCIATION.**—Watford district.—A meeting will be held at Rickmansworth on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Bells open at 3.30. Tea at 5 p.m., at Mrs. Barrett's, Church Street. Service at 6 p.m. Those intending to be present will greatly oblige by notifying me.—H. Eden, Hon. Sec., 11, Pinner Road, Watford.

**SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting for the whole Diocese will be held in St. Mary-le-Tower Church House, on Saturday, Feb. 4th, at 3.30 p.m., when the Bishop has promised to preside. Bells available from 2 p.m., at St. Mary-le-Tower, St. Margaret's, St. Clement's, and St. Matthew's. All Suffolk ringers are invited to this meeting (the first general one) so that any opinion may be expressed before the organisation is finally settled.—H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Mitcham on Saturday, Feb. 4th, 1922. The bells at Christ Church (6) and the Parish Church (8) will be open for ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 5 at the Parish Church. Tea at 5.45, followed by business meeting. Members intending to be present at tea are specially asked to notify Mr. J. A. Lambert, 6, Pincott Road, Merton, S.W. 19, not later than Wednesday, 1st Feb. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Warminster, on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Great Waltham on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Club Room at 5 o'clock. Buses leave Chelmsford Station 2.15 and 3.20 p.m., returning from Great Waltham 7.15 and 9.18 p.m. Will all members intending to be present please notify me on or before Wednesday, Feb. 1st.—P. Timson, Dis. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays, at 7.30 p.m.: St. Clement's, 23rd. Sundays, at 10 a.m.: St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th. Annual General Meeting, Saturday, Feb. 11th. Full particulars later.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice:—St. Martin's, second Monday in the month, at 7.30 p.m.; Shoreditch, 3rd Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. Services, 2nd and 4th Sundays, 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7D, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Roll of Honour, etc., 20in. x 30in., 25/-; 24in. x 36in., 35/- each. Letters carved, 25/- per 100.—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottages, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Minor Method Ringer requires suitable SITUATION. Ex-service Student, Salford Royal Technical Institute (Textile Dept.) and Manchester High School of Commerce. Experienced in Cloth Construction, Analysis and

Calculation. Practical Weaver on Northrop's. Knowledge of Book-keeping. Keen and reliable. Would instruct young band. Good refs.—John Fidler, 26, Grove Street, Hazel Grove, Cheshire.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

HANDBELL MUSIC. — For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

#### METHODS STILL UNNAMED.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Method No. 33 on page 29 has been claimed as 'Leytonstone Delight,' having been rung on the evening of December 19th.

The following is a list of methods to which at present no claim has been made so far as I am aware: Page 6, No. 18, 18; Page 7, No. 20, 21, 22, 27; Page 11, No. 16; Page 12, No. 17, 20; Page 13, No. 21, 22, 23, 24; Page 14, No. 1, 2; Page 19, No. 22; Page 21, No. 3, 4; Page 22, No. 5, 6, 7; Page 23, No. 9; Page 26, No. 21, 23, 24; Page 28, No. 32. So get busy, you six bell hands!—Yours truly,  
CYRIL W. O. JENKYN.

#### A DATE TOUCH.

A date touch of Bob Major (1,922 changes) was rung at Middleton Parish Church on January 9th, in 1 hr. and 9 mins.: J. Hollows 1, Miss Emma Tonge 2, W. Berry (composer and conductor) 3, T. K. Driver 4, J. Jacques 5, T. A. Ogden 6, P. Berry 7, T. Wellens 8.

## ALFRED BOWELL, CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES

JOHN ASTLEY & SONS

LIMITED,

COVENTRY.

MAKERS SINCE 1730.

#### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.  
SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.

## Clewellins

## & James, Ltd.,



### CHURCH BELLS SINGLY OR IN RINGS.

Bell Frames in Cast Iron, Steel  
and Oak.

Bells tuned on the latest improved principles initiated by the late Canon Simpson.

CASTLE GREEN

BRISTOL



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section III (Double Norwich) ...	1	0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3¼ in.	3½ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed, Hand-  
bells in sets, Chromatic or Diatonic.

### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

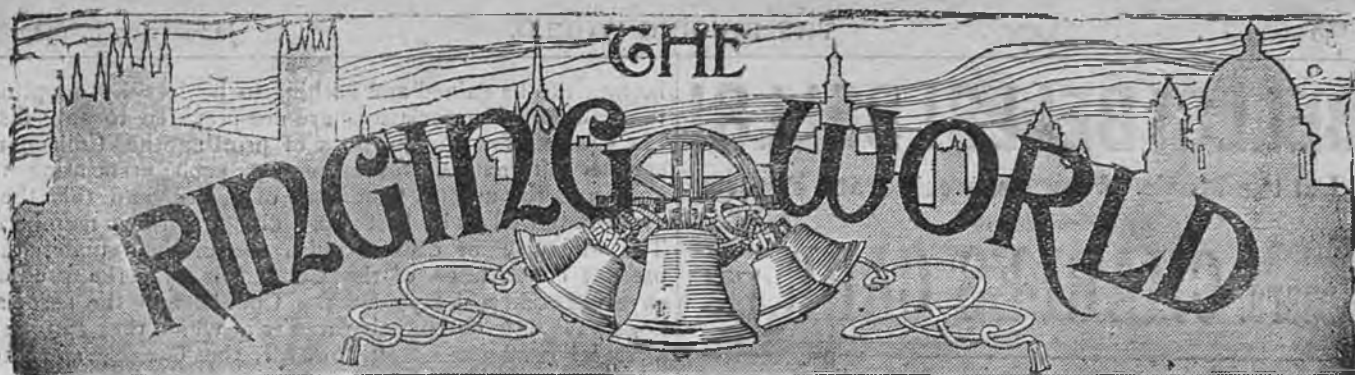
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 567. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

### CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

## BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### THE COUNCIL AND THEIR PUBLICATIONS.

It would be for the good of the Exercise if more Associations would follow the example frequently set by Lancashire and discuss at their meetings matters outside their purely domestic affairs. The Manchester branch, for instance, has just debated the question of the publication of the Major Methods Collection, which the Central Council have had to hold up for want of funds, the present enhanced cost of production being such that to print the work would absorb all their reserve and put the publication of any other work out of question for many years to come. The Rev. A. T. Beeston put forward a suggestion that the work should be subsidised by the associations, but this met with opposition and we gather from the report that the general feeling was that the Council should publish the works at such a price as would recoup them for the outlay.

The Council, it is certain, would welcome expressions of opinion on matters such as this, if only the associations would have sufficient initiative and interest to discuss them. The associations exist to promote the art of ringing, and what could be better calculated to promote this end than the publication of a volume of new methods? The first portion of the Collection—the Minor Methods—has been responsible for a great advance in Minor ringing, and, as a criterion, ought to convince everyone that a collection of Major Methods would still further advance ringing practice. The financial difficulty, however, not only holds up the publication of the volume of Plain Methods that is ready for the Press, but subsequent volumes of Treble Bob and Surprise Methods, which the Committee are not very inclined to proceed with until they can see some chance of the work they have already done reaching the hands of the ringers.

Unfortunately, it is not merely a question of charging a sufficient price for the publication to cover the cost of production—that, we take it, would be done in any event unless the Council is to establish itself as a philanthropic body—but the difficulty is to find the capital which must necessarily be locked up in stock, or else, for the time being, cripple further work. We suggested, after the last meeting of the Council, one way out of the difficulty, and that was to publish the Collection in small sections, making one pay, more or less, for the next. This has more than one advantage. A section of, say, a hundred methods would be something for the Exercise to go on with; it would be as many as the average band would want at one time and, pending the printing of the next section, the cost would be almost certain to come down. Thus there would

(Continued on page 50.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 155, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

be much to be gained and nothing to be lost by adopting this course. If associations are not prepared to subsidise the Council for the purpose of printing the Collection, another alternative would be for each association to guarantee to purchase a number of copies, and this they could very well do by first approaching their own members. The difficulty of dealing with associations under the present constitution of the Council is that the process involves endless delays, for the Council and the associations have only one meeting a year at which they can pass financial resolutions. If, however, the Council were to take their courage in both hands and put the matter into the charge of one energetic business man with some knowledge of sales organisation, we believe they would get over all their difficulties and quickly see their money back.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

BECCKLES, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

ROBERT HARDY ... ..	Treble	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... ..	6
GEORGE H. CROSS ... ..	2	GEORGE MAYERS... ..	7
EDWIN R. GOATE... ..	3	BEN S. THOMPSON ... ..	8
ARTHUR WEBBER... ..	4	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... ..	9
CLAYTON PARNELL ... ..	5	FREDK. R. BORRETT ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

LLANDAFF.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt. in E flat.

JOHN W. JONES ... ..	Treble	JOHN BUTLER ... ..	6
FRED ATWELL ... ..	2	SIDNEY DAWE ... ..	7
WILLIAM B. BISS ... ..	3	WILLIAM BOLTON ... ..	8
FRANK J. BAILEY... ..	4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... ..	9
HARRY PAGE ... ..	5	SEYMOUR R. BARKER ... ..	Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by FRED CHAMBERLAIN.

First peal on the bells since they were augmented from eight to ten by Mears and Stainbank in February, 1920. Rung as a birthday peal for two very old esteemed members of the Cathedral band, Mr. John Clutterbuck and Mr. William Coombes.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

STANSTED, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Jan. 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

FREDERICK BIRD ... ..	Treble	THOMAS J. WATTS ... ..	5
*E. G. HIBBINS ... ..	2	*WALTER AYRE ... ..	6
THOMAS JORDAN... ..	3	WILLIAM T. PRIOR ... ..	7
HENRY DEW ... ..	4	GEORGE JORDAN... ..	Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by GEORGE JORDAN.

\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise. Rung as a birthday compliment to Thomas Jordan.

ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

HARRY DICKENS... ..	Treble	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... ..	5
GEORGE F. SWANN ... ..	2	*HERBERT C. SPENCER ... ..	6
*WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT	3	THOMAS H. REEVES... ..	7
*WILLIAM J. MEERS ... ..	4	*ARTHUR GARDNER ... ..	Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

\* First peal in the method.



REBINGTON, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 9 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING ... .. Treble	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. 5
FRANK FOX ... .. 3	JAMES MORGAN ... .. 6
JOHN HAYES ... .. 4	HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 7
GEORGE R. JONES ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

Rung, after meeting short, without cover and leaving the 2nd out.

LONDON.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
At the CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK, S.E.,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S-ODD & EVEN BOB ONE-PART. Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb.

JOHN CARTER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... .. 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	HERBERT W. HIBBERT ... .. 6
ERNEST J. KING ... .. 3	ISAAC J. ATTWATER ... .. 7
ROBERT G. CHAPPEL ... .. 4	HERBERT SPINK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

This peal is on a new plan, containing odd and even bobs in every course throughout (418 bobs and 2 singles), and is now rung for the first time and at the first attempt.

LONDON.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, Jan. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH, BISHOPSGATE, E.C.,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

FREDERICK C. LAMBERT ... Treble	JEFFREY R. GAMMON ... .. 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	ROBERT G. CHAPPEL ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... .. 3	REDBEN SANDERS ... .. 7
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 4	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

Rung to celebrate the appointment of Mr. F. C. Lambert as steepie-keeper of this church.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(ST. NICOLAS' SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, Jan. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 23 cwt.

*GEORGE PETTER ... .. Treble	GEORGE TOMSETT ... .. 5
GEORGE J. NICHOLS ... .. 2	EDWARD RADDON ... .. 6
EDWARD A. ETHERIDGE ... .. 3	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 7
†GEORGE R. NICHOLS ... .. 4	EDWARD G. HEATH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by SEPTIMUS RADFORD.

\* First peal. † First peal and first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to the mother of the ringer of the 3rd.

STANFORD-ON-SOAR, NOTTS.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

JOHNSON'S VARIATION.

Tenor 16 cwt.

JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. Treble	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 5
*REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... .. 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 6
WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 3	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 7
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 4	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal of Major 'inside.' First Surprise peal as conductor. First peal in the method in the county.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
At the BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 6½ cwt.

*REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... Treble	PRYCE TAYLOR ... .. 5
†JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 2	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 6
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 3	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 7
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 4	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. H. DEXTER. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

\* First peal of Superlative. † First peal in the method 'inside.' Quickest peal of Major on the bells. The conductor has now rung every bell in the tower to a peal.

LONDON.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the CHURCH OF ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM, SOUTH HACKNEY,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt.

ARTHUR MASON ... .. Treble	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 5
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 2	*WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Rung as a compliment to Miss Clara Riley, daughter of the tower-keeper, and Mr. Albert Gobbett, who were married on the above date at St. Philip's, Islington; also to Ernest William Pye, son of the conductor, on his 4th birthday. \* First peal in the method, and hails from Northampton.

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt.

RAYMOND WOOD ... .. Treble	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5
ALBERT FEIST ... .. 2	ARTHUR J. BARTLETT ... .. 6
WESLEY PETTIFER ... .. 3	WILLIAM STANFORD ... .. 7
JAMES BURDFIELD ... .. 4	PERCY H. DOICK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR J. BARTLETT.

First peal on the bells since being rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The ringers take this opportunity of congratulating the firm upon an excellent improvement, both in go and tone. With the exception that Mr. Smither took the place of Mr. H. Doick, this band rang the last peal on the bells prior to rehanging.

BANSTEAD, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
At the CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

CHARLES DEAN ... .. Treble	ALFRED J. TRAPPIST ... .. 5
REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 2	AMOS W. CLARK ... .. 6
JOHN SPARROW ... .. 3	DAVID WRIGHT ... .. 7
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 4	WILLIAM JOINER ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by DAVID WRIGHT.

First peal of Major on the bells since recasting by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. The ringer of 5th hails from Beddington, tenor from Mitcham and the remainder from Croydon.

EPSOM, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
At CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

DAVIES' TEN-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

DAVID ANSCOMBE ... .. Treble	JOHN CRAWFORD ... .. 5
JOHN BEAMS ... .. 2	CHARLES E. READ ... .. 6
GEORGE COOK ... .. 3	FREDERICK LAVER ... .. 7
EDWARD T. GROVE ... .. 4	GEORGE MARRINER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN BEAMS.

TONBRIDGE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 21 cwt.

HARRY HARRINGTON... ..Treble	WILLIAM COLLISON ... .. 5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 2	HERBERT MARKWELL... .. 6
WILLIAM STEED... .. 3	WILLIAM LATIER ... .. 7
*STAFFORD H. GREEN ... .. 4	GEORGE EDWARDS ... ..Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

\* First peal of Stedman. Rung in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Stonestreet.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY).

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF MIDDLETON'S. Tenor 24½ cwt.

HERBERT E. ROBBINS... ..Treble	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 5
REV. R. P. WILKINSON ... .. 2	ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... .. 6
WILLIAM LAMBERT ... .. 3	JOHN FLINT ... .. 7
FRED W. HILL ... .. 4	SAM THOMAS... ..Tenor

Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

First peal of Major in the method on the bells, and by all the band except the ringers of the 6th and 7th.

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

*FRANK PATRICK ... ..Treble	WILLIAM DODLEY ... .. 5
WILLIAM BACON ... .. 2	GEORGE E. WILSON ... .. 6
CHARLES P. CHALKE... .. 3	HENRY T. WILSON ... .. 7
WILLIAM BEDWELL ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. JODD ... ..Tenor

Composed by FRANK HOPGOOD. Conducted by WILLIAM H. JODD.

\* Re-elected a member in the tower.

CALVERLEY, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Wilfrid,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

SAMUEL WHEATLEY... ..Treble	WALTER POPPLEWELL ... .. 5
JOHN AMBLER ... .. 2	*PERCY WHEATLEY ... .. 6
SAMUEL WARD ... .. 3	WILLIAM CORDINGLEY ... .. 7
WILLIE STANHOPE ... .. 4	WILFRID LEE ... ..Tenor

Composed by WM. SOTTANSTALL. Conducted by W. POPPLEWELL.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. Lee. First peal on the bells since they were rebung by Mears and Stainbank, the 'go' being exceedingly good.

KIDLINGTON, OXON.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 23½ cwt.

HARRY MILES ... ..Treble	FREDERICK S. MACEY ... .. 5
*MRS. ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 2	THOMAS PAYNE ... .. 6
*FRANCIS TAYLOR ... .. 3	*GORDON CAUDWELL ... .. 7
*ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 4	*WILLIAM STONE... ..Tenor

Composed by J. PATRICK.

Conducted by ALBERT E. LOCK.

\* First peal of Major.

BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.  
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Jan. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. ILTYD,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

*ERNEST STITCH ... ..Treble	JOHN W. JONES ... .. 5
*FREDERICK J. BAILEY ... .. 2	CHARLES H. PERRY ... .. 6
*FRANK J. BAILEY ... .. 3	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 7
RICHARD EVANS... .. 4	*ALBERT J. PITMAN ... ..Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by A. J. PITMAN.

\* First peal of Major.

GODSTONE, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qr. 4 lb.

OLIVER SIPPETTS ... ..Treble	EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 5
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 2	AMOS W. CLARK ... .. 6
*WILLIAM BEESON, JUN. ... .. 3	ISAAC EMERY ... .. 7
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 4	*WILLIAM BEESON, SEN. ... ..Tenor

Conducted by ISAAC EMERY.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung after meeting short for Superlative.

SIX BELL PEALS.

IWERNE COURTNEY (SHROTON), DORSET

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores called differently. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb.

J. W. HARVEY ... ..Treble	H. MARTIN ... .. 4
A. W. HARVEY ... .. 2	F. ARNOLD ... .. 5
B. NEWMAN ... .. 3	W. WILKINS... ..Tenor

Conducted by F. ARNOLD.

First peal rung by the company, also the first peal on the bells.

WORCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH AND THE CATHEDRAL GUILD.)

On Tuesday, Jan. 10, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of London and Superlative, and three of Cambridge.

WILLIAM PAGE ... ..Treble	SIDNEY HOLT ... .. 4
*JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... .. 2	WILLIAM LEWIS... .. 5
THOMAS WALTERS ... .. 3	JAMES R. MACKMAN ... ..Tenor

Conducted by W. PAGE.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal of Surprise Minor by the rest and for the Association. Also first peal of Minor for the Cathedral Guild.

KEGWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 18 cwt.

*MISS WINNIE BAXTER ...Treble	JOHN W. BOOTH ... .. 4
*FELIX J. SUTTON ... .. 2	HARRY WHITTLE... .. 5
*EDWARD J. BAGGULEY ... .. 3	ALBERT JOYCE ... ..Tenor

Conducted by HARRY WHITTLE.

\* First peal and first attempt. First peal on the bells and first ever attempted.

MUFFLED RINGING.

On Tuesday, January 10th, at the Church of St. Augustine, Woodston, a quarter-peal of Doubles (1,260 changes), consisting of two six-scores each of St. Simon's Doubles, two of Old Doubles, two of Plain Bob, two of Grandsire, and 60 changes of Grandsire, in 47 minutes, was rung by: H. Hoare, senr., 1. Miss F. Calpin 2. C. Hoare 3. Miss A. Parkins 4. H. Hoare, junr. (conductor), 5. Mrs. Danson (longest touch) 6. Rung with the bells deeply muffled, in memory of the rev. W. M. Crome, Rector of Cirencester, formerly Rector of Woodston.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

**BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Tuesday, Jan. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

WILLIAM POWELL ... .. Treble	JAMES BLAKE ... .. 4
JOHN J. BEVAN ... .. 2	EDWARD SUMMERS ... .. 5
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

First peal containing London by a resident band of the Guild. First peal by ringer of treble, who is aged 16 years.

**NEWCHURCH, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

(BOLTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*WILLIAM HAMPSON ... .. Treble	GEORGE POWNALL ... .. 4
†WILLIAM GOULD ... .. 2	JOHN YATES ... .. 5
*WILLIAM PYE ... .. 3	JOSEPH LEATHERBARROW ... Tenor

Conducted by J. LEATHERBARROW.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal away from treble. William Pye was proposed a member of the Association previous to starting for the peal. All the ringers belong to the local company.

**SAXMUNDHAM, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, and two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob and Bob Minor, each called differently. Tenor 9½ cwt.

GEORGE HARDY ... .. Treble	GEORGE BAILEY ... .. 4
FREDERICK WATLING ... .. 2	HENRY PHILLIPS ... .. 5
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 3	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK WATLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, who belongs to Saxmundham. Messrs. Hardy and Phillips belong to Kelsale, the rest to St. Margaret's, Leiston.

**NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Thomas,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven spliced 720's: (1) Poynton and Old Oxford, (2) Bocking and Willesden, (3) Grove Delight and Neasden, (4) Wragby and College Bob IV., (5) Trowel and Duke of Norfolk, (6) College Exercise and Norbury, (7) Oxford, Overton, Sandal, London Scholars and Kingston.

Tenor 9 cwt.

JAMES FERNLEY ... .. Treble	HARRY LANGLEY ... .. 4
JOHN P. FIDLER ... .. 2	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT ... 5
WILLIAM FERNLEY ... .. 3	JOHN W. HARTLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES FERNLEY.

First peal in 17 methods by the ringer of the 5th.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

The annual meeting of the Hinckley District was held at Hinckley, on Saturday, January 14th. Members and friends attended from Burbage, Barwell Croft, Earl Shilton, Nuneaton, Stoney Stanton, South Wigston and Hinckley, and the bells were kept going in Bob Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major.

The business meeting was held at the ringers' meeting room, Mr. C. H. Webb presiding. Mr. C. H. Webb was re-elected vice-president, Mr. S. White was re-elected on the committee, and Mr. F. C. Cotton local hon. secretary. Messrs. G. Mark Coe and Edward Clough were elected ringing members, and Mr. John Worthington an honorary member of the Association.

Thurleston was chosen as the place of the next meeting, and the business concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to Canon Hurrell for the use of the bells. Songs were afterwards given by Messrs. W. Humphreys and W. Reynolds; duets by Messrs. L. Cobley and W. Reynolds; Miss Abbots and Mr. W. Reynolds. Change ringing on handbells also took place, and altogether a very enjoyable evening was spent.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

EALING.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, Jan. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
At 69, BALFOUR ROAD,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;**

GEORGE E. HARBOUR ... .. 1-2	HAROLD P. JAMES ... .. 5-6
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... .. 3-4	DOUGLAS HARBOUR ... .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

This composition has the 6th twenty-four times each way.

CLAPHAM.

**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

On Friday, Jan. 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
At 63A, OLD TOWN.

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 16 in B.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 1-2	HAROLD P. JAMES ... .. 5-6
FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 3-4	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

Umpire: W. H. HEWETT.

CLAPHAM, S.W.

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At 63A, OLD TOWN.

**A PEAL OF BOB MAXIMUS, 5018 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 16½ in B flat.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 1-2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 7-8
*J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... .. 3-4	†WILLIAM HEWETT ... .. 9-10
†ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 5-6	§GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 11-12

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire: H. P. JAMES.

\* First peal of Bob Maximus. † First peal of Maximus. ‡ First peal of Maximus 'in hand.' § First peal on 12 bells. First peal of Maximus by the above Guild. Rung in honour of the 6th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Hairs' wedding day.

CAMBRIDGE.

**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Wednesday, Jan. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
In TRINITY COLLEGE.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY ... .. 1-2	WILFRID HOOTON ... .. 5-6
JOHN WOOLLEY ... .. 3-4	*CHRISTOPHER WOOLLEY ... .. 7-8

Composed by JAMES HUNT. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

\* First peal in the method.

CLAPHAM, S.W.

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
At 63A, OLD TOWN.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 16½ in B flat.

*REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 1-2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	JOHN SPARKOW ... .. 7-8
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9-10	

Composed by W. WILSON. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire: Mrs. F. I. HAIRS.

\* First peal of Caters 'in hand.'

**A CARILLON FOR NORWAY.**

Stavanger, Norway, was on fete on Saturday, January 7th, when a fine carillon of 22 bells, tenor 22 cwt. in E, was opened by Mr. Harry Withers, the carillonneur, of Bournville, Birmingham. After a short dedication service in the Domkirken, where the carillon is hung, large crowds listened, some, no doubt, for the first time, to bell music. Mr. Withers gave a selection of tunes, lasting 1½ hours, concluding with the Norwegian Anthem, and, by the donor's special wish, 'God save the King.'

The donor of bells and clock, with Westminster chimes, is Konsul Segval Bergesen, of Stavanger. The whole work was carried out by Messrs. Warner and Son, the well-known Spitalfields Bell Founders, and reflects great credit on the firm.



**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.****MEETING AT ORDSALL.**

The Christmas quarterly meeting was held at Ordsall on Saturday, January 14th. The weather was wretched in the extreme, wind, sleet and snow making itself conspicuous, and of the 25 members who had signified their intention of being present, only 14 put in an appearance, including Miss Ivy Barker, who bids fair to become an efficient ringer. All honour is due to those 14 ringers who turned up from distances far and wide under the inclement weather and most unfavourable circumstances, viz., Anston, Barlborough, Treeton, Gainsborough, Worksop and Ordsall. A nice light, sweet peal of six were at their disposal, and with the exception of 75 minutes' interval for tea and meeting, the bells were kept ringing continuously between 2 and 8 p.m. The ringers were few, but the methods were plentiful, and the striking both with close and open leads was excellent. The methods consisted of Plain Bob, Little Bob, Oxford Bob, Stedman, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Violet and Duke of York, including two 720's of Violet, conducted by H. Haigh, and a non-conducted 720 of Kent, the first on the bells, by: R. Reece 1, W. Platts 2, P. E. Hibbard 3, J. H. Brothwell 4, H. Haigh 5, C. F. Fowler 6.

Tea was served at the Gate Inn, and presided over by the Rector of Ordsall (the Rev. R. D. Foster), who also took the chair for the business meeting which followed. He was supported by the hon. secretary (Mr. H. Haigh), and others.

Two new members were elected, viz., Mr. C. Buxton, of Ordsall, and Mr. H. Hibbard, of Barlborough.

Tuxford applied for an instructor to coach them through a number of lessons, but as none of the Tuxford ringers were present, the matter was held over until the annual meeting in May.

A vote of thanks to the Rector of Ordsall for the use of bells and presiding over tea and meeting, was proposed, and carried with acclamation.—The rev. gentleman, in reply, gave the members a most hearty welcome to Ordsall, and said that if he did not attend all their meetings held in the old ancient borough of Retford, it was not because his heart and soul were not in their work, but because he had urgent duties to perform elsewhere. He looked upon the office of a bell ringer as a missionary and church worker of great importance. They at Ordsall had a nice light and sweet ring of six bells, and it was delightful to hear the bells when skillfully rung. The art of change ringing was a noble art; he could pull a bell; he understood the theory of the art from study at school, and also as a schoolmaster, but that was as far as he had got. Nevertheless he was delighted to hear them ring, and he wished the Association every success.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.****DEVIZES BRANCH.**

The annual meeting of the Devizes branch was held at Devizes on Saturday, January 7th, and was well attended (notwithstanding the very unpleasant weather) by ringers from Warminster, Westbury, Trowbridge, Bradford-on-Avon, Holt, Bromham, Keevil, Devizes, St. John and St. Mary, and Southbroom. Ringing commenced at St. John's, and a brief dedication service was held in the belfry, when the Rector (the Rev. A. H. T. Clarke) unveiled a stone mural memorial tablet engraved as under:—

**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD OF RINGERS.**

This Tablet was erected by the Members of the Devizes Branch to the memory of their fellow ringers who gave their lives in the Great War, 1914-18.

Beneath this inscription is a record of a peal of Grandsire Triples rung half-muffled by a band of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, all ex-Service men, on 20th February, 1920.

After this ceremony the ringers assembled in the church for the usual Guild service, which was conducted by the Rector, the lessons being read by Mr. C. D. Heginbotham.

Tea in the parish room was followed by the business meeting, at which the balance sheet was passed.—The Chairman (Mr. W. Hart, of Westbury) asked to be allowed to resign owing to inability to attend the meetings regularly, and Mr. C. D. Heginbotham, of St. John's, Devizes, was elected chairman of the branch for the ensuing year. The secretary, Mr. H. F. Brown, Westbury, was also unable to continue the duties for another year, and Mr. F. Green, of St. Mary's, Devizes, was elected as secretary. Both the retiring officers were heartily thanked for their services. The ringers then returned to the towers, some visiting St. James's, Southbroom, the remainder St. John's, where some good touches of Stedman and Grandsire Doubles and Triples and Plain Bob Minor were rung, as well as courses of Stedman Triples and Kent Treble Bob Minor. It was a great pleasure to the ringers that the Rev. H. E. Tilney Bassett, of Beccingstoke, and Mr. and Mrs. Brownlee West were able to be present at the tea and meeting.

**LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.**

Ten members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, will (D.V.) attempt a record peal of Grandsire Caters, containing 19,115 changes, at Appleton, on Saturday, January 28th.

C. G. WHITE, Appleton.

**OLD CUSTOM REVIVED.****NEW YEAR'S GATHERING AT SALEHURST, SUSSEX.**

The members of the Salehurst Society of the Sussex Association met in the belfry on Saturday, December 31st, to bid adieu to the old year and to welcome the new.

Several touches of Grandsire Triples were rung till midnight, when the tenor was struck twelve times. The bells were then 'fired,' and further touches rung.

Several youthful members of the band, as well as the older hands, took part.

Following an old custom, the ringers again met on Monday, January 2nd, at 10 a.m., and the bells were rung at intervals throughout the day, several touches of Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Stedman Triples being brought round. The band was assisted by Mr. H. Parks (Mersham), Mr. C. Tribe (Tenterden), Mr. A. Baker (Frittenden), Mr. W. Franks (Battle), and Mr. F. Lambert (Burwash).

In the evening the party adjourned to the Old Eight Bells Inn, where an excellent dinner had been provided by Host and Hostess J. Schnorr. Mr. F. T. Willsher presided in the absence of the Vicar, and was supported by Messrs. L. J. Hodson, F. Hudson, W. Hoad, W. Franks and F. Lambert, and an enjoyable evening was spent.

The usual loyal and patriotic toasts having been musically honoured, Mr. Willsher proposed 'the health of the ringers.' He assured them that the parish was greatly indebted to them for the way they rang every Sunday for service. They were also deserving of great praise for their regular attendance at practices. They had not met around the festive board for six years, and during that time many changes had taken place. He hoped, however, that all present would be spared to meet again next year and do honour to the old custom.

Mr. T. Booth (captain), in responding, said a great deal of the credit was due to the ringers, who had rallied round him so well. He hoped they would continue to attend the Sunday services as well as in the past, and also to follow up their peal ringing. He himself would always do his utmost to make the ringing a success. He then proposed the health of the visitors, referring especially to the kindness of Mr. W. Hoad, who, he said, had helped them in many ways, and was good enough to lend his motor-car whenever the band wished to visit any other church.

Mr. F. Hudson, in responding, said the parishioners would feel lost if there were no bells to summon them to service. He looked upon them as a great help to lighten people's hearts.

Mr. W. Hoad also replied. He said he always took a great interest in the bells, and had two sons belonging to the band. He hoped all would pull together and get 'to the top of the ladder.'

Mr. W. Franks said he hoped the members would try and attend the annual meeting of the association at Brighton in May next. They would then be able to hear the different speakers and vote on the questions that were discussed.

The remainder of the evening was spent in harmony, songs being rendered by Messrs. W. Franks, F. Hoad, E. Mills, F. Morgan, H. Weston and P. Weston, while Mr. Willsher also gave some capital recitations.

Just before the close, Mr. Booth, captain, on behalf of the company, thanked Mr. and Mrs. Schnorr for the excellent dinner they had provided. It was the first since the war ended, and it revived an old custom, which had existed for many years of ringing on New Year's Day, and having a good dinner afterwards. During the war the ringers had only had a tea after ringing, but they now thought it would not do to let the old custom die out, and so the dinner was revived this year.—The National Anthem concluded the proceedings.

**FATHERS AND SONS IN SURPRISE PEALS.****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—In regard to the suggestion that the peal of London Surprise Major at Kinner, on December 17th, was believed to be the first peal of London Surprise in which a father and son have rung together, may I point out that my father and myself both rang in a peal of London at St. Mary Magdalen's, Woolwich, on Sept. 6th, 1910, when I rang the treble; also at St. John the Baptist, Erith, on Dec. 3rd, 1910, when we both rang inside bells, and have since then rung three together. We have also rung together in Superlative, Cambridge Major and Maximus, New Cumberland, and Bristol Surprise.—Yours faithfully,

T. GROOMBRIDGE, Junr.

Mr. E. Hern, of 6, Victoria Place, North Shields, also writes: 'May I point out that a peal of London was rung at North Shields on January 2nd, 1911, in which my father (the late J. Hern) and myself took part.'

### WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. ANNUAL MEETING OF PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.

A well-attended meeting of the Portsmouth district was held on Saturday, January 14th, at St. Thomas', Portsmouth. Despite the fact that the weather and road conditions did not favour the cyclists, members to the number of 30 attended from Alverstoke, Fareham, Gosport, Portsmouth, Portsea and Wickham, while Mr. W. G. Edwards, of North Stoneham, and Mr. G. Pullinger, of Upham, were also present. The fine peal of eight were made good use of in Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob and Double Norwich Major. A short service was held, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. W. H. David). After giving the Guild a hearty welcome, he gave an interesting history of the bells. In 1702 the cupola on the tower was built, and five bells hung in it, these bells coming from the Roman Pharos at Dover Castle. They were recast at the expense of Prince George of Denmark, Consort of Queen Anne, and at some later date three more bells were added to complete the octave. When the church was restored in 1912 the bells were recast.

A move was then made to Smith and Vosper's, in Castle Road, where an excellent tea was served.

The business meeting was then held, the balance sheet being read by the auditor, and comments made by the secretary.

The election of officers for 1922 resulted as follows: President, Mr. W. Tate; district secretary, Mr. E. J. Harding, senr.; representatives on Central Committee, Messrs. H. J. Smith and F. W. Rogers; auditor, Mr. H. G. Reynolds.

Several full and probationary members were elected and Bishop's Waltham was chosen for the next meeting, to be held on April 22nd next.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and to the organist for his services concluded the meeting.

### OFF TO SOUTH AFRICA.

On Tuesday evening, January 10th, 1,696 Kent Treble Bob Major was rung at Eckington, Derbyshire, to celebrate the wedding of the Rector (the Rev. W. R. Hewson, R.D.), and also as a 'farewell' touch to one of the ringers, Mr. G. Noden, who is leaving to take up an appointment in South Africa. The composition consists of 1,696 changes, and was successfully brought round by: F. Hancock 1, A. Tomlinson 2, G. Noden 3, B. Ditcher 4, P. Jervis 5, W. Ashman 6, C. Booth 7, J. Marton (conductor) 8.

### CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION. WELLINGBOROUGH DISTRICT.

By kind permission of the Vicar, a quarterly meeting of the Wellingborough district was held at Wellingborough on January 14th, ringers being present from Irthlingborough, Finedon, Wilby, Higham Ferrers, Geddington, Broughton, Luton, Thrapston, Earls Barton, and the local tower. During the afternoon and evening touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Double Norwich, and Grandsire Doubles were rung.

A short service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. R. G. W. Smeaton), who gave a stirring address. The Rev. A. M. Baines was also present.

Tea was partaken of at the Granville Hotel, followed by the business meeting, and in the absence of the vice-president, Mr. J. C. Shatford was voted to the chair. It was decided to hold a special meeting at Wollaston on February 25th, and the next quarterly meeting at Yardley-Hastings, on April 29th.

The Secretary read his report for the past year, and also submitted the balance sheet, which was considered very satisfactory.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and to the local ringers brought a successful meeting to a close.

### SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

A quarterly meeting was held at Stafford on January 7th. The somewhat small attendance of members was disappointing, but at the same time not to be wondered at, considering the high cost of travel. The ten bells have recently been retuned and rehung—the front nine on ball bearings and the tenor on rollers—by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The tone and 'go' is a remarkable improvement upon the old state of affairs.

A short service was held in church, with a helpful address given by the Rev. J. H. Kempson, M.A., Vicar of Penkridge, in the unavoidable absence of the Rector of Stafford, the Rev. L. Lambert. At the conclusion of the service, the organist favoured the assembly with a pretty voluntary upon the very fine organ.

An adjournment was then made to the Gresham Restaurant for tea. Votes of thanks were accorded the Rector for the use of the church and bells, the Rev. J. H. Kempson for his address, and to the organist and choir boys for their valuable assistance.

The next meeting is provisionally arranged to take place at Lelsall on April 29th.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

THE  
**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**

# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**  
for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**  
In Sets of any number.

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The coming week marks the anniversary of the death of three noteworthy members of the Exercise. On January 29th, 1886, Henry Haley died at Bethnal Green at the age of 66. Henry Haley's services to ringing are still fresh in the memory of many living ringers.

On January 30th, 1916, died Henry Burstow, of Horsham, at the age of 89. He was a link with a past generation of ringers, had tramped literally thousands of miles in his native Sussex and neighbouring Surrey, in pursuit of ringing, and had a repertoire of over 400 Folk Lore songs which he could sing from memory. He was born in poverty, and faced the hard side of the world all through life, but his indomitable soul was cheery to the very end.

The anniversary of the death of one of the greatest among pioneers of ringing falls on February 1st, for on that day, in 1756, Benjamin Annable was gathered to his fathers. Ninety years ago on February 1st, the first peal of Kent Treble Bob Cinques was rung—at St. Martin's, Birmingham—and very few, if any, have been rung since.

Another William Pye has rung his first peal. This was at Newchurch, Lancs. We wonder if he will become as famous as his namesake!

Two correspondents sent a report of a peal of Treble Bob, rung at Eckington, and consequently this peal has been published in two consecutive weeks. It is not always possible to check this kind of thing, and it would be well if the conductor alone would make himself responsible for the report.

We learn that tickets for Bristol United Guild's first annual dinner are going very rapidly, and it is good to note that some are being asked for 50 miles away from Bristol. The Right Rev. Bishop Clifford has kindly accepted an invitation to be present, and will be supported by many Bristol clergymen. The social programme is being kindly arranged by Mr. W. Emery, of Bristol University, and will be completed with handbell selections by St. Stephen's handbell ringers.

Ringers are reminded that, in order to be included in the Council's Analysis, the reports of all peals rung in the year 1921 must be published before the end of February. If there are any which have not yet appeared from any cause they should be sent to 'The Ringing World' without delay.

Something which ringers will be inclined to call 'hot stuff' is the composition rung on January 7th at St. George's, Southwark. It is a new composition of Stedman Triples by Mr. John Carter, containing odd and even bobs, and, we have been informed, is more difficult than the famous Odd Bob One-Part. The Exercise will look forward with interest to seeing the figures.

The footnote to the peal of Double Norwich at Bishopstoke in last week's issue refers to the ringer of the 3rd, and not the 4th, as printed.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The annual meeting, 1922, will be held on Whit-Tuesday, June 6th, at Lincoln. Further and full particulars of this will be announced later. Notice of motions should be sent to the hon. secretary before May 6th, in order that they may appear upon the agenda.

Secretaries of the affiliated Guilds and Associations are reminded that the subscription for 1922 is now due, and should be sent to the hon. sec., Mr. F. Alexr. Young, 155, Rushey Green, Catford, S.E.6.

## DEATH OF AN OLD RINGER.

The death has taken place at Knighton, Radnorshire, of Mr. John Perks, who passed away at the age of 84 years. Deceased was one of the oldest inhabitants of the town, in which he had lived all his life.

He was the oldest ringer at the Parish Church, where he was sexton until recently, and had rung the tenor bell for the band for nearly 70 years, his ringing having begun when he was a boy of 14. In addition he assisted to chime for Sunday and weekly services, and assisted in the care of the church.

He probably had a good claim to being the oldest regular ringer in the United Kingdom.

## RINGER'S SILVER WEDDING PEAL.

A peal rung at Tonbridge on Jan. 14th was to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Stonestreet, the former a respected member of the local band. It was arranged for November 21st (the actual anniversary), but had to be postponed at the last moment, owing to the death of a townsman close to the church. Unfortunately, Mr. Stonestreet's health prevented him taking part in the peal, but at his request the band adjourned to 53, Mableton Road, accepted his kind hospitality, extended hearty congratulations, expressed a wish that he might soon be restored to health, and that all might meet on the occasion of the golden wedding. It is interesting to note that the conductor of the peal (Mr. T. Groombridge, senr.), acted as best man at the wedding.



## CHARLES MIDDLETON.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I am sure all your readers were, like myself, deeply interested in Mr. Trollope's excellent article on Charles Middleton. That he and Henry Johnson independently composed the one and only possible peal of Cambridge Surprise cannot, I think, be doubted. It was indeed an extraordinary coincidence, paralleled only by the simultaneous discovery of the planet Neptune by Professor Adams at Cambridge and Monsieur Le Verrier at Paris. Just as they, by abstruse calculations based on certain irregularities in the path of the planet Uranus, were able to indicate the exact position of Neptune, although invisible to the naked eye, earned a lasting name, so have Middleton and Johnson 'achieved a certain immortality' by their remarkable discovery of this peal. Amongst many things that have given me pleasure in the course of my ringing career, I look back with pride to having once conducted Middleton's peal, and I commend it as an object of ambition to all aspiring ringers.

Mr. Trollope has omitted, no doubt inadvertently, to tell us what was Middleton's business or occupation: this and any other personal details would be welcomed by your readers.—Yours faithfully,

Hill Top, King's Norton.

J. S. PRITCHETT.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

The annual meeting was held at St. Luke's, Chelsea, on Saturday last, when various methods were rung on the ten bells, the go of which is excellent. Members attended choral evensong. Tea was afterwards partaken of in a cosy room in the King's Road, and a pleasant party sat down. Afterwards the tower bells were rung until 8 p.m., when the business meeting was held.

After the balance sheet had been adopted, the election of officers took place as follows: Mr. W. Pickett, Master; Mr. H. Burton resigning; Mr. F. Smith, secretary; Mr. H. Mance, treasurer; and Mr. W. Essery, steward, Mr. J. Herbert resigning.

A vote of thanks was accorded the officers for their services for the past year, which had been a successful one for the district.

A vote of thanks was also accorded the Rector and Mr. C. Hindes for the use of the bells; also Mr. H. Mance and Mr. W. Dean for making arrangements.

The evening concluded with a touch of Stedman Cinques on hand-bells.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Bristol Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association was held on Saturday, January 14th, at St. Thomas's Schoolroom. The bells of St. Mary Redcliffe were available, and were made good use of during the afternoon. Service was held in the Lady Chapel, the Rev. E. J. Philips, of Coalpit Heath, officiating, and a good number of members being present. After service, a touch of Stedman Cinques was rung, and the bells lowered. The business meeting followed tea, and over 50 members were present, representing twelve towers. The chair was taken by the Master (Mr. H. T. Howell), who extended a hearty welcome to the visitors, and expressed regret at the absence of the Rev. M. E. Thorold, through illness, and of the Rev. T. E. Fowler, who was in London.

The balance sheet was presented by the secretary, and adopted. This showed a balance of £7 on the year's working, to be handed to the hon. treasurer. The branch has added two new towers, Brislington (taken from the Bath and Wells and added to the Bristol Diocese), and Coalpit Heath, with its new ring of four, which it was hoped to increase to six in the near future. Mangotsfield has had its old six recast into a peal of eight, and the young band, under the leadership of Mr. J. G. Jefferies, has made good headway in change ringing.

The retiring officers were all unanimously re-elected.—Four honorary, three associate, two life and 48 performing members had been elected during the year, and at the meeting five ladies were elected associate members, three performing members elected, and Mr. C. D. Heginbottom, of Devizes, was made a life member of the Association.

The quarterly meetings were fixed as follows: Bitton in March; Coalpit Heath in June; and Marshfield in September.

A collection was taken for the Coalpit Heath bell fund and realised £3 10s. 1d. This was handed to the Rev. E. J. Philips, who thanked the members for their help, and remarked that he owed a debt of gratitude to the Association for the assistance given him.

Votes of thanks were passed for the use of the bells and Lady Chapel at St. Mary Redcliffe; also to the Vicar of St. Thomas's for the use of the Schoolroom for tea and meeting.

St. Nicholas' (10), St. Thomas's and St. Philip's bells were available during the evening.

The meeting for February will be held at St. Luke's on the 11th. It is hoped that ringers will turn up in good numbers for the first united Guild's dinner, to be held at the Grand Hotel, Broad Street, Bristol, on Saturday, February 18th, at 6.30 p.m. Several towers will be open for ringing in the afternoon.

## SOME HINTS ON CALLING TOUCHES.

Mr. Brown is the captain of his band, an ordinary every-day sort of band that rings Grandeire and Treble Bob and a bit of Stedman. And Mr. Brown is an ordinary, every-day sort of conductor, that calls ordinary every-day sort of touches from the observation bell. Sometimes he goes into other towers at association meetings, or on practice nights, and sometimes he is asked to call. If he can get hold of seventh or tenor he is quite willing, but he can't always do that. Sometimes, perhaps, he is ringing the fourth in rounds before someone says, 'Go on, Mr. Brown, call a couple of courses.' He doesn't like to stop and ask the seventh man to change with him. That would be advertising too loudly that he can't call away from the observation bell. So he has to be modest and say, 'Oh, never mind, let Mr. Blank call.' He cannot help noticing with envy how Smith walks into a belfry, catches hold of the first rope, and proceeds to call anything; and he wishes he could do the same. Perhaps we can give him some hints. We are not going to try and turn him into a first-class conductor. The man who can really call anything from any bell, know what each bell is doing, bring up rounds almost when he pleases, and put mistakes right before they are made—that sort of conductor is as rare as he is valuable. Mr. Brown will never be such a one, try he how he can; and, to give him justice, knows it quite well, and not even a good second-class bob caller. All he wants is to be able to save his face when he is asked to call from an unaccustomed bell.

Our first hint is this: That within certain limits, you can call touches from any bell in the same way you would call them from the usual observation bell. You must know what the limits are. Take the case of Stedman. There are two sorts of touches people call in this method. One is the sort where you go in for music—4-6's and 7-4's and 6-7's behind, where usually you have bobs on the 7th. Mr. Brown had better leave them alone for the present. The other sort is what you may call 'peal' touches, which are made up of calling, such as you get in Thurstan's four-part—bobs at 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, or 12-13. In these the 7th is fixed throughout, and the bells come round at the fourth row of the six. The simplest of all these is a double course called 12-13; 12-13 is the 7th In and Out Quick. Well, you can call any bell In and Out Quick and get a double course. You will remember that if you are ringing the treble you will call the Out Quick at the beginning of the course, and the In Quick at the end.

Or take the calling, 3-4, 5-6, 12-12, which goes five courses. Here the 7th is called In Slow, 1st Whole Turn, 1st and 2nd half turns, In and Out Quick. If you are ringing the fourth you go straight into the Slow. You must, therefore, call your first bob at the go off, and then carry on as if you were ringing the 7th. If you are ringing the fifth, you go up behind and then come down quick. You must, therefore, start with the In and Out Quick first, and then when you come down slow carry on with the other calling. So, too, with the sixth. If you are ringing the third, a bob at the go off is the first half turn. You call that, then the second half turn, then the In and Out Quick, and finish up with the In Slow and first Whole Turn. Fancy you are ringing the 7th, and pick up the calling from that bell at the place you happen to be in.

When you have experimented with a few of these simple touches, you can try some more complicated ones. Wait till you get to a place where you would call a bob if you were ringing the seventh and carry on. If you have omitted any bobs at the start put them in at the finish. The bells will come round right enough. But don't try any touches that come round at hand, or any that come round at the second or sixth row of the six.

Here is an example:—

1. From the Seventh. 2314567	2. From the Treble. 2314567	3. From the Sixth. 2314567
3425167 Right	3425167 Out Quick	3461275 In Quick
4675312 In Quick	4632571 Right	4132675 Out Quick
6543712 Out Quick	6712453 In Quick	1743256 Right
5123674 Wrong	7264153 Out Quick	7563124 In Quick
1372548 In Quick	2534716 Wrong	5371624 Out Quick
3215748 Out Quick	5413267 In Quick	3241567 Wrong
3254167 Plain Six	Each has, of course, to be repeated.	

You must remember that as the second, third and fifth start as bells in the Slow, or that have just come out of Slow, you can't call this touch from them, at least, not without repetition.

We should advise Mr. Brown to practise a few of these transpositions in his own tower first; then, when he goes into a strange belfry, he will know what to do. We have a few more hints we can give him, and perhaps if he finds this useful, we will later on. J. A. T.

LONDON.—On Wednesday, January 11th, at St. John's, Waterloo Road, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: F. Hairs 1, J. A. Trollope 2, T. Langdon 3, W. James 4, E. Pike 5, W. Hewett 6, R. Grimwood 7, J. Davis (conductor) 8. Also two courses London Surprise.

# GILLET & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

**THE COLLECTION OF MAJOR METHODS.****SUGGESTIONS AT A MANCHESTER MEETING.**

Following the custom of the past 25 years, the first meeting of the year of the Manchester Branch of the Lancashire Association was held at the Cathedral on Saturday, January 14th. A large gathering of ringers assembled, some of them having their first pull on ten bells. A feature of the proceedings was the ringing of the bells by a band composed entirely of members of the Manchester City Police.

At the business meeting, the Rev. A. T. Beeston was voted to the chair. He said the Exercise was gradually recovering from the effects of the war. This was apparent from the large number of peals now being rung in the higher methods, and he thought it was due in a large measure to the progress made in Minor ringing. He mentioned that the Central Council had a large number of Major Methods ready, but they had no funds to enable them to go on with the publication. He thought if the various associations could be appealed to for the money something might be done to get the methods published. This was, however, a matter for them to discuss at their other meetings.

Three new members were elected, Messrs. W. Savage, F. Brickell (of Christ Church, Barlow Moor), and Mr. R. T. Holding (of Crewe) as a non-resident member.—St. James', Birch-in-Rusholme, was selected for the next meeting, on Saturday, February 11th.

During the meeting, the Rev. Canon Elsee, President of the Association, put in an appearance, having broken a journey across Manchester to attend, and he was heartily welcomed by the members.

In reply to the chairman's suggestion, Mr. J. H. Banks thought the best plan would be to print the methods in book form, and sell them at a price to cover the cost of publication.

The President, having first wished the members a happy New Year, said he was afraid the associations would be against being budgeted for the purpose of printing the Council's Collection of Peals, as it would mean an increase of affiliation fees to the Central Council. He favoured the idea of Mr. J. H. Banks.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Dean and Chapter for the use of the bells; also to the ringers for having everything in readiness.—Mr. A. Ridyard replied.—A vote of thanks to the chairman was also unanimously carried, and closed the meeting.

Further ringing in the standard methods took place, also touches on handbells, which delighted a large company.

**WORKSOP PEACE PEAL.****COMMEMORATIVE TABLET UNVEILED.**

A pleasing little ceremony took place in the ringing chamber at Worksop Priory Church after morning prayer on Sunday, January 8th, when Mrs. Elliott, wife of Mr. A. E. Elliott, agent to the Duke of Newcastle, unveiled a tablet in commemoration of a peal of Bob Major rung on Saturday, December 13th, 1919, by the Priory Church ringers, with the assistance of Mr. J. T. Ladd, of Gainsborough. The unveiling was preceded by a short service, conducted in the temporary chapel at the west end of the church by the Rev. F. E. Franks, after which the company, including Mr. and Mrs. Elliott, the churchwardens (Mr. S. W. Pennington and Mr. J. P. Forrest), the ringers, Mr. J. H. Howard and Mr. J. Webster, and several other ladies and gentlemen, proceeded to the ringing chamber, where Mr. H. Haigh, captain of the ringers, officiated as Master of Ceremonies.

Mr. Haigh said they all regretted the absence of their Vicar, who had been taken ill on that day. They had assembled to unveil the tablet which commemorated the peal of Bob Major rung in celebration of the conclusion of the great war, the recovery from wounds of ex-Sergt. William Henry Johnson, V.C., and also to give a joyful welcome home to the 'boys' of Worksop who served in His Majesty's forces during the campaign. Some of the ringers thought the number 13 unlucky, but to him it had always been a lucky day, for on Dec. 13th, 1904, he went through the best ringing performance of his career, and he could truthfully say that ex-Sergt. Johnson, V.C., and all the other ringers never rang better than on Saturday, December 13th, 1919. He then called upon Mrs. Elliott to unveil the tablet, which was the work of two local craftsmen, Mr. W. Cartwright, son of one of their ringers, and Mr. A. Grant.

Mrs. Elliott then unveiled the tablet, which was covered with the Union Jack, and said she complied with the request with much pleasure. She thought it was an excellent idea. There were many memorials all over the country to the men who laid down their lives, and it was only just and fitting to have something in remembrance of those who, through God's mercy, came back to us.

Mr. H. Haigh moved a vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Elliott, and mentioned that the tablet had been subscribed for by the ringers and friends in the town.

Mr. S. W. Pennington (parish warden) seconded the motion, and said all of them could go back to those anxious years of war. It was a kind thought on the part of the Priory Church ringers to remember what the 'boys' of Worksop had gone through, and to ring that peal

to welcome them home. The church people and the parishioners generally much appreciated it. He was sorry that Dr. Kemp, who was churchwarden when the peal was rung, was unable to be present.

The ringers at the conclusion rang 224 Bob Major, the men at the ropes being the same as those who took part in the peal.

**14,144 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR.****REV. H. LAW JAMES' RECORD LENGTH.**

On May 11th, 1903, a new London Surprise Major record was set up, when the peal of 14,112 changes was rung at King's Norton. That peal was looked upon for a long time as the longest possible length obtainable in the method, but in 1918 the Rev. Law James constructed a peal one lead longer, and below is published for the first time the figures of his 14,144, which contains the extent with the tenors together:—

234567	M	+	5ths	W	H	254763	M	+	5ths	W	H
423567				—		572364	I				
473265		—				246753	—	—			
453762		—				426357	—	—	—		
524736	O					236745	—	I			
254637	—	—				352764	O	—			
564723	—	I				532467	—	—	—		
635742	O	—				276354	—	—	—		
365247	—	—	—			365724	—	—	—		
574632	—	—	—			735624	—	—	—		
643752	—	—	—			724563	4th	—	—		
763452	—	—	—			574263	—	—	—		
473652	—	—	—			476253	—	—	—		
375642	—	—	—			473526	—	4th	—		
372465	—	4th	—			532746	—	—	—		
426735	—	—	—			752346	—	—	—		
746235	—	—	—								
276435	—	—	—								
673425	—	—	—								
675243	—	4th	—								
254763	—	—	—								

752346	M	+	5ths	W	H
372546				—	
274536	—				
463725	—		—		
643527	—		—		
342567	—	I	—		
24653	—				
56342	—				
34562	—				
53462	—				
45362	—				
35264	—				
62453	—				
45623	—				
Repeat the last five courses three times.					

**ON NEW YEAR'S EVE.**

On Saturday, December 31st, members of the Skipton company visited Gargrave (accompanied by Miss C. A. Parkins, Peterborough, who was on a visit to Skipton), when an enjoyable two hours was spent in the belfry. A 700 of Grandsire Triples was rung by: J. Bazley 1, Miss C. A. Parkins 2, C. Langstroth 3, J. Langstroth 4, J. Garlick 5, Dr. H. Wales 6, J. McKell (conductor) 7, H. Birtwhistle 8.

In a touch of 576 Kent Treble Bob the tenor was taken by Hy. Horner (Skipton). This was followed by odd lengths of Stedman Triples, etc., a 560 Double Norwich being lost when 'within sight of land.'

At the ending up of the old year 1921, and the entrance of the new, Mirfield Parish Church ringers rang a date touch, 1,922 changes of Kent Treble Bob Major, beginning at 10.55 on December 31st, and finishing at 1.15 a.m. on January 1st, on their heavy eight bells, the tenor being 31 cwt. The ringers were: B. Robinson 1, P. Gott 2, T. Crawshaw 3, A. North (conductor) 4, W. Smith 5, J. P. Lapish 6, A. Robinson 7, J. E. Dawson 8.

At St. John's, Weston-super-Mare, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) was rung in 47 minutes, on New Year's Eve: W. Craudon 1, C. Parker (conductor) 2, W. Tanner 3, E. Parker 4, W. Popham 5, L. Tanner 6, W. Pitman 7, J. Blackmore 8. First quarter on inside bells by ringers of the 5th and 6th, and first attempt as conductor.



## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

### SUNNING BRANCH'S SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The annual meeting of the Sunning Deanery Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at Wokingham on Saturday week. A service was held in All Saints' Church, and was well attended. The Rev. B. Long (Rector) officiated, and an address was given by Canon Coleridge, from Eph. vi., 7, 'With good will doing service, as unto the Lord, and not to men.' He said that the past year had seen a flood of difficulties all over the country and the world, which could not possibly have been foreseen, but they were beginning to pass away, and better days were emerging. While the nations looked forward with hope, they of the Guild did the same. There had been a rapid recovery from the days of warfare, when the belfries had been stripped of their best men, and when many a noble woman had come forward to take their place. Goodwill had been exemplified among ringers, the few exceptions only proving the rule. The true ringer should always be willing to impart to others what he knew himself.

Mr. A. Yould, F.R.C.O., presided at the organ.

Tea was afterwards served in the Church House, when the chairman of the Branch, the Rev. K. H. Hart Davis, presided. Amongst those present were: Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Guild), the Rev. Canon Coleridge (Rural Dean), the Revs. B. Long, J. W. Anderson, S. M. Winter, A. P. Carr, F. M. C. Hare, Mr. R. T. Hibbert (secretary of the Guild) and Mr. F. Dentry (secretary of the branch).

The annual business meeting followed. The balance sheet was submitted, showing a balance in hand of £11 8s. 5d., as against £10 10s. 10d. last year. During the past year the membership had increased from 153 to 156. The non-members had decreased by two to 24, due to changes of incumbents. Ringing members had increased by five. Two peals had been rung within the branch during the year, one at All Saints', Wokingham, and one at Sandhurst. Combined practices had been held in nearly every tower, and had been well attended. The committee for these practices deserved every thanks.

A resolution to this effect was passed.

An application from Waltham St. Lawrence tower, asking for admission to the branch, was accepted.—Mr. W. E. Mortimer is the foreman of this tower.

The Rev. R. H. Hart Davis was re-elected chairman of the branch, and Mr. F. Dentry secretary and treasurer. The belfry foremen were elected to form the committee, and Messrs. Moth, Wright, Rance and Brooks were chosen representatives of the branch on the Guild Committee.—Messrs. Moth, White (Hurst), Rance, Brooks and Grant were elected the committee for combined practices.

During the evening a number of toasts were honoured, including 'the Rural Dean,' 'the Organist' (Mr. A. Yould), and 'the Ladies,' who served the tea.

In responding to 'The Guild,' the Rev. R. H. Hart Davis spoke upon the Guild finances. With a balance brought forward from last year of 4 guineas, the year had been a difficult one. After a grant from the reserve fund of £57 11s. 9d., a balance in hand of £47 19s. 9d. was left. The reserve fund balance was £1 2s. 9d., while War Stock still held (after selling £256) was £60, so the funds in hand amounted to £109 2s. 6d. The printing of the annual report still proved very expensive.

The War Memorial Fund of the Guild had £1 16s. 4d. in hand, after subscriptions of £70 16s. 5d., with 8s. interest had come in. The Guild Festival was to be held this year again at Oxford.

Mr. Hibbert, the Guild secretary, also responded to the toast, and referred to the photos of the Guild Memorial at Oxford.

East Isley bells had been augmented, and now numbered eight instead of five.

Two new and powerful branches had been formed to rival the Sunning Deanery. A branch like that was worth belonging to, and if backed up with goodwill they could not go far wrong.

The chairman was heartily thanked for presiding, and this closed the meeting.

The local towers were opened for ringing during the day.

## YOUTHFUL RINGERS AT OLD WINDSOR.

Thanks to the energy and perseverance of Mr. W. Welling (conductor) and Mr. J. Gutteridge (steeplo keeper), the Parish Church possesses a band of boy ringers which is probably unique in the country. Their names are F. Tindall, W. Tindall, E. Neighbour, F. Middleton, A. Cross, R. Franklin, R. Wood and E. Gosling. The average age of the band is 15½ years, and all are members of the local Scout Troop (7th Windsor). On Christmas Day they took the principal part in the ringing, and now take their share in the Sunday Service ringing. Mr. Welling has also taught them handbell ringing, in which they can now give a very good account of themselves.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**BUSHEY, HERTS.**—Bushey Society.—On Sunday, January 22nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 41 mins.: J. J. Allen 1, P. Parslow 2, W. C. L. Prior 3, F. A. Smith 4, W. G. Whitehead 5, W. Seeley 6, M. F. R. Hibbert (conductor) 7, W. I. Oakley 8. Rung as a farewell to W. Prior, who is leaving for Christchurch, Hants, his brother ringers wishing him every success. First quarter of Stedman Triples by P. Parslow. This quarter-peal is from the Rev. H. Law James's 7-Part (adapted by G. R. Fardon), and published in 'The Ringing World' on July 15th, 1921. Also recently, on handbells, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, by: W. Hodgetts 1—2, F. W. Brinklow 3—4, H. Eden 5—6, M. F. R. Hibbert (conductor, first quarter on handbells) 7—8.

**READING.**—On Sunday, January 22nd, at St. Giles' Church, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 44 mins.: J. H. Barnes, junr., 1, L. T. Osborne 2, H. Egby 3, R. Bishop 4, A. W. Osborne 5, H. Osborne 6, R. N. Runham (conductor) 7, J. H. Barnes, senr., 8. \* First quarter-peal of Stedman.

**ACTON.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, January 22nd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: M. England 1, H. Wincoate 2, C. Brown 3, E. W. Coulson 4, S. D. Breeze 5, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 6, Robt. Fardon 7, E. Easton 8.—For evensong a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Robt. Fardon 1, Miss Irene Hastie 2, S. D. Breeze 3, R. H. Boddington 4, Robt. Holloway 5, H. Wincoate 6, W. Lawrence (conductor) 7, A. E. Smith 8.

**SKIRBECK, BOSTON.**—Lincoln Diocesan Guild.—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Sunday, January 22nd, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 24 mins.: F. Staffurth 1, A. H. Palmer (conductor) 2, F. Darby (first of Treble Bob) 3, W. E. Clarke 4, H. Palmer 5, A. Swain 6.

**NEWBURY, BERKS.**—On January 15th, for evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples: C. Pool 1, E. Smith 2, C. Pearce 3, E. W. S. Quintin 4, E. W. Atkins (London) 5, E. Crocker 6, H. W. Curtis (longest touch as conductor) 7, E. Challis 8, followed by Stedman Doubles.

**BRENTWOOD.**—On Sunday, January 15th, for evensong, at the Church of St. Thomas-the-Martyr, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: E. D. Baker 1, G. R. Pye (conductor) 2, H. F. Dawkins 3, E. J. Butler 4, W. Leggett 5, A. Tarbut, junr., 6, Wesley Watson 7, A. Rainbird 8.

## TWO QUARTER PEALS.

1,280 BOB MAJOR.

23158 W B H

52364

36524

36245

24365

32465

43265

64235

23645

42356

34256

23456

G. R. NEWTON.

1,259 GRANDSIRE CATERS.

23456789

42356978 1—4

34256 9 in 3

63452879 1—3

25364 9 in 2

42563978 1—3

54263 9 in 3

35462879 1—3

43562 8 in 3

24365978 1—3

32465 9 in 3

23465879 1—3—4

42365 8 in 3

34265 8 in 3

E. C. SHEPHERD.

GET YOUR  
RINGING  
FRIENDS  
TO SUPPORT

THE RINGING  
WORLD

BY  
TAKING  
A COPY  
EVERY  
WEEK.

## NOTICES.

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, Commercial Road, Woking.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**BRISTOL UNITED GUILD' FIRST ANNUAL DINNER**, Grand Hotel, Broad Street, Bristol, Feb. 18th, at 6.30 p.m.—Ringing from 3 p.m. Announcement later. Tickets 6/., to be had from Bristol Branch and tower officials, or from Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankards' Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**SALOP GUILD**.—Annual meeting on Jan. 28th at St. Chad's. Ringing. Service 5.30 p.m. Address by the President, the Archdeacon of Salop. Tea, 6.20 p.m., 1s. 6d., if ordered before 24th inst. from Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec., St. Alkmund's Vicarage. Meeting after tea.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION** (Western Branch).—A quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', Worcester, on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Service at 4.30 prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available before the meeting. St. Helen's afterwards. Tea will be provided.—R. G. Knowles, Branch Sec., Madresfield, Malvern.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Lewisham District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at St. John's, Lewisham, High Road, on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5.30 p.m. Tea to follow in St. John's Hall, 1s. per head. Subscriptions are now due, and should be paid at this meeting.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Northern Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Kidderminster on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Bells available from 2 to 3.30 p.m. Then assemble in Broad Street Schools for handbell ringing, tea and meeting. Free tea at 4.30 p.m. Service in church at 5.30 p.m. Bells available again from 6 to 9 p.m. 1922 subscriptions now due.—A. Davies, 29, Hampton Street, Netherton, Dudley.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY**.—The next quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 28th, at the Church of St. James, Whitfield (Glossop). Tower open 3.30. Business meeting 7.—Chas. Bower, Hon. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION**.—Derby District.—The annual meeting of the above district will be held at Derby on Jan. 28th. The bells of St. Alkmund's will be available from 3 till 8 p.m. Meeting to take place at 6 p.m.—A. Braines, 94, Chester Green Road, Derby.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Chew Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Long Ashton on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Bells available 2.30. Service 4. Tea and business meeting at the Church House at 5.—Percy G. Yeo, Long Ashton, near Bristol.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Archdeaconry of Ely.—A district meeting will be held at Stetchworth, about three miles from Newmarket, on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Tea and meeting at the White Horse, Stetchworth, at 5 o'clock. Three five-bell towers will be available for ringing: Woodditton 3 to 4.30, Stetchworth and Dullingham after tea.—A. E. Austin, Dis. Sec., 4, Hille View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Hereford District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Hereford on Saturday, Jan. 28th. St. Nicholas (6 bells) 3 to 4.30 p.m. All Saints (8) 3 to 5 p.m. Cathedral (10) 7.30 to 9 p.m. Meet west door 7.15. Service All Saints' 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5.45, Spread Eagle Hotel.—C. Edwards, Gt. Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next annual meeting will be held at Weston-super-Mare on Saturday, the 28th inst. Service 5.30. Tea and meeting after service. Bells (8) afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, 35, Oxford Street, Burnham-on-Sea.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**.—Annual General meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 28th, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields Church. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided in the Church House at 5.30 p.m., followed by business meeting.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7D, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Rd. N.7.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—The Annual meeting of the Association will be held at Pickering on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Bells (8) available from 11 a.m. Divine Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m. Preacher, Rev. E. Drage, M.A., Vicar of Pickering. The Annual Reports will be on sale at this meeting.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. General Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION**.—Nottingham district.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Nottingham, on Saturday, Jan. 28th, for the election of officers for the ensuing year. Ringing from 4.30 to 8 p.m.—Meeting 6 p.m. All ringers welcome.—T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

**HERTS ASSOCIATION**.—Watford district.—A meeting will be held at Rickmansworth on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Bells open at 3.30. Tea at 5 p.m., at Mrs. Barrett's, Church Street. Service at 6 p.m. Those intending to be present will greatly oblige by notifying me.—H. Eden, Hon. Sec., 11, Pinner Road, Watford.

**SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—A meeting for the whole Diocese will be held in St. Mary-le-Tower Church House, on Saturday, Feb. 4th, at 3.30 p.m., when the Bishop has promised to preside. Bells available from 2 p.m., at St. Mary-le-Tower, St. Margaret's, St. Clement's, and St. Matthew's. All Suffolk ringers are invited to this meeting (the first general one) so that any opinion may be expressed before the organisation is finally settled.—H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION**.—Central District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Mitcham on Saturday, Feb. 4th, 1922. The bells at Christ Church (6) and the Parish Church (8) will be open for ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 5 at the Parish Church. Tea at 5.45, followed by business meeting. Members intending to be present at tea are specially asked to notify Mr. J. A. Lambert, 6, Pincott Road, Merton, S.W. 19, not later than Wednesday, 1st Feb. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Devizes Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Warminster, on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—The closing date for the payment of the 1s. 8d. subscription is Feb. 28th. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on Feb. 2nd and 16th; \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 7th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 9th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 21st; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards. — William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Great Waltham on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Club Room at 5 o'clock. Buses leave Chelmsford Station 2.15 and 3.20 p.m., returning from Great Waltham 7.15 and 9.18 p.m. Will all members intending to be present please notify me on or before Wednesday, Feb. 1st.—P. Timson, Dis. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Winchester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Alton on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells at 2.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Those requiring same let me know by Jan. 31st.—W. T. Tucker, Dist. Sec., 71, High Street, Eastleigh.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Isle of Wight District.—Next meeting at Brading, St. Mary's (8), Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells ready 2.30. Service, 4. Tea and business meeting, 4.30. Kindly inform undersigned by 31st inst. how many require tea.—W. Upton, Hon. Dist. Sec., 10, Elm Grove, Newport, I.W.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Islip on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells available 2.30. Service, 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—J. Nickerson, Halford Street, Thrapston.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Thurlaston on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells (5) available at 4 o'clock.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be at Great Chart on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells available from 2 p.m.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The Annual meeting of this district will be held at Tonbridge on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 5. Tea in the Parish Room after service, followed by business meeting. All members requiring tea must notify the Dist. Sec. not later than Tuesday, Feb. 7th.—W. Latter, Hon. Dist. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Branch.—A Combined Practice will be held at Binfield on Saturday, Feb. 4th, from 6 till 9 p.m.—Jos. White, Hon. Sec., Combined Practice Committee.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, 4th Feb., at St. Bartholomew's, Bolton. Bells available 5 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—A meeting will be held at Rotherham on Saturday, 4th Feb. Tea will be provided at a nominal charge in the Parish Church Hall for all those who notify Mr. S. Briggs, 9, Mansfield Road, Rotherham. The bells (10) of the Parish Church, and at St. Stephen's (8), will

be available before and after tea.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The usual Monthly meeting will be held on Feb. 4th at St. Chad's, Far Headingley. Bells available from 6 to 9 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Tower.—M. Moorhouse, Hon. Sec., 10, Mitford Road, Armley.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Reading Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Reading, on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4. Tea at St. Mary's School Room, Hosier Street, at 5 p.m. at 1/- each to all who let me know their intention of being present by Wednesday, Feb. 1st; others 2/6. Business meeting to follow. Ringing will be resumed after the meeting at St. Mary's, St. Giles' and St. Laurence's.—F. W. Hopgood, Hon. Sec., 75, Kensington Road, Reading.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual General meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells available: Bishopsgate and St. Andrew, Holborn, 2.45—4.0 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, 2.30; Service, 4.30; Tea in Parish House, Clare Market, 5.30; business meeting, 6.30. Members requiring tea must advise by Feb. 4th.—A. D. Barker, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Herne St. nr. Herne Bay, on Saturday, Feb. 11th, bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea can be arranged at 1/6 per head for all those who let me know not later than Feb. 4th. Subscriptions are now due, and should be forwarded as soon as possible, or can be paid at this meeting.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Isleworth on Saturday, Feb. 11th (by permission of the Rev. Dr. H. M. Relton and Churchwardens), who will entertain our members to tea. Visitors, other than members, will be asked to pay 1/3. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 5.30. Tea at 6. Will all those who intend to be present kindly let me know by the 6th, and oblige, for welcome awaits them.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice:—St. Martin's, second Monday in the month, at 7.30 p.m.; Shoreditch, 3rd Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. Services, 2nd and 4th Sundays, 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7D, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATIONS WANTED.

Minor Method Ringer requires suitable SITUATION. Ex-service Student, Salford Royal Technical Institute (Textile Dept.) and Manchester High School of Commerce. Experienced in Cloth Construction, Analysis and Calculation. Practical Weaver on Northrop's. Knowledge of Book-keeping. Keen and reliable. Would instruct young band. Good refs.—John Fidler, 26, Grove Street, Hazel Grove, Cheshire.

Change ringer and Conductor on 6 or 8 seeks work, Labourer, Gardener or Sexton, willing to instruct and help beginners. — Box 11, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.



**DEATH.**

**BOWER.**—On Friday, Jan. 20th, at Star Cottage, Goring, the wife of J. Bower (foreman of the local band), age 58 years.

**PUBLICATIONS.**

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers 1. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.** — For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

**A 'SURPRISING' EVENT.**

The following gem from a Midland paper has just come to hand:—  
'CHANGE RINGING.

In honour of the re-election of the churchwardens, a peal of Grand-sire, Single, Bob, Single, surprises, consisting of many changes, was rang yesterday upon the three bells of St. Peter's Parish Church. When round was called, the bells were clanged in peal and lowered in grand style. The peal was composed and conducted by the leader of the band, who is to be highly congratulated upon his fine performance.'

**METHODS NAMED.**

A 720 of Method No. 20, page 7 of the C.C. Collection, was rung on handbells on January 20th, at Long Stanton, by: Rev. H. B. Woolley 1—2, J. B. Woolley (conductor) 3—4, C. W. Woolley, 5—6. The band wish to name it 'Long Stanton.'

A 720 of Method No. 21, page 7, C.C. Collection, was rung on handbells, at Long Stanton Vicarage, on Jan. 22nd, by: Rev. H. B. Woolley 1—2, J. B. Woolley 3—4, C. W. Woolley (conductor) 5—6. The band wish to call this method 'Stoke-by-Nayland.'

**YORKSHIRE STONE.**

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

**BELL ROPES**

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**

LIMITED,

**COVENTRY.**

MAKERS SINCE 1730.

**RINGERS!**

Please send your enquiries.  
**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

**Clewellins**

**& James, Ltd.,**

**CHURCH BELLS SINGLY OR IN RINGS.**

Bell Frames in Cast Iron, Steel  
and Oak.

Bells tuned on the latest improved principles initiated by the late Canon Simpson.

**CASTLE GREEN**

**BRISTOL**

# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

• REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	1	0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCHE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

JOHN PRITCHARD,  
Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-  
hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed, Hand-  
bells in sets Chromatic or Diatonic.



### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER, Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 568. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3rd, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### A 'LIVE' DIRECTORY.

A correspondent who was in London during recent holidays, and was unable to get any ringing at the towers he visited, raises a question that has several times been discussed before, viz., the publication of a directory of information giving the ringing times at all the churches in the country. This might prove of considerable occasional use to a number of ringers when paying visits to distant places, but there are serious obstacles to the carrying out of the suggestion. Obviously, unless the publication were undertaken as a private speculation, which we doubt if anyone would be prepared to face, the only body to issue such a directory would be the Central Council and here at once, assuming the practical utility of such a publication, the financial difficulty comes in, for the Council already has many important works hung up for want of funds.

But finance would be only one of the obstacles. Ringers are notoriously indifferent in matters which only indirectly concern them individually, and by the time all the information could be collected and printed, much of it would already be out of date—so constantly are changes made.

A system, however, suggests itself to us whereby the information—kept as thoroughly up to date as any ringing information can be—could be made available to all ringers, and it is this: Each Association should compile the particulars (which might include the number of bells and the methods rung, as well as the hours of ringing and the name and address of the secretary or other responsible officer) of every tower in its area, whether affiliated or not, and it should be impressed upon local secretaries that any alterations should be promptly notified. Much of the information is already in the hands of some societies, but the vital connecting link is that the secretary of every association should be supplied with the name and address of the secretary of every other Association (and here the Central Council could lend a hand). Then, when a ringer wished to visit another area, he could send to his own Association secretary asking for the information he needed. This could be passed on to the Secretary whose Association covers the area or tower proposed to be visited, and he, with the information at his disposal, could supply the required particulars direct to the original inquirer.

By this means there would be in existence an up-to-date directory, accessible to anyone in any part of the country, which could be maintained at very little cost and which, if in the hands of capable secretaries, would never become the useless collection of statistics which a printed volume would rapidly develop into. But to achieve success, the effort needs co-ordination, and in this the Central Council could take the initiative.



# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 155, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes;  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 38½ cwt.

GEORGE RADLEY ... .. Treble	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	*GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. 8
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 9
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 4	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 10
WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... .. 5	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 11
PRYCE TAYLOR ... .. 6	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.  
† First peal on 12 bells. \* First peal of Stedman Cinques. The above was the conductor's 100th peal of Stedman Cinques.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

PERCY HARRISON ... .. Treble	ROBERT RICHARDSON ... .. 6
LOUIS E. ALLEN ... .. 2	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 7
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 3	DET. SGT. H. G. JENNEY ... .. 8
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 4	* R. HENRY BARTRAM ... .. 9
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 5	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM PYE. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.  
\* First peal of Cambridge Royal. First in the method on the bells.  
J. Oldham's 100th peal. Rung in honour of the visit, on the 19th, of H.R.H. Prince Henry to open the War Memorial Hospital, the gift of Col. Dalgliesh, C.B., J.P.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

STANSTED, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Jan. 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

FREDERICK BIRD ... .. Treble	THOMAS J. WATTS ... .. 5
* ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... .. 2	* WALTER AYRE ... .. 6
THOMAS JORDAN ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. PRIOR ... .. 7
HENRY DEW ... .. 4	GEORGE JORDAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by GEORGE JORDAN.  
\* First peal of Cambridge Major.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 25½ cwt.

ALBERT D. STONE ... .. Treble	JOHN JAY ... .. 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 2	JOHN DEARLOVE ... .. 6
WILLIAM R. MADGWICK ... .. 3	KEITH HART ... .. 7
ALFRED W. GROVES ... .. 4	WILLIAM HART ... .. Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

HULL.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION  
(EASTERN DISTRICT.)

On Thursday, Jan. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	FRED OSGERBY ... .. 5
HARRY RODMELL ... .. 2	JOHN H. HOWELL ... .. 6
ARTHUR M. C. FIELD ... .. 3	LEONARD RODMELL ... .. 7
THOMAS S. MORTON ... .. 4	WILLIAM MIDDLETON ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES. Conducted by G. F. WILLIAMS.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to Thomas S. Morton. The figures of this peal appeared in the 'Ringing World' of August 5th, 1921, and the composition is now believed to be rung for the first time.

**BARTON-ON-HUMBER, LINCOLNSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, Jan. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Peter,*

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. in F sharp.

*ARTHUR W. HOODLESS ... Treble	ARTHUR M. C. FIELD ... 5
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... 2	THOMAS S. MORTON ... 6
*WALTER GODDARD ... 3	*JOHN H. HOWELL ... 7
HARRY RODMELL ... 4	LEONARD RODMELL ... Tenor

Composed by FRED DENCH. Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

\* First peal in the method, also first in the method on the bells.

**CRAYFORD, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, Jan. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Paulinus,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

SPENCER MARSHALL ... Treble	ERNEST H. OXENHAM ... 5
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 2	JOHN WHEADON ... 6
HENRY RAYNER ... 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... 7
HERBERT AUDSLEY ... 4	JOHN MORETON ... Tenor

Conducted by SPENCER MARSHALL.

Ernest H. Oxenham was re-elected a member previous to starting.

**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, Jan. 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes.*

*At the Bell Foundry Campanile,*

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 6½ cwt.

*WILLIAM THORLEY ... Treble	JOHN OLDHAM ... 5
JOHN SADDINGTON ... 2	WILLIAM SMITH ... 6
ERNEST W. LESLIE ... 3	EDWARD READER ... 7
PRYCE TAYLOR ... 4	ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALFRED C. WRIGHT.

\* First Surprise peal. Author's peal No. 75F, and is now rung for the first time.

**HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.**

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,*

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN EVANS ... Treble	WILLIAM WELLING ... 5
ERNEST W. MENDAY ... 2	WILLIAM HENLEY ... 6
CECIL C. MAYNE ... 3	GEORGE MARTIN ... 7
FRANK BOREHAM ... 4	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN.

**HUNSLET, YORKS.**

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Mary,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

CHARLES E. LAWSON ... Treble	GEORGE McHALE ... 5
JAMES R. KEMP ... 2	FREDERICK W. DIXON ... 6
WILLIAM E. H. ASH ... 3	FRANCIS BARKER ... 7
PATRICK TARVAN ... 4	HENRY SMITH ... Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. DIXON.

**OLDHAM, LANC.**

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**

*On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Thomas, Moorside,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

TAYLOR'S BOB AND SINGLE.

Tenor 18 cwt. 0 qr. 18 lb.

FRANK BERRY ... Treble	SAMUEL HOLT ... 5
*JAMES COX ... 2	SAMUEL M. BUTTERWORTH ... 6
MISS C. THORPE ... 3	BENJAMIN THORPE ... 7
JAMES WM. TAYLOR ... 4	CHARLES PLATT ... Tenor

Conducted by BENJAMIN THORPE.

\* First peal.

**WALTHAMSTOW, E.**

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(St. Saviour's Society.)

*On Friday, Jan. 20, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute.*

*At the Church of St. Saviour,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

GEORGE R. PYE ... Treble	ERNEST D. LILLYWHITE ... 5
FRED C. MAYNARD ... 2	HERBERT WOOD ... 6
*GEORGE W. COOPER ... 3	GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN. ... 7
HAROLD A. EDWARDS ... 4	JOHN COLEMAN ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

Rung in honour of the 21st birthday of Miss Lilywhite; also of her engagement to Mr. Walter Steed, a member of the local band, who was unfortunately prevented by illness from calling the peal. \* First peal.

**FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.**

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Friday, Jan. 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Lawrence,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

FRANCIS BIBBY ... Treble	HENRY C. COLLYER ... 5
EDWARD JENKINS ... 2	*LEONARD BOSTOCK ... 6
ARTHUR UNSWORTH ... 3	WILLIAM BIBBY ... 7
GEORGE H. RANGLES ... 4	CECIL RADDON ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (143).

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal and hails from Stretton. He is the first native of Stretton to ring a peal. W. Bibby has now rung each bell in this tower to a peal.

**IBTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.**

**THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Peter,*

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN R. MAIN ... Treble	JAMES T. WARD ... 5
WALTER PERKINS ... 2	GEORGE BASFORD ... 6
CHARLES W. BIRD ... 3	*GEORGE LINES ... 7
ANDERSON Y. TYLER ... 4	JOHN J. MAWBY ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ANDERSON Y. TYLER.

\* First peal in the method.

**WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE.**

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Paul,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

ALFRED POTTER ... Treble	JOSEPH RIDYARD ... 5
FRED GRUNDY ... 2	JOSEPH H. RIDYARD ... 6
PERCY H. DERBYSHIRE ... 3	JOHN POTTER ... 7
*JAMES DENNER ... 4	ARTHUR BURTON ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

\* First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the coming of age of Mr. Frank Potter, son of the conductor.

**KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.**

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes.*

*At the Church of All Saints,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb.

JOHN W. LANE ... Treble	ALBERT E. WEEDEN ... 5
LOUIS A. WALKER ... 2	ALFRED G. COOK ... 6
ARTHUR H. HILL ... 3	ALFRED J. ROGERS ... 7
REGINALD S. COOK ... 4	JAMES HAYWOOD ... Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD S. COOK.

This is the first peal ever rung on the bells, also the first peal by all the ringers, who are resident members of King's Langley band.

ABBOTT'S LEIGH.—On Saturday, December 31st, 720 Kent Treble Bob, half-muffled, in 25 mins.: G. Chamberlain 1, G. Bennet 2, W. Frampton 3, \*J. Ackerman 4, E. Frampton 5, L. Moore (conductor) 6. \* First 720 of Kent.

BENGELO, HERTFORD.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION  
AND THE HERTFORD COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 7½ cwt.

GEORGE H. BARKER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE ... 5
BARNARD PATMORE ... .. 2	GEORGE GRAY ... .. 6
REGINALD DORE ... .. 3	JOSEPH LADLEY ... .. 7
HERBERT J. GRAY ... .. 4	HERBERT BAKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES.

Conducted by COL. H. BAKER.

Rung in honour of the marriage of Lieut. G. M. Baker, youngest son of Mr. Alfred Baker, Town Clerk of Hertford, and Miss Nancy Friend, of Canterbury, which took place at Bardulla, Ceylon. The band was hospitably entertained to dinner after the peal by Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Baker at their residence, 'The Limes.' This was the first peal in this method on the bells, which were augmented to eight two years ago by Mr. and Mrs. Baker, as a thankoffering for the safe return of their two sons from the war. It was also a birthday compliment to G. H. Barker.

HORWICH, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb.

FRED ABBOTT ... .. Treble	JOSEPH LEATHERBARROW ... 5
*H. STANLEY ROBINSON ... 2	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... 6
GEORGE POONALL ... .. 3	SAMUEL GREENHALGH ... 7
TITUS BARLOW ... .. 4	RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by B. A. KNIGHTS.

\* First peal of Treble Eight.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF DUBLIN SURPRISE MAJOR, 5688 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. Treble	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 2	ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 6
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 3	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 7
FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 4	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

This method is now rung for the first time.

STANFORD-ON-SOAR, NOTTS.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Monday, Jan. 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM THORLEY ... .. Treble	HARRY WHITTLE ... .. 5
WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 2	*THOMAS ATKINS ... .. 6
RICHARD PAINE ... .. 3	EDWARD READER ... .. 7
ERNEST W. CARTWRIGHT ... 4	ALFRED HARRAD ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by EDWARD READER.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples, also the 100th peal rung for the Midland Counties Association by Harry Whittle.

SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Jan. 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. Treble	SAMUEL E. TAYLOR ... .. 5
ERNEST J. DOBBIE ... .. 2	*THOMAS JOLL ... .. 6
WILLIAM NYE ... .. 3	STANLEY B. DOBBIE ... .. 7
WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 4	EDWARD A. G. ALLEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M.

\* 100th peal.

LINCOLN.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-AT-ARCHES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 19 cwt.

*CHAS. MCGUINNESS ... .. Treble	*GEO. E. ALMONDS ... .. 5
*C. BERT CHESTER ... .. 2	*LEWIS SNELL ... .. 6
*H. LESLIE PASK ... .. 3	HAROLD MARCON ... .. 7
GEO. CHESTER ... .. 4	*ARTHUR H. A. MARCON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by LEWIS SNELL.

\* First peal. This peal was rung to celebrate the coming of age of the conductor and the ringer of the 7th, and also as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.  
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17½ cwt.

ANDREW TULLY ... .. Treble	R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 5
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 2	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... 6
GEORGE R. HOLMES ... .. 3	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 7
WILLIAM L. GOFTON ... .. 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

Rung on the festival of the conversion of St. Paul, and on the 9th anniversary of the dedication of the bells.

SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN THORPE ... .. Treble	FRANCIS WARD ... .. 5
HARRY BOWER ... .. 2	WILLIAM BIGGIN ... .. 6
HAYDN THORPE ... .. 3	GEORGE HOLMES ... .. 7
A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... 4	WILLIAM CHOWN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by WILLIAM CHOWN.

First peal as conductor. First peal of Bob Major by the ringer of the 7th, and rung on the eve of the 41st anniversary of his wedding.

ASHTED, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE MARRINER ... .. Treble	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 5
*WILLIAM BEESON, JUN. ... 2	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 6
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETS ... .. 7
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 4	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by O. SIPPETS.

\* First peal in the method. This is believed to be the first peal of Cambridge on the bells.

ORMSKIRK, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

LINDOFF'S 20-PART.

Tenor 25 cwt. 3 qr.

JOHN H. SHOLICAR ... .. Treble	EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. 5
JAMES SHOLICAR ... .. 2	JAMES R. PARK ... .. 6
JOHN W. PILKINGTON ... .. 3	JOHN GARDINER ... .. 7
WILLIAM FAIRCLOUGH ... 4	ALFRED HALTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. R. PARK.

Rung in honour of the conductor's silver wedding. The ringer of the 5th hails from Liverpool, and with the ringers of the 2nd, 4th and 7th, rung for the wedding.

ECKINGTON, DERBY.—On Saturday, January 14th, owing to a peal attempt having to be abandoned, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260): \*B. Ditcher 1, W. Chown 2, T. O'Hara 3, \*P. Jervis 4, J. E. L. Cockey 5, P. Knights 6, W. Biggin (conductor) 7, W. Palmer 8. \* 1st quarter-peal in the method.



**TOTTENHAM, N. MIDDLESEX.**  
**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 19 cwt.

JOHN THOMAS ... .. Treble	ALLAN R. MACDONALD ... 5
HENRY BARNETT ... .. 2	MAJOR J. B. H. HESSE ... 6
CHARLES V. HARE ... .. 3	WILLIAM SABAN ... .. 7
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 4	W. PATMORE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\* First peal. J. W. Jones hails from Newport.

**LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
 AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 6½ cwt.

WILLIAM SMITH ... .. Treble	EDWARD READER ... .. 5
JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 2	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 6
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 3	JOHN TAYLOR ... .. 7
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 4	THOMAS H. VALLANCE ... Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

First peal in the method by the ringer of the 7th, who hails from Stafford. He was elected a life-member of the Association before starting.

**ALVERSTOKE, HANTS.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	JOSIAH D. HARRIS ... .. 5
*GEORGE POLLINGER ... .. 2	RICHARD J. STONE ... .. 6
HENRY G. REYNOLDS ... .. 3	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... 7
FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 4	EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First peal on the bells. \* First peal in the method.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

**BARKSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.**  
**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**

On Saturday, Jan. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

*JOHN W. KIRTON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM STOKES ... .. 4
REV. C. J. STURTON ... .. 2	WALTER WHITE ... .. 5
ARTHUR DRURY ... .. 3	ARTHUR MACKEARS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER WHITE.

\* First peal in seven methods.

**WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, Jan. 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of London, Wells, Durham, York, Ipswich, Cambridge and Norwich Surprise.

ALPHEDS J. BERRY ... .. Treble	WILLIAM CLOVER ... .. 4
JAMES BETTS ... .. 2	ERNEST F. POPPY ... .. 5
GEORGE BROWN, JUN. ... 3	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE CATTERMOLLE.

First Surprise peal on the bells. Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Day, of Eye. The ringers of 1st, 4th and 6th hail from Thornham, 2nd from Wetheringsett, 3rd from Mellis and 5th from Stoke Ash.

**ALFRED BOWELL.**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

**STOKE EDITH, HEREFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Sunday, Jan. 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure & Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

CRIS. BOWERS ... .. Treble	E. WILLIAM TURNER ... .. 4
GEOFFREY LEWIS ... .. 2	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 5
DAVID HORNE ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. CAMM.

**WICKEN, NORTHANTS.**

**THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of College Single, Double Court, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob & Plain Bob. Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE M. COOPER ... .. Treble	THOMAS E. ROBERTS ... .. 4
LEONARD A. SMITH ... .. 2	ALBERT J. GREEN ... .. 5
FREDERICK C. CASE ... .. 3	THOMAS E. READ ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. J. GREEN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to F. C. Case, on the eve of his 21st birthday.

**TEYNHAM, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of College Single, Double Oxford, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob & Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

SAMUEL TAYLOR ... .. Treble	THOMAS JULL ... .. 4
CLR-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. 2	CHARLES TUMBER ... .. 5
WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 3	WILLIAM NYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM NYE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to Mrs. W. Laker, wife of Mr. W. Laker, one of the local ringers.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

**BREWOOD, STAFFORD.**

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
 AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. JOHN PERRY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with 10 different callings.

JOHN PERRY ... .. 1—2	*H. E. BOOTH ... .. 4
*A. G. HUNT ... .. 3	THOMAS PERRY ... .. 5—6

Conducted by JOHN PERRY.

Witness and Umpire: MISS M. E. PERRY.

\* First peal with a working bell and also first peal on handbells.

**CLAPHAM, S.W.**

**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

On Friday, Jan. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
 AT 63A, OLD TOWN,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 16 in B flat.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 1—2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 5—6
*HAROLD P. JAMES ... .. 3—4	WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... .. 7—8
†CHARLES R. GRIMWOOD ... 9—10	

Composed and Conducted by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

Umpire: MRS. FRANK I. HAIRS.  
 \* First peal of Royal. † First peal of Bob Royal on handbells.  
 ‡ First peal on handbells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. F. Bennett.

**HARWICH, ESSEX.**  
**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

On Friday, Jan. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
 AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANCES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by E. MULLINS, Birmingham. Conducted by the performer.  
 Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

### QUARTERLY MEETING AT BASFORD AND BULWELL.

The third quarterly meeting of the Midland Counties Association took place on Saturday, January 21st, when the bells of both Basford and Bulwell Churches were open for ringing. Interest centred around the new ring of eight at the former place, the patron saint of which bears a Latin name. On asking a Nottingham car conductor if he knew anything about St. Leodegarius, he eyed me suspiciously for a moment, then taking me for a racing man, he replied, 'Well, it won last time out, and is in the 2.30 at Lingfield.' I told him it was a church I was looking for, but he said it was not in his book. Strange to say, later on at tea, the Vicar of the place told us that the name was actually given to it in connection with the famous race on Doncaster Town Moor.

Ringers, to the number of fifty or more, made good use of the handy ring during the afternoon and evening, when everything from Grandsire to Bristol and London Surprise was rung to the satisfaction of all concerned. Contingents from Chesterfield, Bolsover, Derby, Nottingham, Loughborough, Leicester, and other branches north of the Trent, put in an appearance, and some first-class striking was heard.

The tea and business meeting was subsequently held in the Church Hall, when an excellent repast was put before the members, thanks to the untiring energies of Messrs. Coppock, Kirkby, and their wives and daughters. The President (Ald. R. B. Chambers, J.P.), with Mrs. Chambers, occupied the post of honour, supported by the Rev. T. B. Lawson (Vicar), the Rev. C. J. Sturton (Vicar of Orston), the Rev. R. F. Wilkinson (Mansfield), the Rev. J. F. Amies (Chesterfield), Mr. P. Taylor, Mr. A. O. Wright, hon. secretary, and Mr. W. Willson, hon. treasurer. It was worthy of note that of the four clergy, three of them were ringers. One missed the well-known figure of Mr. J. Griffin, of Burton (one of the stalwarts of the Association, when it was an uphill fight to obtain the prestige it now enjoys), but among those present were Messrs. A. Knights, J. Flint, W. Wallace, E. C. Gobey, A. Ward, and quite a number of the rising generation who bid fair to keep the flag flying in the years to come.

The business of the meeting was of a routine order, the Rev. C. J. Sturton and Mr. C. Draper being unanimously re-elected auditors.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. A. C. Wright) gave a resume of the peals rung during 1921, which totalled 129 published. Of these no less than 48 were Surprise peals. The analysis of the year's ringing will be further dealt with in the annual report.

The Hon. Treasurer (Mr. W. Willson) said that although he was not able at that moment to give budget figures, it was a foregone conclusion that the Association had reached the high-water mark in their finances, chiefly owing to the valuable services of the president. The forthcoming balance sheet would show the gain they had made. The election of a number of new members was confirmed, and to the already illustrious roll of patrons, the Duke of Portland was added.

Votes of thanks to the clergy, the local officers, and the president, brought the meeting to a close. After the bells were lowered, a smoking concert was held at the local meeting-house. The Shoulder of Mutton (good name), when the Welbeck Male Quartette—which includes Mr. Albert Coppock—gave some delightful renderings of male voice music.

The annual meeting will be at Burton-on-Trent on Easter Monday. W. W.

### QUIBBLE OVER A JOINT MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Leicester District was held at St. Margaret's, Leicester, on Friday evening, January 20th. Members were present from all local towers, and from Wigston, Anstey and Kirby Muxloe. The new ring of twelve were kept going throughout the evening.

The business meeting was held in the belfry, Mr. H. W. Needham (vice-president) being in the chair.

Ratby and Groby were chosen for the next quarterly meeting, on April 1st.

It was decided to carry on the fortnightly open practice nights, and to include as many towers as possible.

Mr. W. P. Whitehead was elected a member of the Association, and the general officers were nominated for re-election en bloc.

Mr. H. W. Needham said he could not stand for re-election as local vice-president on account of business ties, and Mr. E. Morris was elected to this post for the ensuing year. Mr. H. W. Needham could not escape office so easily, however, as he was, with Mr. S. Shelton, elected to the local committee.

Mr. H. E. Norman was re-elected local secretary. Mr. Broughton asked: 'How was the Leicester and Hinckley joint meeting of November last proposed, and on what authority was it held?' He was supported by Mr. H. W. Needham, who appeared to consider the expenditure of 1s. 6d. on a notice in 'The Ringing World,' a matter of grave concern. The Secretary replied that the meeting in question was a social one, and that he used his discretion as to the best way of informing all members.—A few words of well-meant advice from the chair brought the meeting to a close.

## DUBLIN SURPRISE MAJOR.

### A NEW METHOD BY MR. G. LINDOFF.

This new method is another production of Mr. G. Lindoff, of Dublin, from whence it received its name. It is a clean proof method, and its musical qualities are the same as Suffolk Surprise, which contains the seven pull dodge behind at a bob. The Leiston band, who have now rung the first peal, consider it an improvement on Bristol. Any peal of Treble Bob will run to the method.

### THE METHOD.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2	1	4	3	6	5	8	7
1	2	3	4	6	5	7	8
2	1	4	3	5	6	8	7
2	1	3	6	5	7	8	
4	2	3	1	6	5	8	7
2	4	1	3	5	6	7	8
4	2	3	1	5	7	6	8
2	4	3	5	1	7	8	6
2	3	4	5	7	1	6	8
3	2	5	4	1	7	8	6
3	5	2	4	7	1	6	8
5	3	4	2	7	6	1	8
3	5	2	4	6	7	8	1
3	2	5	4	7	6	1	8
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1
2	4	3	6	5	8	7	1
4	2	6	3	8	5	1	7
4	6	2	3	5	8	7	1
6	4	3	2	8	5	1	7
4	6	2	3	8	1	5	7
4	2	6	3	1	8	7	5
2	4	3	6	8	1	5	7
2	3	4	6	1	8	7	5
3	2	4	1	6	8	5	7
2	3	1	4	6	5	8	7
3	2	1	4	5	6	8	7
2	1	3	4	6	5	7	8
1	2	4	3	5	6	8	7
1	4	2	6	3	8	5	7

Bob 1 4 2 3 5 6 7 8

### THE COMPOSITION.

23456	M	B	W	H
56342	1		2	2
45823		—		2
26543			2	2
25463			1	2
62534	2		2	2
65324			1	2
23564			2	2
32465	2			2
64235			2	2
62345			1	2
63425			1	2
35426	1			2
35426			1	2
24536			2	2
25346			1	2
23456			1	2

Composed by G. Lindoff.

Rung at Leiston, Jan. 21st, 1922.

Conducted by C. F. Bailey.

## CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

### NORTHAMPTON DISTRICT DISCUSSES REDUCTION OF SUBSCRIPTION.

A quarterly meeting was held at Moulton on January 21st, but owing to the unsettled weather only 18 members attended from All Saints' and St. Edmund's, Northampton; Weston Favell, Pitsford, Broughton, Kingsthorpe, and the local ringers. The Rev. C. Bach, R.D. (Rector of Overstone), conducted evensong, at which a collection for the Belfry Repair Fund amounted to 3s. 9d.

Tea was kindly served in the Parish Room by the Ladies' Committee.

At the meeting which followed, a discussion was raised as to subscriptions. It was thought that now wages were being reduced it was time the Association returned to one shilling per year, the present fee no doubt making members think before they paid. No less than one-third had not paid last year's subscription. It was decided to put the matter before the Central Committee.

The next quarterly meeting will be at Collingtree, on June 10th, 1922, and a special meeting at Great Brington on May 13th.

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Wotton-under-Edge branch of the Gloucestershire and Bristol Diocesan Association took place at Berkeley on Saturday week, the parishes represented being Berkeley, Dursley, Olveston, Thornbury, Wotton-under-Edge, Coaley, Wickwar, Stinchcombe, Slimbridge, and Chipping Sodbury. Methods rung during the afternoon and evening included Grandsire Caters, Grandsire and Stedman Triples. The Vicar (the Rev H. C. Armour) entertained the ringers to tea at the Church Room, and also presided at the business meeting, when the officers were elected as follows: Chairman of branch, Mr. F. Oakhill (Wotton-under-Edge); vice-chairman, Mr. A. Burcombe (Stinchcombe); representative on Management Committee, Mr. H. W. Fussell (Dursley); hon. secretary, Mr. W. A. Lewis (Berkeley).

In proposing Mr. Lewis for re-election, Mr. W. Dyer (Wickwar) paid a high tribute to the secretary's past services.

The next monthly meeting of the branch was fixed for Stone on February 11th.—Messrs. Gilbert Hall and Oswald Cornock, two young members of the Berkeley band of ringers, were elected members of the Association.—Thanks to the Vicar were voiced by Mr. F. K. Howell (hon. treasurer).

**METHOD EXTENSION.****DOUBLE NORWICH.***To the Editor.*

Sir,—Before proceeding to the extension of Double Norwich we must stop and consider the way in which the treble makes her way through the working bells in a plain lead.

Consider the following:—

Minimus: 2 a 3 b 4 c 2 a etc.

Minor: 2 a 3 b 5 c 6 d 4 e 2 a etc.

Major: 2 a 3 b 5 c 7 d 8 e 6 f 4 g 2 a etc.

Royal: 2 a 3 b 5 c 7 d 9 e 10 f 8 g 6 h 4 i 2 a etc.

Maximus: 2 a 3 b 5 c 7 d 9 e 11 f 12 g 10 h 8 i 6 k 4 l 2 a etc.

The working bells are arranged in plain course order and starting from rounds the treble is at a between 3 and 2 on every number of bells. We start every method by plain hunting, and the treble passes each bell in course order 2, 4, etc., until she crosses 3 at the back and then comes down under them again in the same order until she gets to lead 132, etc.

Now, in building a plain method the only bell that can make a place to alter the treble's position among the working bells is the third.

i. The third can make second's place when the treble leads and come behind the treble, and all the other bells have a single dodge; this puts the treble into position between 5 and 3 at b on the numbers above four bells, and this is the Grandsire Bob Method.

ii. The third can make 4th's place, change with the treble and make 3rd's place; then all the bells above 4th's dodge when the place is made, and all the bells below 3rd's when that place is made, and we get the same result, the treble now at b between the 3rd and 5th (vide Double Court).

iii. The 3rd can make a place; change with the treble in the middle; lead when the treble is behind; change with the treble in the middle again, and hunt down after her, the result is the same (vide Single Court).

iv. On eight bells and upwards the third can make 6th's (8th's or 10th's), 3rd's (5th's or 7th's), 8th's and hunt down behind the treble. The result is the same, the treble is at b between 3 and 5.

Now the majority of the plain hunt methods are made up of one or more of these shunts, and in extending any of these methods to a larger number of bells, we keep the same shunts and extend the plain hunting; if we alter the shunts we alter the method.

To prove this point, go back to Double Oxford Minor. There are four shunts in the lead.

1st: 4th's and 3rd's moving the treble from a to b.  
2nd: 5th's moving the treble from b to c.  
3rd: 3rd's and 4th's moving the treble from c to d.  
4th: 2nd's moving the treble from d to a.  
Now reduce the method to Minimus.  
1st: 3rd and 2nd moving the treble from a to b.  
2nd: 3rd moving the treble from b to c.  
3rd: 2nd and 3rd moving the treble from c to a.  
4th: 2nd moving the treble from a to b.

1234 3rd.

2134 "

2314 2nd.

2341 "

3241 3rd.

3214 2nd.

3124 3rd.

1324 "

1342 2nd.

These shunts are the same, and the sum total of them equal to one, and the lead end is the same as Bob Minimus which has only one shunt.

Four shunts in Major will take us to e between 8 and 6, and give the lead end 867, etc.; in Royal to e, 860, etc.; and the same in Maximus; thus the same method must produce the same lead end, and, if not, then Bob Major and Double Bob Major are the same method, which is absurd.

H. LAW JAMES.

**MRS. F. I. HAIR'S 100 PEALS.**

	On Hand- bells.	On Tower bells.
Stedman Triples .....	8	1
Stedman Caters .....	17	3
Stedman Cinques .....	7	—
Bob Major .....	24	—
Bob Royal .....	13	—
Bob Maximus .....	1	—
Grandsire Triples .....	10	1
Grandsire Caters (including 8099) .....	7	—
Kent Treble Bob Major .....	1	—
Kent Treble Bob Royal .....	1	—
Double Norwich Major .....	—	3
Superlative Surprise Major .....	—	2
Cambridge Surprise Major .....	—	1
	89	11

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,

32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.



ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

for

Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.

HANDBELLS

In Sets of any number.

BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The frequency with which the band at Leiston ring peals in new Surprise Methods is most refreshing. They have now rung the first peal of another new product by Mr. Gabriel Lindoff—Dublin Surprise Major, a half-brother to Bristol—which makes the tenth Surprise Method of which a peal has been rung in the tower.

It is hoped to hold the annual meeting of the Berks and Bucks Association at Boyne Hill, near Maidenhead, on Easter Monday. The bells, one of the finest octaves cast by John Warner and Sons, of London, are to be rehung by this firm, and the work is expected to be completed by Easter. Non-resident members of the Guild should be careful to book their seats early as a big muster is expected.

The Warrington ringers, writes a correspondent, are going strong for Forward Major—that reserved method, invented by the late Henry Johnson's young rival in the old Buffery days at Birmingham. No wonder the method was named 'Forward'—all the Bobs 'before'—in a touch or peal—must be made, and it's 'hot stuff' for the bob caller at any time.

A peal which certainly calls for a word of congratulation, is that at King's Langley, recorded this week. It is a peal of Grandsire Triples—the first peal on the bells and by all the band, who are resident members of the local company. Peals of this kind are meritorious performances.

Another, is the peal at Lincoln, with six 'first pealers.' By the way, it is good to notice the bells at the Cathedral are being rung, and that a quarter-peal has been scored on them.

The time of the handbell peal rung at Teddington, on December 29th, was 2 hrs. 30 mins., not 2 hrs. 13 mins., as published.

Those who desire to attend the Bristol United Guild's first annual dinner, on February 18th, should secure their tickets at once. Mr. C. H. Horton will officially represent the Ancient Society of College Youths, and he is sure of a welcome from his old ringing friends in the West. It is largely as the outcome of Mr. Horton's suggestion made at the last College Youths dinner, that this new social event is being held.

The number of 720's rung at Little Munden during 1921 was 47 in 15 methods.

The Lavenham company rang for every Sunday morning and evening service for the year 1921. The methods were Grandsire Triples, Steadman Triples, Bob Major, Double Norwich, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

On February 5th, 1783, a peal of 12,672 Bob Major was rung at Bromley, in 7 hrs. 48 mins., and on the same day of the month in 1888, the 12,041 Steadman Caters was rung in 7 hrs. 26 mins., at Appleton.

February 4th is the anniversary of a 10,032 Grandsire Major rung at Walsall in the year 1861.

The first peal of London Surprise on handbells was rung on Feb. 6th, 1904, at Romford, by: Messrs. G. R. Pye, W. Pye, E. Pye and W. Keeble.

Congratulations to the Yorkshire veteran, Mr. George Bolland, of Tong, upon his 70th birthday, yesterday. He was born on Feb. 2nd, 1852.

With reference to the communications which have recently appeared in our columns as to fathers and sons taking part together in peals of London Surprise, it is interesting to note that the peal of London at Whitley Bay, the record of which will be found in another column, is the third which Mr. R. Alder Goffon has rung with two sons.

Probably the first peal of London in which father and sons took part was the first peal of London in Essex rung by the Saffron Walden Society on January 10th, 1899, when Mr. Fred Pitstow and his two sons, Messrs. F. J. and Alfred Pitstow, were in the band. His two brothers, Nathan and Ernest, also took part, the peal being composed by Nathan, and conducted by Frederick.

A large number of ringers throughout the country will be pleased to learn that it is proposed to erect a memorial to the late Mr. William Gifford, of Salisbury, and contributions should flow in readily.

The Lancashire Association's report this year has been compiled on pre-war lines, and covers no fewer than 76 pages. It is published at a shilling.

There should have been a bob 'wrong' in the next to the last course (62453) of the last section of the Rev. H. Law James' 14,144 London Surprise Major published last week. The transposition of the course ends shows the calling as M. W., but the — does not appear under the W. Those who are preserving the figures for future use (!) or reference should note this.

BRENTWOOD.—On New Year's Eve, at the Church of St. Thomas-the-Martyr, Brentwood, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. D. Baker 1. A. Rainbird 2. E. J. Butler 3. E. Firbank 4. W. Leggett 5. A. Tarbun, junr. 6. Wesley Watson (conductor) 7. S. Carroll 8. Composed by A. J. Perkins. This was followed by 630 Grandsire Triples, the band standing as before, with the exception that H. Twigg was at No. 2, and rang his longest touch as yet in the method.

## THE APPLETON LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

The attempt for the peal of 19,115 Grandsire Caters at Appleton last Saturday was unsuccessful.

Another attempt will be made on Saturday, February 11th.

### To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—As a rule my ringing paper is delivered late on Friday, and being laid up with a cold, I had a chance of scanning the last issue instead of just glancing through it, as I generally do at first, otherwise I might not have read of the long peal attempt at Appleton until it was accomplished.

Now, Sir, I do not wish to say anything disrespectful to my old ringing friends at Appleton. I have always found them a jolly lot of claps, but what I do object to is the short notice given. I conducted the 15,227 of Grandsire Caters, rung at Cheltenham on April 22nd, 1889, and notice was published in 'The Bell News' for three weeks before the attempt, whereas this short notice and no specified time of starting did not allow of any arrangements being made between the three surviving ringers, viz., Messrs. Phillott, Humphris, and myself.

I begin to wonder if it is hereditary, as the long peal of Stedman Caters rung at Appleton on December 31st, 1888, which surpassed in length of time the 13,064 rung at Cheltenham in the same year and conducted by me, was notified in the same way. I think they fetched Harry Woodward off the hayrick, the notice was so short all round. I am sure a great many ringers would like to listen to 8 or 12 hours' good ringing. Could not the Central Council take this matter up and make some kind of rule with regard to these long peal attempts?—Yours truly, W. T. PATES.

P.S.—A post card to Mr. Phillott or myself at the time of posting to your paper would have given us ample time to make any arrangements.

The Central Council, in their 'Rules and Decisions,' stipulate various conditions which it is considered desirable to comply with. These include (inter alia)—

(i.) Not less than seven days' notice in the columns of the ringing press, stating the tower, day and hour at which the attempt is to be made;

(ii.) Similar notice to the conductor, or if he cannot be traced to some member of the band who rang the peal which it is proposed to surpass, or if no member of the band can be traced then to the Secretary of the Guild or Association under whose title the said peal was rung;

(iii.) That a sealed copy of the figures of the proposed peal be lodged previous to the attempt with the secretary or other responsible officer of the Guild or Association under whose title the band is to ring; and

(iv.) That if possible a competent representative of each of the bands shall be present during the whole of the performance.

It must be admitted that the notice given by the Appleton band did not comply with these reasonable and proper conditions, and it was really important because not only did the peal challenge the longest length in the method, but the longest length ever rung on tower bells.—Ed. 'R.W.'

## ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

### PROPOSED REHANGING OF ST. MARTIN'S BELLS.

The annual general meeting of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths was held at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on Saturday, January 28th, when the bells were kept going from 3.30 to 6 in various methods.

About 40 sat down to a sumptuous tea, which was followed by the business meeting, the Master (Mr. J. D. Matthews) presiding. The balance sheet was presented for 1921, showing the sum of £19 8s. 5d. in hand.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Master, Mr. J. D. Matthews; secretary, Mr. J. W. Cornford; treasurer, Mr. B. Foskett; senior steward, Mr. F. Smith; junior steward, Mr. C. Matthews.

The following is a summary of the report:—

During the past twelve months the respectable number of 15 peals have been rung, these including no less than five twelve-bell peals. It is doubtful whether the oldest living member of the society can recollect so many peals in one year on twelve bells. Moreover, they included peals in the four standard methods, probably the first time this has been accomplished in one year. The most notable of these, of course, was Mr. Foskett's golden wedding peal in November last, and no doubt those members who were not participants will be only too pleased to extend to him and Mrs. Foskett their felicitations through the medium of this report. Other gratifying features were the peals by country members in Kent and Surrey—a small beginning, which it is hoped will be increased. The 15 peals were made up as follows: Stedman Cinques 2, Grandsire Cinques 1, Plain Bob Maximus 1, Kent

Treble Bob Maximus 1, Stedman Caters 2, Superlative Surprise Major 1, Double Norwich Major 3, Grandsire Triples 2, Bob Royal (on handbells) 2; total 15.

It can hardly be a surprise to the majority of members to hear that there is every prospect of the much-needed rehanging of St. Martin's bells becoming an accomplished fact in the near future, as part of the Church Restoration scheme; and the best wishes and sympathy of the members will assuredly be with the Rev. H. R. L. Sheppard for the success of his great undertaking. St. Martin's peal of twelve is fast approaching its 200th anniversary (1927), and it must certainly be with something more than pride that the society will handle the restored peal in the near future, as did the members of the society nearly two centuries ago.

It was arranged to hold the annual dinner during October. At the close of the meeting, touches were indulged in on the handbells.

## DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

### MID-DEVON BRANCH.

The annual meeting was held at Paignton, on Saturday, January 21st, and in spite of the weather a good muster of ringers was present from Exeter, Christow, Dartmouth, Buckfastleigh, Cockington, and Paignton. A short service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. H. Mackworth Drake), who, in the course of a most eloquent address, pointed out the duties of the ringers in attending Divine service as well as in the belfry.

Tea and business meeting were held in the Church Schools.

The report of the branch showed an increased balance in hand, but two of the towers had not followed up the good work commenced, which was regretted.

Mr. H. W. Wilkes was re-elected chairman, and, in returning thanks, regretted he could not get the Dartmouth band to show the enthusiasm he would like them to, and he found great difficulty in keeping a company together.

Mr. H. J. Hole was unanimously elected hon. secretary, and thanked the branch for the confidence. He paid a warm tribute to Mr. F. J. Gover for his great assistance as instructor, not only to the Paignton band, but also in the combined practices that had been held in the district.

Mr. E. Sheppard (Exeter) addressed the meeting, and urged them to follow up the good progress being made. He also complimented Mr. Gover on his instruction, and gave some sound advice to all, which was much appreciated. The Vicar was thanked for the use of the bells and his splendid address. He said how pleased he was to welcome the branch, and wished them further success.

A course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells by: Mrs. Gover 1—2, Mr. C. Austin 3—4, Mr. Gover 5—6, Mr. J. Collings 7—8. This concluded a most successful meeting. The members then adjourned to the belfry, where ringing was resumed, with touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

### ANNUAL MEETING.

At the annual meeting held at the St. Martin's Hotel, on Tuesday, January 17th, the chairman, Mr. Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A., made sympathetic reference to the deaths of Mr. Raymond J. Wilkins, of Bristol, and Mr. Wm. Cheshire, of Erdington. The former had been a life member for many years, and frequently came to the Johnson Dinner, while the latter gentleman, himself a ringer, was an honorary member, and had long given the Guild practical support. On more than one occasion he had also entertained members at his beautiful house at Erdington, and his hospitality was gratefully remembered.

All present stood in silence for a brief moment, as a last tribute of respect to the deceased.

The whole of the officers were re-elected for the ensuing year, as follows: President, the Lord Bishop of the Diocese; vice-presidents: The Rev. Canon E. Grose Hodge, M.A., Rector of Birmingham; Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A., B.C.L., Messrs. W. H. Godden, John Carter, J. H. Shepherd, Wm. Kent, and Thos. Russam; presiding Ringing Master, Alderman J. S. Pritchett; deputy Ringing Master, Mr. Albert Walker; trustees, Messrs. Thos. Russam and Chas. Dickens; auditors, Messrs. Jas. L. Wells and Thos. H. Reeves; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. A. Paddon Smith.

Mr. Walker reported on the year's ringing, on which the Chairman remarked he was to be congratulated, it being a record for the Guild.

It was decided to hold the Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner on Saturday, February 25th, the Connaught Room at the Imperial Hotel having already been secured for that date. It was also agreed that no one without a ticket should be admitted to the room, as several complaints had been made as to overcrowding during the musical part of the programme.

The next quarterly meeting will be held at Aston in April.

# GILLET & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

**TWO WINDSOR RINGERS DEAD.**

The everlasting Reaper has recently visited each of the bellries of the ancient borough of Windsor, and members of the St. John's Parish Church and the St. George's Chapel Societies have now to fill up two gaps in their ranks not easily to be made good.

Mr. Chas. Farr was a native of Kingsbridge, and learnt the art of joinery there, under his father, a builder, in this Devonshire village. For 22 years he was leading hand under the castle contractor at Windsor for the maintenance of the royal residence, and 21 years a member of the curfew band of bell ringers, under the Dean and Chapter, discharging for most of this time the office of steward to the society. His quiet, sociable disposition, his punctual attendance at work or in the tower, and his efficient discharge of duty endeared him to all his mates. His assistance in establishing change ringing in Windsor in co-operation with Mr. J. S. Smith was most valuable to the Berks and Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, of which he was also a member. Commencing late in life to master the intricacy of 'half-pull' ringing, he persevered until he had rung a peal of Grandsire Triples and several quarter-peals; and according to his 'diary of ringing' he had taken a rope in 100 towers, exactly—a good number being added a year ago whilst spending his holidays in his native district.

On Sunday morning, in mid-December, after ringing for the eleven o'clock matins, it was noticed Mr. Farr was not well as he came down from the ringing room, and on being questioned he said he would 'come along presently.' He was shortly afterwards found reclining on one of the churchyard's 'mouldering heaps.' He was conveyed to his home by Mr. Harman, and died in his 57th year, from cerebral hemorrhage, a malady that carried off his brother and his father before him.

Mr. Farr leaves a widow and three sons, one of whom is well advanced in the art his father loved. The deceased was laid to rest in Windsor Cemetery, with muffled bells and memorial wreaths from his fellow-ringers and friends.

**A FATAL ACCIDENT.**

Mr. John Goodwood, a bachelor, in his 47th year, was accidentally killed on the main road from Maidenhead to Windsor, near Bray Court, whilst cycling home, after visiting his brother. He was a member of the Curfew team at Windsor Castle for about ten years, and also the Berks and Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. He was able to ring treble to Grandsire Triples, an inside bell to Doubles, and was keen on making himself master of method ringing. For some years he was regular hand as gardener in the Royal Gardens of the Castle. It will be remembered that on Sunday afternoon, January 15th, the weather was very rough, with storms of sleet and snow, and in passing a passenger motor-bus his cycle skidded and threw him across the road, the front wheel of the vehicle crushing the deceased's skull. His death, instantaneous as it was, came as a great shock to all his friends and relations.—The coroner gave a verdict of 'death by misadventure.'

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.****A SATISFACTORY YEAR.**

The annual meeting of the above was held at Appledore, on Jan. 14th. The weather was ideal for the time of year, and resulted in a goodly attendance of members, to the number of 40. The towers represented were Ashford, Biddenden, Frittenden, Aldington, Mersham, Burmarsh, Stone, Tenterden, Rye, and several members of Appledore tower. Ringing commenced soon after two o'clock, and was kept up with spirit till 4.30, when a special service was held in the church, the president of the Guild and Vicar of Appledore (Rev. A. O. Scutt) officiating.

Tea was prepared in the Women's Institute by Mrs. Balcomb, Mrs. Johnson, and Mrs. Banks, wives of the secretary, and members of the Guild, and right well did they carry out their task. They were heartily thanked at the meeting for their kindly services.

The business meeting followed, the Rev. A. O. Scutt (who presided at the tea and meeting) being re-elected president. Mr. H. Balcomb was re-elected hon. secretary, and unanimously thanked for his past services.

Several new members were elected, and Great Chart proposed for the next monthly meeting.

The secretary's report showed a very healthy state of affairs, both financially and generally, and as £4 of the balance was in War Savings Certificates, it was unanimously agreed to pay this over to the Kent County Association War Memorial Fund, while a collection made in the room brought the amount up to £5.

Some tunes on the handbells were rung by some of the members, and the touches on the tower bells included the four standard methods.

**LINCOLN.**—On Thursday, January 26th, at the Cathedral, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), was rung in 50 mins.: C. McGuinness 1, G. Chester 2, Lewis Snell 3, G. Flintham 4, C. H. Chester 5, J. Waldon 6, T. Pyle (conductor) 7, H. Leslie Park 8. Arranged to celebrate the coming-of-age of the ringer of the 3rd. It was also his first quarter-peal in the method, and first attempt.

**MR. W. SHORT'S 700 PEALS.****AN INTERESTING RECORD.**

Few ringers have rung in a greater variety of peals than Mr. William Short, of Clent, who has just completed his 700th and missed, by a single peal, combining with it his 300th as conductor. His list is one of much interest, for he was probably the first ringer to conduct a peal on all numbers from five to twelve, which he completed in 1912. He is probably, too, the only man who has called peals of Stedman from Doubles to Cinques, for he conducted the first, and, as far as recollection serves, the only peal of Stedman Doubles that has been rung. He has also conducted peals of Kent Treble Bob Minor, Major, Royal and Maximus. He has shared, too, in several record performances. His second peal of London was the record 14,112 at King's Norton; he conducted the record 11,111 Stedman Cinques at Birmingham; took part in the record 9,728 Superlative at Clent; 10,176 Double Oxford at Brierley Hill; the 8,888 Stedman Caters on handbells, and a 7,392 Double Norwich. He also conducted the only peal (Stedman Caters) rung on the sea. Mr. Short is among the 'masters' of the practical side of the art, and many a Midland ringer owes his insight into ringing to him, for Mr. Short was for a number of years the official instructor for the Hereford Guild. Appended is his list of peals rung in 176 towers (in 118 of which he has conducted peals) in 22 counties in England, Ireland and Wales:—

	Rung.	Conducted.
Stedman Triples .....	129	46
Grandsire Triples .....	76	53
Double Norwich Major .....	72	18
Seven Minor Methods .....	58	29
1 to 3 Methods Doubles .....	57	41
Stedman Cinques .....	42	14
Stedman Caters .....	38	12
Superlative Surprise .....	34	4
Kent Treble Bob Major .....	29	12
London Surprise .....	28	6
Bob Major .....	28	13
1 to 6 Methods Minor .....	22	19
Cambridge Surprise Major .....	20	5
Bristol Surprise Major .....	9	2
Kent Treble Bob Royal .....	9	2
Grandsire Caters .....	7	2
Oxford Treble Bob Major .....	6	6
Double Oxford Major .....	6	5
Canterbury Major .....	4	3
Bob Triples .....	4	
Cambridge Surprise Royal .....	3	1
New Cambridge Major .....	2	
Bob Royal .....	2	2
Kent Treble Bob Maximus .....	2	1
Duffield Major .....	2	1
Oxford Treble Bob Royal .....	2	
Double Norwich Caters .....	1	
Bob Caters .....	1	
Erin Cinques .....	1	
Canterbury Royal .....	1	
Forward Major .....	1	
Grandsire Major .....	1	1
Union Triples .....	1	
Canterbury Triples .....	1	
Stedman Doubles .....	1	1
	700	299

**MR. A. H. WINCH'S 200 PEALS.**

	Rung.	Conducted.
Minor Methods .....	3	
Grandsire Triples .....	30	4
Grandsire Caters .....	14	2
Stedman Triples .....	29	
Stedman Caters .....	11	
Stedman Cinques .....	1	
Oxford Bob Triples .....	3	
Bob Major .....	35*	9
Bob Royal .....	3	
Treble Bob Major .....	26	11
Treble Bob Royal .....	11	1
Double Norwich C.B. Major .....	24†	
Superlative Surprise Major .....	8	
Cambridge Surprise Royal .....	2	
	200	27

Rung in 61 towers in 10 counties for 11 Associations. \* Including 10,208. † Including 7,392 and 10,080.



**A DIRECTORY WANTED.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Can you inform me whether there is any list or Directory of Ringing Towers, and also their hours of ringing, for London.

I was staying in Clapham for Christmas, and was desirous of ringing, or at least of being amongst the ringing, on that day. My experience was as follows: I went to St. John the Divine's, Kennington, getting there at 10 a.m. I found a service in progress, and on inquiring from the vergers ascertained there would be no ringing that morning, but there might be in the evening, although that was uncertain. I asked the nearest church where ringing was likely, and he recommended me to St. Giles', Camberwell. I took a bus there, and heard four bells, three being chimed and the 4th being rung behind. This didn't sound promising, but I went up to find that only the front six out of the ten were ringable, and that as there was doubt about a band turning up nothing was doing. Getting nicely wet on the way back to my friend's house, where I was staying, I decided to let ringing alone till I returned here.

I should imagine there are many visitors to London who would like to know, where, apart from the well-known towers, they may have an opportunity of meeting other ringers, while the same applies to Londoners visiting the country.

If there is no such guide, would it not be possible for the various Associations and Societies to publish such a list?—Yours faithfully,  
Brentwood,  
EDWIN O. BAKER.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****NORTH AND EAST DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.**

The annual meeting of the North and East District of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, held on Saturday, January 21st, at Southgate, was to a great extent marred by the very inclement weather, but in spite of the fact that the attendance was not above 40, it was noticeable that the great majority of those present were Surprise ringers, and that the ringing done was of a very high standard.

Before the service the bells were rung with half-muffled clappers, out of deep respect to the late Mr. George Burrows, aged 82, who had been buried that morning. Mr. Burrows was for 20 years an hon. member of the society. He had been resident in Southgate for 56 years, during the greater part of which time he had been churchwarden. He was largely instrumental in getting the original eight bells installed in the tower.

The service at 5.30 was conducted by the Rev. R. de G. Hampson, who preached a very interesting sermon.

After tea, which was served at the Woolpack, the usual business meeting was held. The balance sheet, which showed a credit of over £4 on the year's working, was passed; whilst the following were elected as the district officers for the coming year: Master, Mr. G. B. Lucas; hon. treasurer, Mr. F. A. Milne; hon. secretary, Mr. C. T. Coles; assistant hon. secretary, Mr. W. J. Kemp.

A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. J. Armstrong, who had expressed a wish to retire from the office of Master, after ten years of loyal and useful work for the society.

A vote of condolence to the relatives of the late Mr. G. Burrows was passed in silence, the Hon. Secretary mentioning that the society had lost a good friend and colleague.—Thanks were accorded to the Rev. O. F. Peploe for allowing the bells to be used; to the Rev. R. de G. Hampson for his address at the service; also to Mr. J. E. Miller and the local ringers for their usual very hearty welcome to the members.

The Hon. Secretary, too, was not forgotten, and in reply to a unanimous and sincere vote of thanks, which was moved by Mr. C. Dean, and seconded by Mr. J. Parker, he urged the members to stand together and to put their best into the Association. It was not what a man got out of ringing, but what he put into it, that counted, and the best thanks that members could give to the society's officials was their loyal help and trust.

Several touches were rung after the meeting, the methods practised during the day including Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Royal.

**CARDIFF RINGER BEREAVED**

After a long illness, the wife of Mr. W. Coombes, one of Cardiff's oldest ringers, has just passed away. She was a daughter of the late Mr. Job Cook, who for many years was clerk of the Parish Church of Cardiff (St. John's), and in charge of the tower and bells.

As a last tribute of respect, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,277 changes) was rung, half-muffled, on the bells of St. John's on Thursday evening last week: W. B. Biss 1, F. Bailey 2, T. Dawe 3, E. Hunt 4, J. W. Jones 5, H. West 6, T. Carter 7, W. Bolton 8, F. Chamberlain (conductor) 9, Seymour R. Barker 10. Composed by R. Deal.

**SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.**

**ISLEWORTH.**—On Sunday morning, January 29th, for service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: F. Goldard 1, A. Beckensale 2, G. Spencer 3, W. H. Holfier 4, J. Milner 5, W. Liddetter (conductor) 6, A. Harding 7, H. Brooks 8.

**FULHAM.**—On Sunday evening, January 29th, for service, 1,259 Grandsire Caters, in 50 mins.: W. H. Holfier 1, A. Cutmore 2, W. H. Wood 3, W. Lawrence 4, W. E. Judd (conductor) 5, G. Hes 6, A. Harding 7, F. Skevington 8, J. W. Driver 9, M. A. Smith 10.

**WORPLESDON.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Jan. 29th, for morning service, a 720 of Bob Minor, in 30 mins.: R. Tickner 1, A. Martin, Pirbright (first 720) 2, Miss K. Avenell 3, G. Chandler 4, C. Heather 5, S. Peter (conductor) 6.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on Sunday, January 29th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. Crowder 1, T. A. Easterby 2, E. J. Pannett 3, H. J. Norgate 4, H. Belcher (Ealing) 5, A. Bradley 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, A. F. Benington 8.

**HATFIELD, DONCASTER.**—At St. Laurence's Church, on January 22nd, for evensong, 700 Grandsire Triples: H. Rodwell 1, H. Crowe 2, E. Purdy 3, H. Marshall 4, R. Thompson 5, H. Howarth 6, D. England (conductor) 7, R. Rodwell 8.

**CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.**—On Sunday, January 22nd, at the Priory Church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,260 changes), in 49 mins.: A. Woolf 1, J. E. Burton 2, Miss G. M. A. George 3, L. Stone 4, G. Stone 5, A. Best 6, F. Sparshott 7, W. Fowler 8, G. Preston (conductor) 9, B. Kerley 10. Arranged for the ringers of 2 and 3, who hail from St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich.

**WINDSOR.**—On Sunday, January 22nd, for evening service, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples, in 50 mins.: H. F. Hunt 1, \*W. P. Cross 2, T. Smith 3, W. Henley 4, \*A. J. Harman 5, A. Bateman 6, L. Stilwell (conductor) 7, \*J. H. Viller 8. \* First quarter in method. All local band except ringers of 4 and 6.

**KIDLINGTON, OXON.**—On Christmas morning, Sunday, December 25th, 1,008 Grandsire Triples: J. Bowerman 1, C. Bennett 2, F. Webb 3, J. A. King 4, L. Tuffrey 5, J. Franklin 6, J. H. R. Freeborn (conductor) 7, W. H. Thorne 8. Rung after midnight to usher in Christmas Day.

**CIRENCESTER.**—At Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, for morning service, on January 15th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): A. Parsons 1, H. Lewis 2, W. G. Cuss 3, J. E. Waters 4, W. G. Cook (conductor) 5, G. Dore 6, F. J. Lewis 7, J. Hayward 8.—For morning service, on January 22nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), composed by Henry Johnson, and recently published on this page: F. J. Lewis 1, J. E. Waters 2, W. Hayward (first quarter-peal of Triples) 3, W. G. Cook 4, J. Butler (conductor) 5, H. T. Gardner 6, H. C. Bond 7, J. Hayward 8.

**IDLE, YORKS.**—On January 29th, for evening service, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, in 47 mins.: H. Buckley 1, H. Davison 2, F. Davison 3, E. H. Simpson (conductor) 4, R. Humpleby 5, F. Kilshaw 6, W. Feather 7, H. Foster 8.

**LITTLEBOURNE.**—On Sunday, January 29th, for morning service, at St. Vincent's Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob: H. Stringer 1, J. P. Cobbold (conductor) 2, P. Smith 3, W. Savage 4, E. Rye 5, A. Johnson 6.

**Hemel Hempstead.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, January 29th, for evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples: J. Floyd, junr. 1, W. H. Newell 2, H. Golding 3, H. Gates 4, J. Floyd 5, W. Shepherd (conductor) 6, W. Floyd 7, E. Lee (first 504) 8.

**BLEDLOW.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, January 29th, for evening prayer, a quarter-peal of Doubles, 3 six-scores Bob Doubles, 7 six-scores and 60 changes Grandsire Doubles: P. Nicholls 1, A. J. Seymour (conductor) 2, R. Gomme 3, Rev. E. J. Teesdale 4, G. Seymour 5.

**BENINGTON.**—Lincoln Diocesan Guild.—On Sunday, January 29th, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 22 mins.: P. Lakin 1, S. Woods 2, J. W. Lakin, senr. 3, F. Hilton 4, W. Houghton 5, J. W. Lakin, junr. (conductor), 6.

**DEATH OF MR. THOMAS SADLER.****A CHANGE RINGING PIONEER IN SUFFOLK.**

A veteran Suffolk ringer has passed away, in the person of Mr. Thomas Sadler, who has died at Ipswich at the age of 72 years. When the Norwich Diocesan Association was formed in 1877, Mr. Sadler was one of the most prominent ringers in the neighbourhood of Ipswich. Among the many peals he took part in were the first of Royal and Maximus by the Association, also of seven methods of Minor rung in his native village of Withesham. He also rang in a 10,272 of Kent Treble Bob Major at Debenham in 1880.

He did a great deal to help struggling bands, and despite the handicap of a wooden leg, walked hundreds of miles for this purpose. Among the places where his assistance was valued were Helmingham, Grandisburgh, Henley, Coddesham, and others. In a modest way his services to ringing in Suffolk have been extremely valuable, and many will regret the passing of an old friend.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting for the whole Diocese will be held in St. Mary-le-Tower Church House, on Saturday, Feb. 4th, at 3.30 p.m., when the Bishop has promised to preside. Bells available from 2 p.m., at St. Mary-le-Tower, St. Margaret's, St. Clement's, and St. Matthew's. All Suffolk ringers are invited to this meeting (the first general one) so that any opinion may be expressed before the organisation is finally settled.—H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Mitcham on Saturday, Feb. 4th, 1922. The bells at Christ Church (6) and the Parish Church (8) will be open for ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 5 at the Parish Church. Tea at 5.45, followed by business meeting. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Warminster, on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Great Waltham on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Club Room at 5 o'clock. Buses leave Chelmsford Station 2.15 and 3.20 p.m., returning from Great Waltham 7.15 and 9.18 p.m.—P. Timson, Dis. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Winchester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Alton on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells at 2.30. Tea at 5 o'clock.—W. T. Tucker, Dist. Sec., 71, High Street, Eastleigh.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Isle of Wight District.—Next meeting at Brading, St. Mary's (8), Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells ready 2.30. Service, 4. Tea and business meeting, 4.30.—W. Upton, Hon. Dist. Sec., 10, Elm Grove, Newport, I.W.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Islip on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells available 2.30. Service, 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—J. Nickerson, Halford Street, Thrapston.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Thurlaston on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Bells (5) available at 4 o'clock.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, 4th Feb., at St. Bartholomew's, Bolton. Bells available 5 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Reading Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Reading, on Saturday, Feb. 4th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at

4. Tea at St. Mary's School Room, Hosier Street, at 5 p.m. at 1/- each to all who let me know their intention of being present by Wednesday, Feb. 1st; others 2/6. Business meeting to follow. Ringing will be resumed after the meeting at St. Mary's, St. Giles' and St. Laurence's.—F. W. Hopgood, Hon. Sec., 75, Kensington Road, Reading.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual General meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells available: Bishopsgate and St. Andrew, Holborn, 2.45—4.0 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, 2.30; Service, 4.30; Tea in Parish House, Clare Market, 5.30; business meeting, 6.30. Members requiring tea must advise by Feb. 4th.—A. D. Barker, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—The closing date for the payment of the 1s. 8d. subscription is Feb. 28th. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on Feb. 16th; \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 7th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 9th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 21st; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The Annual meeting of this district will be held at Tonbridge on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 3. Tea in the Parish Room after service, followed by business meeting. All members requiring tea must notify the Dist. Sec. not later than Tuesday, Feb. 7th.—W. Latter, Hon. Dist. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Herne St. nr. Herne Bay, on Saturday, Feb. 11th, bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea can be arranged at 1/6 per head for all those who let me know not later than Feb. 4th. Subscriptions are now due, and should be forwarded as soon as possible, or can be paid at this meeting.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Isleworth on Saturday, Feb. 11th (by permission of the Rev. Dr. H. M. Relton and Churchwardens), who will entertain our members to tea. Visitors, other than members, will be asked to pay 1/3. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 5.30. Tea at 6. Will all those who intend to be present kindly let me know by the 6th, and oblige, for welcome awaits them.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Harrold on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells from 2.30. Tea at the Institute. Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—H. L. Harlow, District Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James', Birch-in-Rusholme, on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 7 o'clock. Subscriptions due. Reports ready.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at West Derby on Saturday, February 11th. Bells ready at 4.30.—W. Hughes, Branch Sec., 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—A District meeting will be held at Dorking on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells available at 3. Service at

4.30, when an address will be given by the Vicar. Tea at 5, followed by a business meeting.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 4.30 in the Schoolroom, followed by business meeting.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the Bristol Branch of the above Association will be held on Saturday, Feb. 11th, at St. Luke's, Bedminster. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea in the Schools at 5 o'clock. A meeting of tower representatives will be held after tea. Please notify Hon. Sec. by Feb. 6th.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—The next meeting will be held at Great Dunmow on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Service, with address, at 4 o'clock, followed by tea at St. Mary's Room, 1s. each. Members must notify me of their intention of being present not later than Feb. 7th. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—Bert Redgwell, District Sec., Rayne, near Braintree.

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Deanery Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Wilton on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea and business meeting at Waterloo Restaurant at 5 sharp. Service in St. Mary's Church at 6 o'clock. St. James's bells available after the service. Tea provided for all who give me notice by Wednesday, Feb. 8th.—P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Hoghton on Feb. 11th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Appledore on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells available from 2 o'clock. Special service at 4.30. Tea, at 5 o'clock, can be arranged for those who notify me of their intention to be present not later than Tuesday, Feb. 7th. Subscriptions are now due and will be gladly accepted at this meeting.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—The Annual meeting will (p.v.) be held at Norbury on Saturday, Feb. 11th.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Sawbridgeworth on Feb. 11th, when the bells will be available during the afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at the King William IV. at 1s. per head. All ringing friends will be heartily welcome.—W. H. Lawrence, Hon. District Sec., Little Munden.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Martock on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Bells (8) available at any time. Those requiring tea should give notice not later than Wednesday, Feb. 8th.—F. Farrant, Martock, Somerset.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Selby on Saturday, Feb. 18th. Bells of the Abbey (10) available from 1 p.m.

to 9. Service at 4. Tea at 5 in Rimington's Cafe, Gouthorpe, at 1/9 each. Members requiring same must notify Mr. Wm. Arthur Hall, 34, New Lane, Selby, by Tuesday, Feb. 14th. Business meeting afterwards.—A. B. Cook, Hon. District Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

**BRISTOL UNITED GUILDS**—First Annual Dinner.—Grand Hotel, Broad Street Bristol, Feb. 18th, at 6.30 p.m. Social afterwards. Ringing from 3 p.m. at St. James', St. Stephen's, St. Nicholas (10 bells), St. Philip, Temple (8 bells), St. Michael's (6).—Tickets, 6/-, from stewards, or Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol. Ticket-holders to report number of tickets sold to E. Guise by Feb. 8 at latest.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Established 1755).—The 34th Annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at The Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham (in the beautiful Connaught Room), on Saturday, Feb. 25th, at 6 o'clock, when the chair will be taken by Canon E. Grose Hodge, M.A., Rector of Birmingham. To fully qualified members tickets will be issued on payment of 3/- to meet the increased cost of the dinner; to other members and friends, 7/6 each. It is necessary for every full member to be clear on the books not later than Saturday, Feb. 18th. The bells of St. Martin (12) and the Cathedral (10) will be available from 3 to 5.15.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice:—St. Martin's, second Monday in the month, at 7.30 p.m.; Shoreditch, 3rd Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. Services, 2nd and 4th Sundays, 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7D, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### DEATH.

**PYE.**—On January 3rd, 1922, Elizabeth Ann Carter Pye, mother of the brothers Pye, aged 85 years.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Change ringer and Conductor on 6 or 8 seeks work, Labourer, Gardener or Sexton, willing to instruct and help beginners. — Box 11, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

'GRANDSIRE, DOUBLES AND TRIPLES, SIMPLY EXPLAINED.' Price 6d.; post free, 7d.; twelve copies, 5/9, post free. A new, concise explanation of the Method, intended for beginners and those who find the ordinary books of instruction too technical.—From T. ROE and M. BROOME, 2, Lansdown Crescent, Bath.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.



**THE LATE MR. W. W. GIFFORD.****PROPOSED MEMORIAL.**

A suggestion having been made that a memorial should be erected by the ringers of England to the memory of the late Mr. W. W. Gifford, subscriptions will be gladly received for that purpose.

It is hoped that this appeal will be responded to by the Guilds and Societies of Ringers throughout the country.

Mr. J. R. Jerram is the hon. treasurer, and subscriptions, which will be acknowledged through 'The Ringing World,' should be sent to Mr. L. Harris, Britford, Salisbury, or Mr. F. W. Romain, 41, Green Croft Street, Salisbury, St. Martin's company of ringers, Salisbury, joint hon. secs.

**SURPRISE METHODS MOVING.**

At King's Norton, Worcestershire, on Monday, January 23rd, at the Parish Church of St. Nicholas, in 1 hour, 1,344 Cambridge Surprise Major: H. Williams 1, Wm. Ball 2, J. Withers, junr., 3, Wm. B. Cartwright 4, J. Eaton 5, P. O. Laffin 6, Sam Grove 7, Harry Withers (conductor) 8. Longest length in the method by ringers of 1, 3, 4 and 5.

At Worcester, on Monday, January 23rd, at St. Helen's, 576 London Surprise Major: T. Walters 1, F. W. Neate 2, S. Holt 3, J. J. Jefferies 4, G. Hinton, junr., 5, W. Lewis 6, J. R. Mackman 7, W. Page (conductor) 8. First touch in the method by all except Messrs. Mackman and Page.

At Beeston, Notts, on Monday, January 16th, 448 London Surprise Major: W. Clifford, junr., 1, A. Coppock (conductor) 2, F. S. Price 3, A. B. Moss 4, J. C. Dicken 5, W. A. James 6, F. Blood 7, P. Price 8.

On Saturday, January 21st, at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, Eckington, Yorks, a quarter-peal of Superlative (1,280 changes), in 48 mins.: J. H. Humphries 1, W. Burgar 2, H. Greaves 3, G. Holmes 4, H. Thorpe 5, C. Harrison 6, W. H. Turton 7, J. Thorpe (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal for the ringers of the treble, 5th, 6th and tenor.

GET YOUR  
RINGING  
FRIENDS  
TO SUPPORT

**THE RINGING  
WORLD**

BY  
TAKING  
A COPY  
EVERY  
WEEK.

**YORKSHIRE STONE.**

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

**BELL ROPES**

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**  
LIMITED,  
**COVENTRY.**  
MAKERS SINCE 1730.

**RINGERS!**

Please send your enquiries.  
**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

# Clewellins

## & James, Ltd.,



**CHURCH BELLS SINGLY OR  
IN RINGS.**

**Bell Frames in Cast Iron, Steel  
and Oak.**

**Bells tuned on the latest im-  
proved principles initiated by  
the late Canon Simpson.**

**CASTLE GREEN**

**BRISTOL**



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

'ROPE-SIGHT,' 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

'GRANDSIRE,' 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

'STANDARD METHODS,' 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

'STEDMAN,' 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

'TREBLE BOB,' 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

'DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.'—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

JOHN PRITCHARD,  
Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
Silver Smith,  
**WOKING**  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Allacombe's chiming Apparatus fixed, Hand-  
bells in sets Chromatic or Diatonic.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

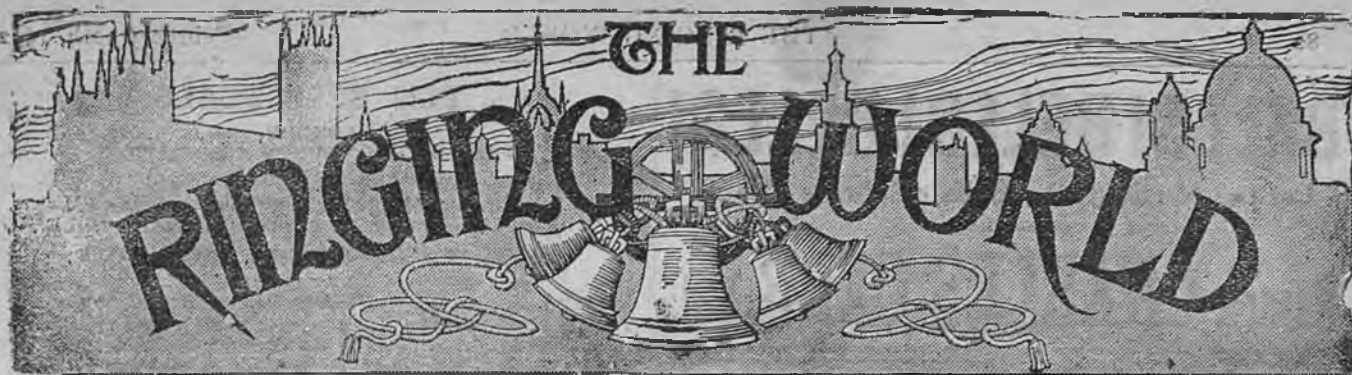
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 88/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/8 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
Telephone 171

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 869. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 8d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### ASSOCIATION FINANCE.

The Central Northants Association is the first to move in the matter of reducing members' contributions. On the score of falling wages, the Northampton District have decided to put before their Central Committee the suggestion that the Association should revert to the pre-war annual subscription of a shilling, and it was pointed out that one-third of the members had not paid last year's tribute. The conclusion was apparently drawn that the arrears were due to the fact that the contributions had not come down with the drop in wages. Every association must be its own judge in fixing its contributions; but we imagine that many associations felt the pinch last year from the excessive unemployment that existed, and a man without work cannot be expected to pay a shilling any more than he can pay eighteenpence. When things become more normal—as everyone devoutly hopes they may soon do—there is not likely to be much serious objection on the part of ringers to paying the slightly enhanced subscription which in the last two or three years they have been asked to pay. In any event, before taking any step which may handicap them financially in the future, associations should give the matter serious consideration. If they can weather the present depression, they will probably find the majority of ringers ready to continue the higher rate of subscription.

But while associations are considering whether or not they should reduce their subscription rates, we certainly think the Central Council should also consider the question of raising the affiliation fees which are now in force. The half-crown, which an association is asked to pay for each member it sends, was all right thirty years ago, when the Council was founded and had no special object in view for utilising surplus funds. As its work developed, however, it became necessary to provide the capital for the publication of books and pamphlets. When anything of size was issued, a considerable inroad was always made upon the reserves, but by carefully husbanding the resources, ends could always be made to meet. The heavy rise in costs, however, is now hampering the Council, but they have taken no steps to meet it except by holding back work—some of which at any rate would be of great value to ringers. None of the publications issued by the Council are sold at a profit, and the capital is therefore locked up for considerable periods without showing any gain. If the Council really want to do any good work of this kind in the future, they ought at least to double the affiliation fees. If it were put to the associations that the reason for the increase was to provide capital for matters of real benefit to ringers, we think little objection would be raised, except among those who never see any good in anything the Council do.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 155, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Jan. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALPHAGE, GREENWICH, S.E.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5030 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

ERNEST J. KING ... .. Treble	JEFFREY R. GAMMON ... 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	† RICHARD J. STONE ... 7
JOHN CARTER ... .. 3	ROBERT G. CHAPPELLE ... 8
* FREDK. W. GOODFELLOW ... 4	WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... 9
JOHN J. LAMB ... .. 5	WILLIAM BERRY ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal. † First peal on 10 bells and hails from Portsmouth.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS-THE-MARTYR, CITY.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

ERNEST J. KING ... .. Treble	LIONEL H. PAGE ... .. 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	JAMES BULLOCK ... .. 7
JEFFREY R. GAMMON ... .. 3	GEORGE A. CARD ... .. 8
ROBERT G. CHAPPELLE ... 4	WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... 9
FREDERICK W. GOODFELLOW 5	* WILLIAM E. J. HEWSON ... Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

Rung as a 79th birthday compliment to J. Waghorn, sen., a respected member of the Association. \* First peal on 10 bells.

NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. Treble	* THOMAS LAW ... .. 6
FRED HOPPER ... .. 2	* JOSEPH DEAN ... .. 7
HERBERT RAINBOW ... .. 3	FRED WILFORD ... .. 8
JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. 4	GEORGE FLAVELL ... .. 9
JOHN METHERELL ... .. 5	* ALFRED MONK ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. HALEY. Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. First peal of Stedman Caters by a local band in the County of Northampton.

LEIGHTON BUZZARD, BEDS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF ERIN CATERS, 5076 CHANGES;**

Tenor 26½ cwt. in D.

HUBERT EDEN ... .. Treble	ARTHUR W. DIX ... .. 6
WALTER H. L. BUCKINGHAM 2	EDWARD P. DUFFIELD ... 7
WILLIAM HODGETTS ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... 8
WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD ... 4	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... 9
FRANCIS A. SMITH ... .. 5	WILLIAM SREELEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT.  
This is the first peal of Erin Caters on the bells, by all the band, and by the Association. The band wish to thank Mr. J. Nicholls for having everything in readiness for them.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

STANTON, WEST HARTLEPOOL.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

WM. BROADLEY ... .. Treble	WM. A. BRECKON ... .. 5
J. CECIL POLLARD ... .. 2	FRED P. HOWCROFT ... .. 6
REV. ALBERT SIMPSON ... 3	WM. ELLERINGTON ... .. 7
THOMAS METCALFE ... .. 4	THOMAS LANCASTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. ESTCOURT. Conducted by THOS. LANCASTER.



**CROSS STONE, TODEMORDEN.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
 (ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

JOHN FITTON ... ..	Treble	*MRS. MARTHA INGHAM ...	5
LEWIS HOLMOYD ... ..	2	*JAMES RICHARDS ... ..	6
*MISS ROSE BELL ... ..	3	GEORGE STAFF ... ..	7
WILLIAM CRABTREE ... ..	4	HERBERT DAVENPORT ...	Tenor

Composed by E. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by H. DAVENPORT.  
 First peal of Major.

**CLIFTON, BRISTOL.**  
**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
 On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES,**

HALEY'S VARIATION.

Tenor 13 cwt. in G.

GEORGE C. PRICE ... ..	Treble	*WILLIAM C. HUNTER ...	5
ALFRED E. REEVES ... ..	2	JAMES R. JONES ... ..	6
WALTER J. RAWLINGS ...	3	RICHARD CLARK ... ..	7
WILLIAM H. THOMAS ... ..	4	THOMAS HARRIS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD CLARK.

\* First peal in the method.

**ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.**  
**THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. THOMAS AND EDMUND, R.C.,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 15 cwt.

BERNARD W. WITCHELL ...	Treble	GEORGE ROBERTS ... ..	5
CHARLES WAITHMAN ... ..	2	WILLIAM G. ELLIS ... ..	6
WILLIAM STRINGER ... ..	3	BERTRAM LEEDHAM ... ..	7
JAMES GEORGE ... ..	4	WILLIAM G. ANKER ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a tribute of respect to the memory of the late Pope.

**DARTFORD, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, Jan. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

DAVIES' VARIATION.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

*FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ...	Treble	SPENCER MARSHALL ... ..	5
WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... ..	2	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ...	6
JOHN H. CHISEMAN ... ..	3	HERBERT E. ADDSLEY ...	7
JOHN WHEADON ... ..	4	EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ...	Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT E. ADDSLEY.

\* 6th peal. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, the ringer of the 3rd and E. Bates, one of the local ringers.

**NORTHAMPTON.**  
**THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt.

JOSEPH DEAN ... ..	Treble	CHARLES BIRD ... ..	5
HERBERT RAINBOW ... ..	2	WILLIAM ALLEN ... ..	6
WILLIAM ROGERS ... ..	3	WILLIAM FAREY ... ..	7
JOHN T. HENSMAN ... ..	4	FRED WILFORD ... ..	Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW. Conducted by FRED WILFORD.  
 Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 4th.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

**BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.**

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.

TITUS BARLOW, SEN. ... ..	Treble	FREDERICK PAGE ... ..	5
FRED ABBOTT ... ..	2	PETER CROOK ... ..	6
THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... ..	3	*ERNEST CUTSFORTH ...	7
JOHN POTTER ... ..	4	RICHARD F. DEAL ... ..	Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by RICHARD F. DEAL.

\* First peal of Kent Treble Bob. First peal of Major on the bells since recasting by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

**BISHOPSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.**

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Wednesday, Feb. 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in F.

GEORGE GRANT ... ..	Treble	†ERNEST J. AYLIFFE ... ..	5
WILLIAM G. EDWARDS ... ..	2	WILLIAM R. MADGWICK ...	6
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... ..	3	OWEN H. GILES ... ..	7
*ARTHUR H. WILSON ... ..	4	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... ..	Tenor

Composed by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Conducted by W. T. TUCKER.

\* First peal. † First peal of Bob Major. First in the method on the bells.

**SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.**

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Thursday, Feb. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

SIDNEY F. PALMER ... ..	Treble	FRANCIS WARD ... ..	5
WILLIAM BURGAR ... ..	2	*COLLIN HARRISON ... ..	6
GEORGE HOLMES ... ..	3	JOHN THORPE ... ..	7
*HAYDN THORPE ... ..	4	*ROBERT HARRISON ... ..	Tenor

Composed by W. L. MASON.

Conducted by JOHN THORPE.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. The ringer of the treble has now rung each of the 12 Cathedral bells to a peal. The above are all members of the Cathedral company and rang the peal at the first attempt.

**PENTRE RHONDDA.**

**THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Thursday, Feb. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

HARRY PAGE ... ..	Treble	THOMAS HAMLIN ... ..	5
FREDERICK LASBURY ... ..	2	TOM PAGE ... ..	6
GEORGE CROSS ... ..	3	JAMES CROSS ... ..	7
WILLIAM PAGE ... ..	4	HENRY CRABBE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JAMES CROSS.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to Canon William Lewis, who passed away on Jan. 27th in his 86th year. He was Vicar of this parish for 53 years and was interred in the family vault at the parish church on Tuesday, Jan. 31st, 1922.

**SELLY OAK, BIRMINGHAM.**

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, Feb. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb.

JOHN F. ATKINS ... ..	Treble	*HERBERT J. DOWLER ...	5
C. HOWARD STANLEY ... ..	2	JAMES GEORGE ... ..	6
JOHN BATON ... ..	3	WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ...	7
LESLIE G. CARTWRIGHT ...	4	THEODORE RUSSELL ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT.

\* First peal in the method.



CROWLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

JOHNSON'S VARIATION.

JOSEPH BRETTILL ... .. Treble	WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 5
WILLIAM C. JONES ... .. 2	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 6
SIDNEY HOLT ... .. 3	*CHARLES CAMM ... .. 7
JOHN J. JEFFRIES ... .. 4	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. PAGE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect for the late Anthony Young, who was for 45 years a ringer at Crowle and much respected in the parish. \* First peal in a Surprise method; first peal by S. Holt on the bells of his native parish.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

MIDDLETON'S. Tenor 16 cwt.

*GEORGE ALLDER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 5
CECIL C. MAYNE ... .. 2	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 6
JOHN EVANS ... .. 3	GEORGE MARTIN ... .. 7
*ARTHUR MARTIN ... .. 4	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN.

\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise. First peal of Cambridge Surprise on the bells.

WESTBURY, WILTS.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 35 cwt. 0 qr. 14 lb.

WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT ... .. Treble	CHARLES W. BELL ... .. 5
CHARLES J. GARDINER ... .. 2	HENRY W. BROWN ... .. 6
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 3	SYDNEY HILLIER ... .. 7
THOMAS F. KING ... .. 4	GILBERT H. HARDING ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. BARKER. Conducted by GILBERT H. HARDING.

BARNET, HERTS.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt.

JOHN SUMPTER ... .. Treble	WALTER SOER ... .. 5
ROBERT ROFFEY ... .. 2	NORMAN A. TOMLINSON ... .. 6
FRANK A. MILNE ... .. 3	EDMUND G. TOMLINSON ... .. 7
HERBERT ELDRED ... .. 4	*WILLIAM LANGLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by N. A. TOMLINSON.

\* First peal.

HYDE, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

BROOK'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

*WILLIAM SHAW ... .. Treble	TOM WILDE ... .. 5
FRANK STONELEY ... .. 2	JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 6
*ALFRED FROST ... .. 3	BENJAMIN THORP ... .. 7
WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT ... .. 4	*GEORGE WHITELEGG ... .. Tenor

Conducted by BENJAMIN THORP.

\* First peal of Stedman. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Samuel Bowker, a much esteemed member of the local band.

LINCOLN.—On Thursday evening, January 12th, at the Cathedral, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: \*C. McGuiness 1, J. Walden 2, \*H. Marcon 3, G. Chester 4, G. Chester 5, G. Flintham 6, J. A. Freeman (conductor) 7, H. Leslie Park 8. \* First quarter-peal of Stedman Triples.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb.

SYDNEY G. FLOWERS ... .. Treble	TOM TEBBUTT ... .. 5
KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 2	GEORGE LADD ... .. 6
REV. H. LAW JAMES ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. STOKES ... .. 7
JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of London, Wells, Durham, York, Cambridge, Ipswich and Norwich.

EDWARD YOUNGS ... .. Treble	ALPHAEUS J. BERRY ... .. 4
WILLIAM CLOVER ... .. 2	ERNEST F. POPPY ... .. 5
GEORGE BROWN, JUN. ... .. 3	GEORGE CATTERMORE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. CATTERMORE.

Rung in honour of the birthday of the Rt. Hon. Lord Henniker and of E. Youngs.

STRETTON, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven different 720's.

Tenor 10 cwt.

*HARRY FAIRCLOUGH ... .. Treble	*LEONARD BOSTOCK ... .. 4
*ERNEST H. BOSTOCK ... .. 2	EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 5
*SCOTT PAGE ... .. 3	*JOHN H. DAVENPORT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells by a local band. Great credit is due to the band, who only started change ringing last August.

NARBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores consisting of Plain Bob, Extremes and Grandsire.  
Tenor 21½ cwt.

EDWARD WHITEHEAD ... .. Treble	FRED. J. BOWLEY, SEN. ... .. 4
CHARLES CATTELL ... .. 2	FRED. COTTON ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. CLARKE ... .. 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

First Association peal on the bells. A Minor peal was impossible owing to the heavy 'go' of the bells.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single and Oxford Bob.  
Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

WILLIAM POWELL ... .. Treble	JAMES BLAKE ... .. 4
JOHN J. BEVAN ... .. 2	EDWARD SUMMERS ... .. 5
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. Tenor

The first 720 was conducted by the ringer of the 5th, the 2nd by the ringer of the 4th, the 3rd by the ringer of the treble, the 4th by the ringer of the 2nd, the 5th by the ringer of the 3rd, and the last two by the ringer of the tenor. First 'all conducted' peal by the Hereford Diocesan Guild.

## BLAXHALL, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Jan. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt.

HEMERY G. SMITH ... .. Treble	JAMES SMY ... .. 4
ALDERMAN LING, SEN. ... 2	ARTHUR SMITH ... .. 5
*ARTHUR A. LING ... .. 3	ALDERMAN LING, JUN. ... Tenor

Conducted by ALDERMAN LING, JUN.

\* First peal.

## EWHURST, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

*WALTER DENYER ... .. Treble	†ALFRED J. BULL ... .. 4
ROBERT WHITTINGTON ... 2	†THOMAS WORSFOLD ... .. 5
MRS. R. WHITTINGTON ... 3	THOMAS W. DENYER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by T. W. DENYER.

\* First peal. † First peal of Minor. A. J. Bull hails from Horley and was proposed a member of the Guild previous to starting.

## ORLINGBURY, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 8TUDMAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 720's with 10 different callings. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr.

*DAVID J. NICHOLLS ... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT ... 3
MATT. HOBBS ... .. 2	*THOMAS BUTLER ... .. 4
*CECIL CHAPMAN ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by C. CHAPMAN.

The ringers wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. T. Butler, who kindly entertained them to tea after the peal. \* First peal of Stedman Doubles.

## THURMASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5400 CHANGES;

Being forty-five six-scores differently arranged.

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb. in G.

CHARLES CATTELL ... .. Treble	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 4
†EDWARD WHITEHEAD ... 2	WILLIAM H. CLARKE ... .. 5
*SYDNEY SHELTON ... .. 3	ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal of Doubles. † First 'inside.' Longest peal on the bells. Rung at the special request of the Vicar (the Rev. G. Chappell, M.A.) to stimulate interest locally, the bells not having been rung for several years. He kindly entertained the ringers to tea afterwards.

## ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Oxford, three of Kent Treble Bob and two of Plain Bob.

FRED CHAMBERS ... .. Treble	LAURANCE L. WILLIAMS ... 4
THOMAS STANCLIFFE ... .. 2	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. 5
*ARTHUR INGHAM ... .. 3	JOHN WATSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

\* First peal in three methods.

## WEDDING BELLS.

On Tuesday, January 31st, at Chester-le-Street, 720 Kent Treble Bob was rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Barrett: Miss Donnison 1, F. Pattison 2, Rev. A. W. Lister (Tanfield) 3, H. Tyson (Tanfield) 4, F. Sheraton 5, T. T. Goffton (Whitley Bay) 6. Touches of Double Court and Kent Major were also brought round in the course of a very pleasant afternoon's ringing, the above ringers, with Mr. Holmes and Mr. W. Goffton, of Whitley Bay, taking part.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## HARWICH, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Feb. 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

At 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

## A PEAL OF REDDISH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by E. MULLINS Conducted by the performer.

Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

This method is now tapped for the first time.

## CAMBRIDGE.

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

IN THE PRESIDENT'S ROOMS, TRINITY COLLEGE,

## A PEAL OF PLAIN AND LITTLE BOB ROYAL, 5004 CHANGES;

Containing 32 courses of Little Bob and 15 of Plain Bob.

E. G. BENSON (St. Cath.) ... 1-2	W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY (Trin.) 3-4	E. H. LEWIS (Trin.) ... 7-8
H. G. BENSON (King's) ... 9-10	

Composed by E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.). Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

This is the first spliced peal of Plain and Little Bob Royal, and was rung on the 43rd anniversary of the foundation of the Guild.

## THE LATE MR. W. W. GIFFORD.

## PROPOSED MEMORIAL.

A suggestion having been made that a memorial should be erected by the ringers of England to the memory of the late Mr. W. W. Gifford, subscriptions will be gladly received for that purpose.

It is hoped that this appeal will be responded to by the Guilds and Societies of Ringers throughout the country.

Mr. J. R. Jerram is the hon. treasurer, and subscriptions, which will be acknowledged through 'The Ringing World,' should be sent to Mr. L. Harris, Britford, Salisbury, or Mr. F. W. Roman, 41, Green Croft Street, Salisbury, St. Martin's company of ringers, Salisbury, joint hon. secs.

## THE LADIES' GUILD.

The quarterly meeting of the Ladies' Guild, Midland district, was held at St. Giles', Willenhall, on Saturday, January 21st. The attendance of members was very small, due, perhaps, partly to the weather, which was not ideal. Certainly the 'flu' kept some away, but those who did put in an appearance had a very pleasant time. The bells, with the help of the gentlemen, were kept going until time for service, which was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. L. H. P. Hyatt, M.A.), who also played the organ, assisted by the curate (the Rev. G. Fletcher). Both gentlemen joined the visitors at tea, which was prepared in the Church House. A pleasant surprise was provided by the announcement that the local ringers had provided the tea, and all the party had to do was to enjoy it, which they did.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar and curate, also to the local ringers.

Handbell ringing by the ladies and gentlemen brought a pleasant meeting to a close.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

## NORTHERN BRANCH.

The annual Grimsby district meeting of the Northern Branch was held at Grimsby on January 21st, but owing to the inclement weather not many visiting members attended, but the few who faced the elements and the local ringers took part in a successful meeting. Touches in various methods were rung on the Parish Church bells, and prior to this a service was held, at which the Vicar of Grimsby (the Rev. Canon A. A. Markham) officiated, and gave a most suitable address. Mr. E. P. Guthrie, Mus. Bac., presided at the organ.

After tea, a business meeting took place, the Vicar, owing to the unavoidable absence of the vice-president (the Rev. H. T. Parry), taking the chair, supported by the Rev. J. Stewart Jobling. New members were elected, the officers re-elected, and places for this year's meetings, including Barrow-on-Humber, Waltham, Ulceby, and Barton-on-Humber, were decided upon.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar for presiding and for the use of the bells, and to Mrs. Moore, who kindly undertook the catering, in the place of the caretakers (Mr. and Mrs. Kent). Mr. Kent was very ill at the time, and passed away on the following Tuesday.

The ringers returned to the tower, where further ringing concluded a pleasant evening.

**THE APPLETON LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.****THE COMPOSITION.**

Appended is the composition of the 19,115 Grandsire Caters, composed by G. Hollifield, senr., which is to be attempted at Appleton tomorrow (Saturday). The starting time will be 9 a.m.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	2 5 4 6 3 9 7 8
3 2 4 5 6 9 8 7	1-3-4
2 4 3 5 6	87
4 3 2 5 6	87
2 3 6 5 4	79
6 3 4 5 2	79
3 4 6 5 2	87
4 6 3 5 2	87
3 6 2 5 4	79
2 6 4 5 3	79
6 4 2 5 3	87
4 2 6 5 3	87
6 2 3 5 4	79
5 2 4 6 3	7 in and out. 87
4 2 3 6 5	79
3 2 5 6 4	79
2 5 3 6 4	87
5 3 2 6 4	87
2 3 4 6 5	79
4 3 5 6 2	79
3 5 4 6 2	87
5 4 3 6 2	87
3 4 2 6 5	79
2 4 5 6 3	79
4 5 2 6 3	87

These last 12 courses three times repeated except 10th course of last part, called 7th in and out at 2 with double, produces  
2 5 4 6 3 9 7 8

5 6 3 2 4	8 in and out. 78S
3 4 6 2 5	89
4 6 5 2 3	79
6 5 4 2 3	78
5 4 6 2 3	78
6 4 3 2 5	89
3 4 5 2 6	89
4 5 3 2 6	78
5 3 4 2 6	78
4 3 6 2 5	89
6 3 5 2 4	89
3 5 6 2 4	78
6 5 3 2 4	78S
3 5 4 2 6	89
4 5 6 2 3	89
5 6 4 2 3	78
6 4 5 2 3	78
5 4 3 2 6	89
3 4 6 2 5	89
4 6 3 2 5	78
6 3 4 2 5	78
4 3 5 2 6	89
5 3 6 2 4	89
3 6 5 2 4	78

These 24 courses 4 times repeated, except last course in 5th part, produces  
4 2 5 6 3  
Rounds by 9 in and out at 2

**THE RECORD LENGTH OF LONDON.****MR. LINDOFF'S CLAIM TO OWNERSHIP.****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—In publishing the figures of the 14,144 London the Rev. H. L. James claims that it was composed by himself. All that he has done has been to splice my three main blocks in a different way.

The selection and proof of this mass of material has all been done by me. Not one lead had Mr. James to prove. There is plenty of scope in the method if Mr. James wishes to branch out for himself, without varying other people's peals.

**AN OLD GRANDSIRE COMPOSITION.**

Re the footnote to peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Hull on Jan. 12th. This peal has been in circulation for the last twenty-five years, as my composition.

As far as I know it was first rung by the Yorkshire Association on the old eight at Beverley Minster—in a slightly varied form—conducted by W. C. Hunt, about 1900 or 1901. I called it myself at St. George's, Dublin, in 1902. I might say I am not yet convinced that anyone else has a prior claim to the composition.—Yours faithfully,  
G. LINDOFF.

**A STURRY PEAL BOARD.**

To celebrate the fixing in the tower of a peal board to record a peal rung in April last, at St. Nicholas' Church, Sturry, Kent, a quarter-peal of Plain Bob Minor was rung on Saturday, January 28th, in 43 minutes, by: P. Crouch 1, R. French 2, R. Maile 3, W. Thompson 4, W. Goldfinch 5, E. Slingsby (conductor) 6. The board itself is an oak shield, beautifully carved. The whole of the work has been done by Mr. R. French (ringer of the 2nd), to whom many thanks were expressed. A local peal, before the warm weather, is the ambition of the band.

**MR. THOMAS JULL'S 100 PEALS.**

Peals of Minor in 4 methods	3
Peals of Minor in 5 methods	1
In seven methods	88
In seven Surprise methods	1
Grandsire Triples	2
Bob Major	2
Kent Treble Bob Major	3

Total ..... 100

Forty-five of these peals were rung at Tunstall, including his first peal on December 31st, 1901. The time occupied in ringing the peals has given him 273 hours 30 mins, great pleasure, besides many ups and downs on the 'old iron grid.' The peals were rung in 16 Kentish towers and with 60 Kentish ringers.

**DOUBLE NORWICH.**

Having cleared the ground from certain false presuppositions, I proceed to the extension of the Double Norwich method. But first of all we must decide what the method is.

On page 46 in the late Jasper Snowdon's book on Double Norwich he gives an extract from 'The Clavis' as follows: 'The first peal that was rung in the above method was by the St. Peter's company in the City of Norwich, on the old peal of ten bells which formerly occupied that steeple.' And again, a little further down the page, 'in the Osborne MSS., in the British Museum, it is stated that the Double Norwich Court Method was invented by Thomas Porter, a trunkmaker, residing in the Market Place, Norwich, and that the first performance was a peal of Ten-In, rung in Norwich in 1769.'

Now, these two statements prove conclusively that Double Norwich was first produced as a ten-bell method, and this fact very much simplifies our inquiry.

Double Norwich Royal is given in 'The Clavis' in the form in which we all know it. The bell which passes the treble in 2-3 up goes up to eighth's place, makes it, changes with the treble, makes 7th's, and turns the treble from behind. The bell the treble turns from lead makes 4th's, changes with the treble, makes 3rd's and up. This place making causes dodging, of which we need take no notice.

Fourth's and third's are the two nearest interior places to 1-2, and 8th's and 7th's are the two nearest interior places to 9-0.

To mark the method out on any number of bells, 3rd's and 4th's will remain the same; 8th's and 7th's will be 6th's and 5th's on eight bells; 10th's and 9th's on twelve bells, etc., on any number. Thus, we get the well-known Major and Maximus, and nothing else can possibly be Double Norwich.

Now consider the Major; it is capable of extension in several ways.

1. We can make 4th's and 3rd's, 6th's and 5th's as the treble goes up; we have the same shunts and the same lead end; it is, therefore, a valid extension, but it is not double (Royal and Maximus).

2. We can make 5th's and 4th's, 7th's and 6th's as the treble goes up; this is double, but involves dodging in 2-3 and blows in front, and so is useless (Royal).

3. We can make 6th's and 5th's, 8th's and 7th's, as the treble goes up; this is double in Maximus, but not in Royal.

Some people have made the mistake of trying to make 4th's and 3rd's, 6th's and 5th's and 8th's and 7th's, etc., as the treble goes up, but this is not the same method, because you are putting in an extra shunt for every pair of places, and if you may do that in one method you may do it in all. Take Bob Major and make 7th's place with treble behind; you have only put in an extra shunt of the same nature, and so Bob Major and Double Bob Major are the same method, which is absurd.  
H. LAW JAMES.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting of the Fylde Branch was held at St. Anne's-on-Sea Parish Church on Saturday, January 28th. Ringing commenced soon after 3 p.m. on the splendid ring of eight bells (tenor 16½ cwt.), by Taylor's. This is the only ring from the Loughborough Foundry in the district. Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman were successfully brought round; also touches, double-handed, on handbells, by A. Hague, F. Greenwood, W. Wilde and C. Sharples. Offers were made by these latter to give a few lessons in double-handed handbell ringing to any who wish to take up the art.

At the business meeting, a proposition by the Secretary that the Fylde Branch fall into line with all the other branches of the Association and advertise its future meetings in 'The Ringing World,' was agreed to.—It was also decided to attempt a peal of Grandsire Triples at St. Anne's on Saturday, March 4th.

**MR. J. OLDHAM'S 100 PEALS.**

	Rung.	Convinced.
Bob Minor	1	
Minor in three Methods	1	
Grandsire Triples	9	
Grandsire Caters	1	
Stedman Triples	21	
Stedman Caters	8	
Bob Major	1	
Kent Treble Bob Major	7	
Kent Treble Bob Royal	1	
Double Norwich Major	11	1
Superlative Surprise Major	11	2
New Cambridge Surprise Major	1	
Cambridge Surprise Major	20	2
Cambridge Surprise Royal	4	
London Surprise Major	3	
	100	5

**A RINGERS' DIRECTORY.***To the Editor.*

Sir,—In connection with the leading article and Mr. Baker's letter in your issue of to-day, there lies open before me a copy of 'The Change Ringers' Guide to the Steeples of England,' compiled by J. E. Acland-Troyte and R. H. D. Acland-Troyte, price 1s. 7d. post free. Wells Gardner, 1882, so that Mr. Baker's idea is not new. But, of course, as you truly remark, such a publication very soon gets out of date. There never was, so far as I know, any second issue of 'The Change Ringers' Guide,' and the volume now forms only a curiosity, albeit a most interesting one.

I rather think that I should be inclined to propose one or two slight modifications of the suggestions that you put forward. Would it not be possible for you to give in 'The Ringing World'—say, one a month—a list with addresses of hon. secretaries of Guilds and Associations, or (if the whole list be too long) a portion of them?

There cannot be more than about 60 all told, and you might give 12 or 15 at a time. Then any inquirer could write direct to the hon. secretary of the particular area he proposes to visit; and if each of these hon. secretaries, when his annual Guild report is printed, would order two or three dozen slips of the pages containing his list of towers, with number of bells and weight of tenor, name of captain or correspondent, and practice night, a copy of the slip for, say, 2d. post free, could be sent by return post, and the inquirer would have at command all the information that he would be likely to want. If he had to spend first 1d. in writing to the hon. secretary of the Central Council, then to wait for a reply to that, then to spend 2d. in writing to the Guild hon. secretaries, and then wait for a second reply—well, he might do it, but I rather doubt it. And besides this, there is the additional work put on the shoulders of the hon. secretary of the C.C., on which point I speak feelingly.

Feb. 3rd, 1922.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES.

Our suggestion was not to put the work on the shoulders of the hon. secretary of the Central Council, but that ringers should apply to their own Association secretaries, who should forward the inquiry to the secretary of the Association which the member wishes to visit.—Ed. 'R.W.'

**RINGING IN AMERICA.**

DIFFICULTIES IN THE WAY OF FORMING A YOUNG BAND.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Among the letters I have received recently, one writer ventures to ask 'if there is not one man capable of taking a bunch of lads and instructing them as we do in England.' I should have forestalled such an erroneous, but pardonable, idea in my first letter. I will attempt to explain why one man—capable he may be—is not able to do it.

All told, there are only 12 peals of bells in the whole North America that are hung for ringing, as we know ringing, the ones in addition to those mentioned in my first letter being as follows: One peal at New York City, three at Philadelphia, Pa.; one at the University of Chicago, Illinois; one at Vancouver Cathedral, British Columbia; and one at Charleston, North Carolina. Coupling this fact with the following, one can readily see that one man would have to be a superman to turn out ringers on a large scale. Prior to the year 1913 no ringing on any of these bells had taken place since the year 1850, with the exception of the peal at Christ Church, Philadelphia, where, I believe, a Mr. Head has endeavoured at various times to instruct a band with varying success; and at Groton School. Therefore, to Americans, the art of bell ringing is as strange a mystery as Einstein's theory of relativity; moreover, anything that has the slightest taint of English parentage is taboo, and, whether good or bad, is ignored, except among a certain class of broad-minded persons.

Even if we found a few pupils we would find it difficult, at the present state of our activities, to teach them, as we get no practice ourselves—for reasons mentioned in my first letter. What we have to do, if we are to push bell ringing in this country, is to become sufficiently strong in numbers so that we can practise and reach such a point of perfection in the art as to arouse and hold the interest of the uninitiated. Americans always want to be shown that a thing can be done; then they usually accept it. If a band could be obtained sufficiently strong in numbers to ring a peal, and ring it well, I believe it would be the means of 'starting something.'

For the benefit of those who may be acquainted with them the following from England are located at Boston: Mr. Richard Newton, of Manchester; Mr. Phillip Alfrey, of Brighton, Sussex; Mr. J. F. Laker, of Tunbridge Wells; Mr. William Bashford, of Nutfeld, Surrey; and Mr. Joseph Goodhead, of Stoke-on-Trent. All are first-class ringers.—Yours faithfully,

24, St. Botolph Street, Boston, Mass.

January, 1922.

ALEXANDER MATTHEWS.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,****LOUGHBOROUGH.****THE****LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**  
In Sets of any number.

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

What is supposed to be the first true peal of Cambridge Surprise Major—it was referred to in Mr. Trollope's recent article on Charles Middleton—was rung on February 11th, 1873. Next year will thus be the jubilee.

The anniversaries of two noteworthy peals at Oldham occur next week. On February 12th, 1821, a peal of 14,016 Kent Treble Bob was rung, and on February 15th, 1825, 9,999 Grandsire Major.

On February 14th, 1731, a peal of 7,018 Grandsire Cinques was rung at Cornhill, 'the longest peal that had been rung on twelve bells at that time.' Benjamin Annuable called the bobs, and this famous College Youth played a similar part in the next longer length that was rung nearly five years later at Southwark.

By a coincidence the present record peal in the method was put up on the same day of the same month, as the long peal of 1731. It was on February 14th 1920, that the Painswick men rang their famous 13,001 Grandsire Cinques.

The anniversary of another long peal at Painswick falls on the 16th, for it was on that day, in February, 1858, that the 8,448 Stedman Cinques was rung.

On February 16th, 1789, St. Martin's Youths rang 14,244 Bob Major in 8 hrs. 45 mins., at Aston, and on February 16th, 1790, a peal of 6,000 Oxford Treble Bob Royal was rung at Great St. Mary's, Cambridge.

Conductors are reminded that any peal rung in the year 1921 and not published before the end of February will not be included in the Analysis. If there are any 1920 peal performances not yet published they should, therefore, be sent to us at once.

## PUBLICATIONS.

### To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I am always very interested in your leaders and the same comments on topical matters contained therein, and as your article in the issue of January 27th re the publication of Major Methods rather invites suggestions, I take the liberty of offering one. Would it be a feasible idea to issue these publications in monthly parts of about 16 pp. demy 8vo., with a cover containing advertisements of a miscellaneous nature, and, of course, including other publications pertaining to change ringing. In such a form I should think it could be sold at a price which would be easily within the reach of most ringers, and if it was successful, perhaps, the Minor methods could be re-issued in the same form, and so make up a comprehensive volume.

With regard to the publication of instruction books in general, I think it is a great pity that two or three of the Snowden series have been so long 'out of print.' On the other hand, I am of the opinion that most of them are a little bit too technical for the ordinary ringer, and this point came home to me forcibly when a young ringer wrote to the author of 'Hints to Beginners' in your paper some time ago, stating that he had got so far with Double Norwich, but was rather puzzled with certain points, and 'Conductor' gave him a few useful hints, which I am sure helped him tremendously. Again, 'J.A.T.' gave us matter in one column of your valued Journal a fortnight ago that is of more use to the average ringer than 100 pages of some of the more technical publications issued. Therefore, I am wondering whether the Central Council could see their way to arrange for the issue of a series of quite small handbooks giving in quite simple and terse terms all that is necessary to enable a band to ring Plain Bob from Minimus to Maximus, even without instruction, in one handbook, Grandsire in another, and so on.

I well remember when I started change ringing 34 years ago, I said to my instructor (who was self-taught), 'If you can tell me how to find the bells I have to strike over, when dodging, I think I shall soon improve.' This was after much vain and laborious endeavour. Well, after less than an hour of pencil and paper the whole thing was made quite clear to me, and I went ahead as fast again, and started my ringing career on tower bells, with two peals in one day—one of Grandsire and one of Bob Triples. Likewise, I believe many a band would find the beginning much easier if they could obtain a little booklet giving quite simple rules for each method and all the useful hints gained by experience.—Yours faithfully, F. W.

## BARNSELEY & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting was held at headquarters, Barnsley, on Saturday, January 21st. Members assembled early and in fair numbers, in spite of inclement weather. Ringing took place during the afternoon and evening, and the variety of methods on 8 and 6 bells was greater in number and intricacy than ever known before at a meeting of the Association.

At the business meeting, a general review of the past year was considered as progressive and hopeful for the future. Mr. W. Rayner was elected president, the other officials being re-elected. The next meeting is to be held at Horbury, on February 11th.

**NORWICH ASSOCIATION'S PROPOSED EXTENSION.****IPSWICH BRANCH TO COVER WEST SUFFOLK.**

A committee meeting of the Suffolk Branch of the Norwich and Ipswich Association, representing 400 ringers in Suffolk, was held at Ipswich on Saturday, February 4th, when it was resolved

That this Ipswich Branch be known henceforth as the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Branch, the Branch to remain as heretofore united with the Norwich Branch (henceforth to be known as the Norwich Diocesan Branch) forming together one Association covering the two Dioceses, to be known in future as the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association.

This resolution will come up for ratification at the general meeting of the Branch at Easter.

The result of this re-naming the Association will enable the boundary of the Association to be extended to include West Suffolk, and give the ringers in that district an opportunity of joining as annual subscribers.

**FORTY YEARS IN ONE BELFRY.****PRESENTATION AT PULBOROUGH.**

An interesting little ceremony took place in the belfry at Pulborough, Sussex, on a recent Sunday evening, when Mr. L. N. Corden, J.P., on behalf of the ringers, presented to Mr. Stephen Stone an illuminated address, silver-mounted walking stick, pipe, and tobacco pouch, as a mark of their esteem, and in recognition of having completed forty years as a bell ringer in Pulborough Parish Church.—Mr. Stone acknowledged the gift in a few well-chosen words, and thanked Mr. Corden for his kind remarks.

**DEATH OF A PRESTON RINGER.**

By the death of Mr. Robert Fisher, or 'Bob,' as he was popularly known, the Preston Parish Church belfry has lost its oldest member. The deceased was for over 40 years a ringer at the church, and rarely had any fines against him for being late or absent. He was a life member of the Lancashire Association, and up to a few years ago was invariably present at the meetings of the Preston Branch. Though he was not the master of many methods, he was a cheerful and interesting personality, ever ready to make up a band for what he could ring. About four years ago he had a seizure which deprived him of the use of his left arm. This paralysis finally resulted in his death on January 27th, at the age of 71 years. His last visit to the tower was on the occasion of the peace celebrations in July, 1919. It was a hard struggle to get him up and down the steps, but 'Bob' said, with tears in his eyes, how happy he was to have been in the belfry once again.

He was laid to rest in Preston Cemetery on February 1st, on Monday evening, January 30th, his comrades rang a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, with the bells half-muffled, and on Saturday, February 4th, an attempt was made for a half-muffled peal in the same method. Unfortunately two muffles came loose after the bells had been going for half an hour, so a quarter-peal was rung, time not permitting another start for the longer length. The ringers taking part were Messrs. A. Martin, E. R. Martin, J. Bimson, B. A. Knights, E. Armstrong, F. Harwood, R. Sanderson, W. Heald and A. E. Woolhouse.

**EALING'S 'LOCAL' PEALS.****UNVEILING AND DEDICATION CEREMONY.**

On Saturday, February 4th, at St. Stephen's Church West Ealing, Middlesex, the Vicar (the Rev. W. Maynard, M.A.) officiated at the unveiling and dedication of a peal board which records the ringing of two peals of Stedman Triples, by the local band, for the Ancient Society of Collegio Youths. This is the first peal board to be fixed in the tower.

The bells were open for ringing, from 3.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m., when the ceremony took place, after which the bells were kept going till 5 p.m. The company (which included the wives of the local band Mr. W. T. Cockerill, secretary of the Collegio Youths, and several other well-known London members) then adjourned to the Parish Room, where tea was waiting.

Afterwards a course of Grandsire Caters was successfully brought round on the handbells, and Mr. J. Thomas greatly interested those present with a course of Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise Major on the piano. By kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. C. J. Sharp) the bells of St. Mary's, Ealing, were open for ringing during the evening. The methods rung in the afternoon were Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Cambridge and London Surprise Major. Despite the very inclement weather, a very pleasant time was spent by those present.

**FIRST PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE ROYAL.****WAKEFIELD MEN'S ACHIEVEMENT.**

Recently we referred to the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal, mentioning that, although it was supposed by many that the first in this method was rung in Cheltenham in 1895, there was on record a peal rung a hundred years ago at Wakefield. Happily, the record of this early peal still exists, and, what is equally important in a method of this description where there is possibility of the composition being false, the figures have been preserved to us. The peal is recorded, together with a peal of Stedman Caters rung only a few days previously, on a board in the belfry of All Saints' Church, and we have to thank Mr. J. T. Eason, the steepkeeper, and Mr. James Moorhouse, for taking a copy of the board for publication. It is as follows:

**BELFRY OF ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, WAKEFIELD.**

On Wednesday, the 19th day of October, 1821, the society of ringers executed a peal of Caters on Stedman's Principle, consisting of 5,073 changes, in 3 hours and 11 minutes, which was performed by the following persons, viz.: Wm. Woodhead 1, J. Sugden 2, J. Priestley 3, G. Pickering 4, T. Rafton 5, J. Gill 6, Josh Gill 7, John Hall 8, R. Collett 9, J. Wilson 10.

On Saturday, the 26th day of October, 1822, nine of the society of ringers at this church, with Josh Tebbs, of Leeds, succeeded in accomplishing a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal, comprising 5,400 changes, in 3 hours and 35 mins., being the first peal ever attempted in the above difficult Method by any set of Men in the Kingdom, which will be a standing Laurel for the Society for ages to come. The above peals were composed and conducted by William Woodhead.

**The Band as Stationed.**

Mark Blackburn...	Treble
Josh Sugden	2nd
Josh Tebbs	3rd
Geo. Pickering	4th
John Hall	5th
James Gill	6th
Josh Gill	7th
Thos. Netherwood	8th
Wm. Woodhead	9th
Robt. Collet	Tenor

**The Peal.**

	54632
	36245
	42563
	65324
1st Part End	42356
2nd Part End	34256
3rd Part End	23456

The composition, it will be seen, is the extension of the five-course block (obtained by calls at Middle and Wrong in each course) to fifteen courses by a bob at H in the last course of each part. William Woodhead was the composer of the peal, although, of course, the basis of it is really Annable's peal of Bob Major.

Regarding the performance in the light of the position of ringing a century ago, everyone will be prepared to agree with the statement that the peal will be a standing Laurel for the Society for ages to come.

Mr. Eason informs us that he believes there is in possession of Mr. Walter Scott, of Johnston Street, Wakefield, a printed copy of the record of a peal of Superlative Surprise Royal rung in Wakefield in the year 1821.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.****READING BRANCH MEETING.**

The annual meeting of the Reading Branch of Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at Reading on Saturday last, and in spite of the inclement weather was well attended, members being present from Henley, Caversham, Dursley, Tilehurst, Mortimer, and the three town beffries.

Service was held in St. Mary's Church, the Master of the Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) officiating. An appropriate address was given by the Rev. C. A. W. Aylen, Vicar of Shiplake.

The members and friends then proceeded to St. Mary's Schools, kindly lent by the Vicar (the Rev. Wickham Legg). Full justice having been done to a splendid knife and fork tea, the business meeting followed, 48 members being present, including Canon Coleridge (Crowthorne), Miss Davis (Bucklebury), and Mr. and Mrs. Paice (Basingstoke). The Master presided, in the absence of Mr. W. Pole, Routh, through illness, and was supported by the Guild general secretary (Mr. R. T. Hibbert), Messrs. A. J. Wright, A. W. Pike, Supt. Wiggins, E. J. Forster, A. W. Mendry, J. Swain, G. White, O. Collins, S. Neville, W. Appleby, W. Newell, W. Ford, etc.

The secretary's report showed good progress at all the towers of the branch, and gave special praise to the Dursley ringers. On the financial side the balance in hand was the largest the Branch has ever known.

All the officers were re-elected with the exception of Mr. H. Tucker, who was elected on the general committee in the place of Mr. A. Cullum, who is serving in another way.—Mr. A. W. Pike was elected deputy chairman.

During the afternoon and evening, ringing was indulged in at St. Mary's and St. Lawrence's, touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters being rung at the latter, and London Surprise Major at the former.

This meeting proved one of the most successful gatherings the Branch has ever known.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.



**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.****NORTHERN BRANCH TO INSTITUTE MONTHLY MEETINGS.**

The quarterly meeting of the Northern Branch was held at Kidderminster, on Saturday, January 28th, about 30 members being present from the various towers. A larger attendance would have been welcomed, but owing to illness, and the great amount of unemployment in the branch, it must be considered that the average was well maintained.

The business meeting was presided over by the Rev. S. J. C. Evans. It was decided, on the recommendation of the Central Committee, to institute monthly meetings in future, and it was suggested that monthly ringing meetings take place, as follows: Cradley in Feb.; Stourbridge in March (the annual meeting takes place at Worcester in April, on Easter Monday); Bransgrove in May; and the quarterly meeting in June, at Hartlebury. These fixtures are provisional, and the secretary will make the necessary arrangements. Due notice will appear in 'The Ringing World.' It is hoped that the members will rally to these monthly meetings, especially the younger ringers, as those responsible for the movement desire to encourage young ringers (and some older ones), who, in the usual way, do not get an opportunity to ring certain methods with their own particular bands. These meetings will provide the opportunity of ringing more advanced methods with experienced ringers, who would make a point of being present at these monthly gatherings. A special point will be made of getting members through their first touch, though it only be Grandsire Doubles or Bob Minor. It is felt that such meetings as these, with proper support from the more experienced members, and the attendance of young ringers and others desirous of learning more methods, will give the necessary impetus to change ringing, and the carrying on of the work of the Association.

The suggestion was heartily supported at the meeting, and due notice will appear in 'The Ringing World' as to the date of the 'first' monthly meeting.

Thanks to the Vicar and wardens for providing tea were proposed by Mr. A. E. Parsons, seconded by Mr. W. Short.

The wardens and chairman having replied, a move was made to the church for the usual association service, which was conducted by the Vicar, who gave an interesting address on the uses and misuses of church bells, and a few words of encouragement to the ringers.

Ringing took place before and after the meeting and service, touches in various methods from Grandsire to London and Bristol being successfully brought round.

It was exceedingly gratifying to see some of the old Kidderminster ringers, viz., Mr. R. Grove and Mr. J. Pagett, appearing again in the tower of their many successes in the past.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.****CENTRAL DISTRICT MEETING.**

A successful meeting of the Central District of the Surrey Association was held at Mitcham, on Saturday, February 4th. The bells of Christ Church and SS. Peter and Paul were made good use of during the afternoon and evening by about 50 members, the methods ranging from Grandsire Doubles to London Surprise Major. Two touches that were noticeable were rung by novices who had not been ringing long, including four ladies from Clapham Park.

Service was held at the Parish Church, followed by tea at the Queen's Head, provided by Mr. Chas. Bance, one of the local ringers.

At the business meeting afterwards, the chair was taken by Col. N. F. Bidder, one of the churchwardens, supported by the Master (Mr. J. D. Drewett).

Two new members were elected, and the election of nine others was ratified.—It was decided to hold the next meeting at Dorking on Easter Monday.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Feb. 4th, a quarterly meeting of the Winchester District was held at Alton, by kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. R. T. Elwin). The following towers were represented: Bishopstoke, Bishop Sutton, Farnham, North Stoneham, Portsea, Winchester, and the local band.

Tea was provided at the Mikado Restaurant, the Vicar being in the chair.—A vote of thanks was proposed by the Secretary (Mr. W. T. Tucker) to the Vicar for his presence at tea, and for the use of the bells.—The Vicar, in reply, said he hoped they would visit Alton again and bring better weather with them.—A hearty welcome was extended to the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, secretary, Basingstoke district, who was present. Apologies were received from the Rev. N. C. Woods, general secretary; the Rev. W. C. Colchester, treasurer; and Mr. Wilfred Andrews, all of Winchester, who were unable to be present.

The methods rung during the day were Grandsire and Stedman Triples Bob, Treble Bob, and Double Norwich Major. The next meeting will be at Cheriton and Titchborne in May.

**DUBLIN SURPRISE MAJOR.****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—It may interest your readers to know that I sent the figures of this method to Mr. Lindoff shortly after the appearance of Suffolk Surprise, and pointed out the advantage of having a clean proof scale, and he wrote and thanked me for them.

I also sent a copy of the method to Mr. C. T. Coles on May 22nd, and have by me a letter from him dated July 13th, in which he has picked down the first treble lead, and asks for some further particulars about it.—Yours most sincerely,

Seafeld Park, Feb. 3rd, 1922.

E. BANKES JAMES.

Dear Sir,—The method you published in this week's issue of your paper I produced in 1902, along with the others of its class—Peterborough and Lancashire Surprise. Bristol had been previously rung by the Brighton band, and as the Rev. E. Bankes James stated, that he had produced all the methods of that class, Peterborough was credited to his name when rung by the Sheffield District Society. The Rev. A. T. Beeston, and Messrs. Sam Thomas, Jno. Flint and Arthur Knights have all seen this method from my book.—Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR CRAVEN.

**MR. LINDOFF'S DISCLAIMER.**

After the above letters had been put into type we received the following from Mr. Lindoff:—

Dear Sir,—Mr. Bailey ought not to give me all the credit of this method. Practically three had a hand in it, the Rev. A. T. Beeston and the Rev. E. Bankes James, besides myself.—Yours, etc.,

G. LINDOFF.

**DONCASTER & DISTRICT SOCIETY.****A GROWING MEMBERSHIP.**

The annual meeting of the above society was held at St. George's, Doncaster, on January 21st. In spite of the wretched weather conditions there was a good attendance of members, about 40 being present. A short service was held in the Forman Chapel, and was conducted by the president (the Ven. Archdeacon Sandford), who gave an eloquent address, taking as his text, 'Work your work belimes, and in His time He will give you your reward.'

Owing to the organist, Mr. Wilfrid Sanderson, Mus.Bac., F.R.C.O. (the famous composer of songs, etc.), being unable to be present, those who had hoped to hear him play on the magnificent five-manual organ were disappointed.

Tea was partaken of in the Memorial Hall. At the business meeting which followed, the Archdeacon presided, and was supported by Mr. G. Halksworth (vice-president), Mr. G. Clark, Ringing Master, and Mr. H. Walker, hon. secretary.—Letters of apology for absence were read from Mr. A. A. Bell, churchwarden; Mr. Potter, of the Barusley Society; Mr. H. Haigh, of the North Notts Association; Mr. F. Willey, vice-president of the Yorkshire Association; and Mr. J. Eagles, A.R.C.Sc., principal of the Technical College.

The secretary's report for 1921 was adopted.—Mr. G. Halksworth was re-elected vice-president, and was heartily thanked for his services during his term of office.—Mr. Halksworth responded, and gave some good advice to the younger members.

A Bell Repair Advisory Committee was formed for the district.

The Archdeacon was thanked for his services in the chair, and for the use of the bells.—In reply, he said he was always glad for the ringers of the district to use the bells of St. George's. Referring to his own ringers, he said they ought to feel honoured that they had such a capable man as Mr. Halksworth in charge of affairs, also that they had a lady ringer (Miss K. Jackson). He wished he had her brains, so that he could disentangle the mysteries of change ringing. Perhaps he was stupid—(laughter)—as he knew how it should be done, but he could never put it into practice. He lacked rope-sight. Anyway, he could ring, and had qualified as a member of the Yorkshire Association by drumming in to a quarter-peal at Sheffield when he was a lad.

Ringing continued until 9 o'clock, when the bells were brought down in peal, thus bringing a successful meeting to a close.

In the annual report it was stated that in the history of change ringing in the Doncaster district the year 1921 would be a memorable one, for it was in that year that the Doncaster and District Society was formed, and the first steps taken towards bringing together the different bands in the district with a view to cultivating better ringing. Already the society has justified its existence, for the standard of ringing in the district seemed to be higher now than it was at the end of 1920. The companies are more enthusiastic, and are taking a greater interest in the art and science. Much, however, remains to be done. The total membership of the society was at present 132, and these were drawn from 30 different towers.

The financial position was very satisfactory, and left nothing to be desired, there being a balance on the year's working of about £2 2s. Only two peals were rung during the year, a peal of Stedman Triples at Arksey, and a peal of Bob Major at Conisborough.



**SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.****RINGING AT AN OLD CITY CHURCH.**

On Sunday last, on the invitation of the vergers of St. Olave's, Hart Street, City, the following went to try the 'go' of the old peal of six bells, which hang in the tower, and which have not been rung for a considerable time, and 720 Cambridge Surprise was rung for morning service: G. L. Joyce 1, P. H. Avey 2, G. Dawson 3, E. Smith 4, W. Miller (conductor) 5, R. Sanders 6. A 360 in same method followed, with P. H. Avey treble, G. L. Joyce 2.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, February 5th, at St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, for evening service, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: A. F. M. Tuke (first quarter of Caters) 1, F. V. Sinkings 2, E. G. Tully (first quarter) 3, C. W. Roberts 4, A. Fisher 5, A. B. Bennett 6, P. E. Clark 7, A. V. Selby 8, W. E. Garrard (conductor) 9, H. G. Miles 10. Rung as a farewell to A. Fisher, who has joined H.M. Forces, also as a compliment to Irene Dorothy, only daughter of ringer of the 2nd married at St. Mary's, Slough, to Ivan Frank Bryant, captain, late Cheshire Regiment, the previous day.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on Sunday, February 5th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples: A. F. Bennington 1, E. J. Pannett 2, J. Crowder 3, E. B. Crowder 4, T. A. Easterby 5, A. Bradley 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, H. J. Norgate 8.

**LONDON.**—At St. Andrew's, Wells Street, on Sunday, February 5th, for evening service, 1,260 Stedman Triples, in 42 mins.: A. Cutmor 1, H. Dyas 3, G. C. Iles 4, W. E. Judd 5, H. Crook 6, W. H. Wood 7, E. Skevington (conductor) 8. Rung without a cover, after meeting short of Double Norwich.

**WRANGLE.**—Lincoln Diocesan Guild.—On Sunday, Feb. 5th, for evening service, 720 Double Court, in 24 mins.: A. Rose 1, J. W. Lakin, junr., 2, S. Woods 3, A. Pickwell 4, W. Houghton 5, F. Hilton (conductor) 6.

**STANTON, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Sunday, Feb. 5th, for evening service, 180 Bob Minor: S. France 1, R. Turner 2, W. Lycett 3, A. Shotton 4, W. Clay 5, E. V. Rodenhurst (conductor) 6. First touch of Minor by ringers of 1, 2, 4 and 5, who had never rung Minor until a month ago.

**HITCHIN, HERTS.**—At St. Mary's Parish Church, on Sunday evening, Feb. 5th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major, in 51 mins.: H. W. Else 1, Miss A. M. Durrant 2, E. W. Day 3, L. Fidler 4, G. Wolfe 5, J. Hare 6, W. J. Croft 7, G. T. Croft (conductor) 8.

**LEICESTER.**—On Sunday, Feb. 5th, at St. Margaret's, for morning service, 432, and for evening service, 576 Grandsire Caters: T. Bent, F. Sharman 2, A. Ballard 3, E. Morris (conductor) 4, E. E. Smith, junr., 5, H. Peach 6, J. Morris 7, H. Lock 8, A. Cattell 9, J. Vernon 10. Longest touch on the new bells and longest of Caters by the ringers of 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 10.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On Sunday, February 5th, at the Church of SS. Mary and Eanswythe, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Original, in 47 mins.: J. Coppins 1, Miss E. Jarvis 2, S. Binfield (conductor) 3, E. Bridges 4, J. Henley 5, A. Binfield 6, A. Kedwell 7, W. Knight 8. Rung for evensong, and also to mark the golden wedding day of Canon Erskine Knollys, aged 81, for many years Vicar of this church, who retired in 1914.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Stephen's, West Ealing, on Sunday, February 5th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, in 45 mins.: C. Edwards 1, E. J. Walsom 2, H. Belcher 3, P. E. Clark 4, E. Harris 5, A. R. Macdonald 6, A. Harding 7, W. H. Hollier 8. First quarter in the method with a bob bell by ringers of 2nd and 5th.

**CRANLEIGH, SURREY.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, for evening service, on February 5th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes, by Louis Head): E. Warner (first quarter on inside bell) 1, Mrs. Whittington 2, A. Bull 3, H. Charman 4, R. Whittington 5, T. Worsfold 6, A. Charman (conductor) 7, L. Warner (first quarter) 8. This is the first quarter on the bells since the recasting of the 5th.

**PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.**—On a recent Sunday, for evening service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: V. Corden 1, S. W. Corden 2, A. B. Corden 3, R. Pickett 4, E. Elliott 5, P. H. Doick 6, A. Greenfield (conductor) 7, H. J. Doick 8.

**EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—For Sunday evening service, on January 29th, 672 Grandsire Triples; also 168: W. Gondenough 1, W. Webb 2, A. Webb 3, W. J. Napper 4, E. E. Napper 5, T. East (conductor) 6, T. F. East 7, W. Warwick 8.

**CHELMSFORD.**—On January 29th, for morning service, at the Parish Church, Springfield (Chelmsford), 1,440 Bob Minor, in 45 mins.: J. H. Myhill 1, W. Praill 2, I. T. Poulton 3, A. E. Davis 4, E. Kemp 5, E. P. Buckingham (conductor). Rung as an opening touch, after the rehanging of the second bell and the overhauling of the other five by Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, January 29th, for evening service, at St. Dunstan's, Stepney, E., 1,239 Stedman Caters: T. W. Taffender, junr.,

1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, E. J. King 3, J. Scholes 4, J. Carter 5, J. R. Gammon 6, B. G. Chappelle 7, E. Brett 8, W. H. Pickett 9, G. Barrell 10.

**BRIERLEY HILL.**—At the Parish Church, for evening service, on January 29th, a quarter-peal of Darlston Bob Triples (1,260 changes), in 43 mins.: \*H. Holden 1, \*W. Masters 2, W. Polter 3, \*J. Kendall 4, \*J. Lloyd 5, \*E. T. Lloyd 6, E. C. Perkins (conductor) 7, \*R. Gordon 8. \* Longest length in the method. All are local ringers.

**BURSLEM, STAFFS.**—On Sunday, January 29th, for evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: R. Welsby 1, A. Lees 2, L. Pennington 3, T. Hurd 4, T. Hilditch (conductor) 5, W. P. Deane 6.

**USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.**

1,260 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES.

1,260 STEDMAN TRIPLES.

234567 Bobs at

2314567 S H L Q

532467 1 2 2 1

5413267 x x

245367 1 1 3 5

6315427 x x

752346 3 1 2 1

3425167 x x

357246 1 2 2 1

Twice repeated.

Repeat four times.

ISAAC J. ATTWATER.

Several shorter touches may be obtained by calling one course S.H.Q. instead of one or more parts.

A. J. PITMAN.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****NORTHERN DISTRICT'S SUCCESSFUL ANNUAL MEETING.**

The annual meeting of the Northern District of the London County Association was held on Saturday, January 21st, at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate. Ringing commenced at 3.30 p.m., touches in various methods being brought round. The service, timed for 5 p.m., was unfortunately cancelled owing to the Rev. Bullock, who had arranged to conduct it, being ill. Ringing was, therefore, carried on until 5.45 p.m., when a move was made to the Parish Hall for tea, to which a party of 28 sat down.

The business meeting followed. Letters from indisposed members were read, and it was agreed that letters of condolence be sent to them.

The cash statement was read and adopted, and all seemed pleased with the year's income and expenditure, it being agreed that a note be added to the effect that 'the balance in hand (12s. 11d.) is the best since the district's inauguration.'—The Master then made a short statement on the past year's work, thanking all for their support at the meetings. He hoped they would do all in their power to uplift the district, both in the ringing and social sides. The Secretary's statement followed, and it was resolved that it should be included in minutes. In the statement, thanks were accorded to the officers of 1921 for kind help and advice; the Master (Mr. Bullock) for his hearty co-operation in all matters connected with the district; Mr. Howell for his part in arrangements at practice meetings and sound advice on matters of business; Mr. P. Norton for acting as auditor for the year; to all steeplekeepers who did all in their power to make the meetings a success; and, lastly, to all members for their support. The meetings, which during the year totalled 15, were attended by 242 members, the average being a little over 16 members per meeting. It was hoped this would be increased, as otherwise with the cost of publishing a notice for two weeks and paying steepleage fees, there was bound to be a deficit. Fortunately other expenses had been low, and in some cases steepleage had been nil, and for that reason the statement showed a credit as already stated.

The following were elected officers for the year: Mr. J. Bullock, Master; Mr. E. C. Russell, secretary; Mr. A. Howell, steward; Mr. P. Norton, treasurer; Messrs. A. Turner and A. Riley, committeemen. This terminated the business, and a social programme was carried out, the secretary taking the chair. Through the kindness of the Master's brothers, sisters and friends (not forgetting his wee daughter), a programme which filled a jolly evening was carried out. Concerted items, harmonised songs, etc., by the whole bunch of 'Bullocks' were well rendered, and thoroughly enjoyed by all, encores being naturally in abundance.—Mr. Riley gave 'The old Mill,' Mr. Lambert, the new steeplekeeper, contributed a good song, and Stedman Triples by Messrs. F. G. Symonds, A. D. Barker, W. P. Smith, and Miss G. Bateman, and times by the Master and Mr. A. D. Barker were well rendered and enjoyed. Songs and dancing were merrily kept going until 10 p.m., when 'The King,' led by the Master's choral society, was sung, and a hearty vote of thanks to all artists who gave their help was accorded.

The district is greatly indebted to them for such a successful and most enjoyable evening, which, it was remarked, surpassed any social in history of the district.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WORKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).—The 34th Annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at The Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham (in the beautiful Connaught Room), on Saturday, Feb. 25th, at 6 o'clock, when the chair will be taken by Canon E. Grose Hodge, M.A., Rector of Birmingham. To fully qualified members tickets will be issued on payment of 3/- to meet the increased cost of the dinner; to other members and friends, 7/6 each. It is necessary for every full member to be clear on the books not later than Saturday, Feb. 18th. The bells of St. Martin (12) and the Cathedral (10) will be available from 3 to 5.15.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

BRISTOL UNITED GUILDS — First Annual Dinner.—Grand Hotel, Broad Street Bristol, Feb. 18th, at 6.30 p.m. Social afterwards. Ringing from 3 p.m. at St. James', St. Stephen's, St. Nicholas (10 bells), St. Philip, Temple (8 bells), St. Michael's (6).—Tickets, 6/-, from stewards, or Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol. Ticket-holders to report number of tickets sold to E. Guise by Feb. 8 at latest.

BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The monthly meeting will be held at Horbury, Saturday, February 11th. Bells ready early. Tea will be arranged for by the local company, but members must help by sending before the date postcards stating number of visitors, to M. G. Hunt, Northgate, Horbury.—C. D. Potter, Doncaster Road, Barnsley, Secretary.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bridgnorth District.—A meeting will be held at Coalbrookdale, on Saturday, February 11th. Bells (8) available 2.30.—George Case, District Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The Annual General meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells available: Bishopsgate and St. Andrew, Holborn, 2.45—4.0 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, 2.30; Service, 4.30; Tea in Parish House, Clare Market, 5.30; business meeting, 6.30. Members requiring tea must advise by Feb. 4th.—A. D. Barker, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Tonbridge District.—The Annual meeting of this district will be held at Tonbridge on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 5. Tea in the Parish Room after service, followed by business meeting.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Herne St. nr. Herne Bay, on Saturday, Feb. 11th, bells available at 3 o'clock. Subscriptions are now due, and should be forwarded as soon as possible, or can be paid at this meeting.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Isleworth on Saturday, Feb. 11th (by permission of the Rev. Dr. H. M. Relton and Churchwardens), who will entertain our members to tea. Visitors, other than members, will be asked to pay 1/3. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 5.30. Tea at 6.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Rd., W.4.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Harrold on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells from 2.30. Tea at the Institute. Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—H. L. Harlow, District Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James', Birch-in-Rusholme, on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 7 o'clock. Subscriptions due. Reports ready.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at West Derby on Saturday, February 11th. Bells ready at 4.30.—W. Hughes, Branch Sec., 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. — Guildford District.—A District meeting will be held at Dorking on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells available at 3. Service at 4.30, when an address will be given by the Vicar. Tea at 5, followed by a business meeting.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—The next meeting will be held at Great Dunmow on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Service, with address, at 4 o'clock, followed by tea at St. Mary's Room, 1s. each. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—Bert Redgwell, District Sec., Rayne, near Braintree.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Deanery Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Wilton on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea and business meeting at Waterloo Restaurant at 5 sharp. Service in St. Mary's Church at 6 o'clock. St. James's bells available after the service.—P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Hoghton on Feb. 11th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Appledore on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Bells available from 2 o'clock. Special service at 4.30. Tea, at 5 o'clock. Subscriptions are now due and will be gladly accepted at this meeting.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Sawbridgeworth on Feb. 11th, when the bells will be available during the afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at the King William IV. at 1s. per head. All ringing friends will be heartily welcome.—W. H. Lawrence, Hon. District Sec., Little Munden.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Ilchester Deanery Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Martock on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Bells (8) available at any time.—F. Farrant, Martock, Somerset.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—The closing date for the payment of the 1s. 8d. subscription is Feb. 28th. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on Feb. 16th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 9th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 21st; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District. —The Annual meeting will be held at Selby on Saturday, Feb. 18th. Bells of the Abbey (10) available from 1 p.m. to 9. Service at 4. Tea at 5 in Rimington's Cafe, Gouthorpe, at 1/9 each. Members requiring same must notify Mr. Wm. Arthur Hall, 34, New Lane, Selby, by Tuesday, Feb. 14th. Business meeting afterwards.—A. B. Cook, Hon. District Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Baldock, on Saturday, February 18th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service in Church at 5 o'clock. Tea at the White Lion at 5.30, followed by business meeting. Ringing will be resumed after the meeting.—F. R. Bacon, District Secretary, 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at the Parish Church, Burnley, on Saturday, February 18th. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Business: To discuss place and date of the annual branch meeting.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road.

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—A monthly ringing meeting for practice will be held at Cradley, on Saturday, February 18th. Bell available at 4 o'clock. Members who are desirous of ringing any particular method which they do not get an opportunity of ringing at their own tower, should attend these monthly meetings.—A. Davies, 29 Hampton St., Netherton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Glodwick, on Saturday, February 18th. Unveiling of Peal Tablet at 6 o'clock. Meeting to follow. Bells ready at 3. All ringers welcome.—T. K. Driver, Middleton.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Meetings for practice this month as follows:—Saturday, 18th, St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, ringing 5.30 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Thursday, 23rd, All Hallows, Lombard St., E.C., ringing from 7.30 p.m. sharp. Welcome to all in both cases.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Sec.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY** will hold a meeting on Saturday, February 18th, at the Parish Church, Ashton, for 10 and 12 bell practice only. Bells available from 4 to 6 o'clock.—C. Bower, Hon. Sec.

**LADIES GUILD.**—Northamptonshire District.—A meeting will be held at Desborough on Feb. 18th. Bells (6) ready at 2.30. Service 4 o'clock. Tea 4.30. Gentlemen most welcome. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, Feb. 15th.—Cecil E. Hepburn, Hon. Sec., The Pines, Isham.

**OXFORD UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.**—It is proposed to celebrate the jubilee of the Society, on Monday, February 20th. Any past members who wish to take part should write for further particulars to R. E. Havard, Hon. Sec., O.U.S.C.R., Keble Cottage, Oxford.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Saviour's,

Eastbourne, on Saturday, February 25th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 (1/- per head), followed by the business meeting, when the Rev. Canon Whelpton has promised to preside. The bells of All Saints' are available 6 p.m., Christ Church 7.15 p.m. and St. Mary's 6-7 p.m. All those intending to be present, kindly advise me by Wednesday, February 22nd.—Geb. W. Stokes, Hon. Div. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at East Malling, on Saturday, February 25th. Bells available at 3 o'clock, a short service at 5 o'clock. Tea provided by the Vicar and Churchwardens at 5.45. Business meeting after, all ringers intending being at the meeting must let me know not later than Tuesday morning, February 20th, or tea cannot be provided for them.—Stephen Hazyelden, Hon. Dis. Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District. —A quarterly meeting will be held at Staines (St. Peter's), on February 25th. Bells at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock, meeting to follow. St. Mary's bells also available. Those requiring tea, please notify me not later than Tuesday, February 21st.—H. F. Mills, Hon. Sec., 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The pre-Lent meeting will be held at Chester-le-Street, on Saturday, February 25th. Tea will be provided (about 1/- per head) for all members who notify me by the 21st inst.—B. C. Dixon, Hon. Sec., 80, Fern Dene Road, Gateshead.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at Gillingham (owing to the continued illness of the Vicar of Rainham), on Saturday, February 25th. Tower open at 3. Full particulars later. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due and should be paid at or before this meeting.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, second Monday, and St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATION VACANT.

Wanted, experienced single man for kitchen and flower garden. Good accommodation, with milk and vegetables found. Good 8-bell ringing in various methods near by.—Box 10, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.



**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.****SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT ERDINGTON.**

The fortieth quarterly meeting of the Guild was held at Erdington on Saturday, January 21st. Members were present from Birmingham, Coventry, Erdington, Exhull, Rugby, Stoke, and Sutton Coldfield. The influenza epidemic was responsible for many absentees, including the hon. secretary (Mr. A. Wilkerson). It was, nevertheless, a very good meeting, and some excellent ringing was brought round, ranging from Grandsire Doubles to Cambridge Major. Mr. O. J. Hunt kindly acted as deputy for the hon. secretary.

The towers of the Parish Church and the Abbey were open for ringing during the afternoon and evening, and it is a pleasure to acknowledge the kindness of the local bands and towerkeepers to the visitors.

A short service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the president (Canon Back), who also presided over the business meeting held in the Abbey Schools. He was supported by the Ringing Master, Mr. A. Roberts, Mr. James George, also Mr. Bernard Witchell, who is a tower of strength in the Erdington district.

The President read a letter from Mr. James George, thanking the Guild for the letter of congratulation sent to him on the completion of his 700th peal, also a letter from the Church Authorities at Bulkington, appealing for subscriptions toward their bell restoration fund, and he commended the appeal to the members present.—A letter from Mr. H. A. Heath, of Street Ashton Lodge, asking for instructors for the newly-formed band at Monks Kirby, was also read, and it was announced that arrangements had been made with members from Rugby for this purpose.

The next meeting date falling on Easter Eve, it was decided to hold the meeting on April 22nd, at Solihull. Sutton Coldfield was proposed, but withdrawn on account of the bells being out of order.

Eight new members were duly elected, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the clergy for the use of their bells, to the towerkeepers for the arrangements made, to Mr. Bernard Witchell for arranging such an excellent tea, and to the Abbey authorities for the use of the Schools for the tea and meeting.

The Rev. Father Lambert Nolle, O.S.B., who came in during the meeting, replied, and gave the Guild a hearty welcome.

On the motion of Mr. George, a unanimous vote of thanks was passed to the President for conducting the service in church, and also for presiding at the meeting.—Canon Back suitably replied.

**YORKSHIRE STONE.**

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

**BELL ROPES**

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**

LIMITED.

**COVENTRY.**

MAKERS SINCE 1730.

**RINGERS!**

Please send your enquiries.  
**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

**Clewellins**

**& James, Ltd.,**



**CHURCH BELLS SINGLY OR  
IN RINGS.**

**Bell Frames in Cast Iron, Steel  
and Oak.**

**Bells tuned on the latest im-  
proved principles initiated by  
the late Canon Simpson.**

**CASTLE GREEN**

**BRISTOL**



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowden Series.

#### REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	1	0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,

LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3¼ in.	3½ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-

Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed, Hand-  
bells in sets Chromatic or Diatonic.

### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

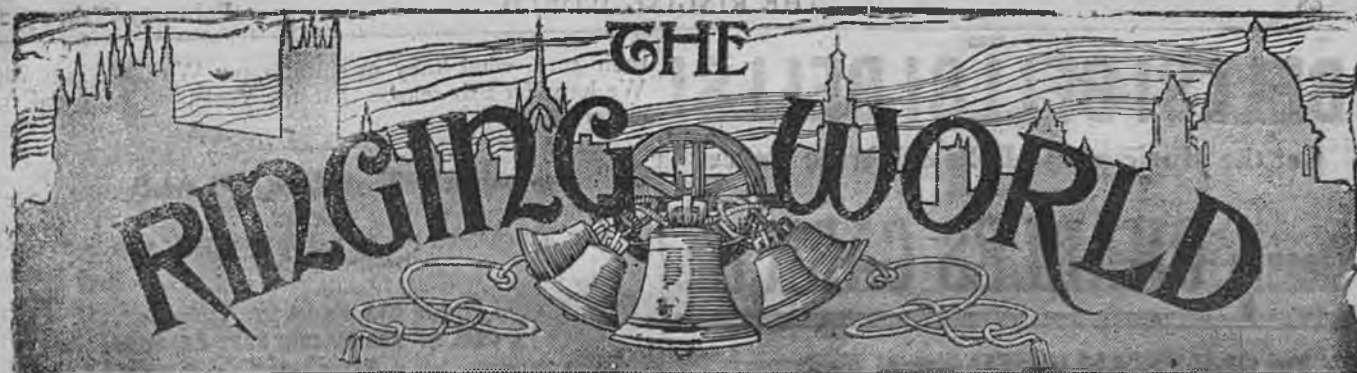
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 88/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
Telephone 171

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Hollis Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 870. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### JASPER WHITFIELD SNOWDON.

The proposal made at the annual meeting of the Yorkshire Association that steps be taken to organise a gathering every year to honour the memory of that great Yorkshireman, Jasper Whitfield Snowdon, is one which is likely to find ready acceptance among ringers in the North, and with which members of the Exercise in a far wider area are likely to be heartily in sympathy. We venture to assert that to no one man does the Exercise owe as much as to Mr. Jasper Snowdon, who, born in the year 1844, died in the year 1885, at the comparatively early age of 41, after a life of intense energy and activity. His death cut him off in the midst of work invaluable to change ringing, but not before he had given the Exercise some of the results of years of patient investigation and research, incorporated in a form which has ever since provided the standard textbooks for ringers. All the publications in the 'Snowdon' series were written and issued originally by him, or completed upon the basis of lines he had laid down and prepared.

Apart from the numerous articles on the scientific and historic aspects of ringing which he contributed to the ringing Press, from 1872 onward, he published first his treatise on Treble Bob, which dealt more exhaustively with the mathematical side of change ringing than any other work previously issued. From this he turned his attention to an elementary work, and 'Rope Sight,' which is still looked upon as the best 'first book' for the beginner, resulted. Then came 'Standard Methods' and 'Double Norwich Court Bob Major,' the while articles on Grandsire Triples, Stedman's Principle and Surprise peals were appearing in the Press, with the ultimate intention of embodying them in book form. Then came his almost tragic death, and with it the untimely close of a career of energy, usefulness and inestimable service to the Exercise.

His memory is perpetuated by a beautifully stained three-light window placed in Ilkley Church, but this remains only as a reminder to those who visit the church. It is well that something should be done to recall to present and future generations their indebtedness to the patience, the enthusiasm and the enterprise of Jasper Snowdon. To thousands to-day he is nothing more than a name; but an annual memorial gathering would enable his great services to the Exercise, by which he did more to popularise change ringing than any other man, to be more fully realised. There were giants in the Exercise in his days. Jasper Snowdon has himself acknowledged the immense debt he owed to men like Henry Hubbard, Henry Johnson, William Harrison and James and Tom Lockwood, and it is only fitting that ringers in these days should acknowledge in

(Continued on page 98.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 155, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

their turn what they owe to Jasper Whitfield Snowdon. We hope for this reason that the Yorkshire proposal may materialise.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS

HESTON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES:**

Tenor 14 cwt.

J. ARNIGER TROLLOPE ... Treble	CHARLES BIRD ... .. 5
WILLIAM HOLLIER ... .. 2	CECIL W. MAYNE ... .. 6
CHARLES I. EDWARDS ... .. 3	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 7
HAROLD P. JAMES ... .. 4	ARTHUR HARDING ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by J. ARNIGER TROLLOPE.

ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. Treble	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 5
EDMUND BATES ... .. 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 6
HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 3	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. 7
*ERNEST B. CROWDER ... 4	HENRY SIMMONS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

\* 50th peal. First peal of Stedman on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to E. Bates.

GILLINGHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES:**

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F sharp.

SERG. J. BENNETT, R.M. Treble	*T. JULL ... .. 5
*S. TAYLOR ... .. 2	*W. SPICE ... .. 6
W. DUDLEY ... .. 3	*G. WILSON ... .. 7
*H. T. WILSON ... .. 4	W. HAIGH ... .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by W. HAIGH.

\* First peal in the method.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES:**

Tenor 6½ cwt.

REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... Treble	HAROLD G. JENNEY ... .. 5
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 2	JAMES S. HUTCHBY ... .. 6
JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 3	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 7
FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... 4	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

The conductor has now called a peal of Major in this method from every bell.

ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES:**

Tenor 15 cwt.

*JONATHAN PRESTON ... Treble	OLIVER G. NORMAN ... .. 5
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 2	*JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 6
WILLIAM J. MEERS ... .. 3	HERBERT C. SPENCER ... .. 7
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT 4	ARTHUR GARDNER ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a compliment to Mr. W. J. Meers on the anniversary of his wedding.

CAVERSHAM.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(St. Peter's Society.)

On Monday, Feb. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 13 cwt.	
CANON G. F. COLERIDGE ... Treble		JOSEPH HANDS ... .. 5	
FREDERICK POUNDS ... .. 2		ERNEST MENDAY ... .. 6	
ARTHUR WIGGINS ... .. 3		REV. CYRIL JENKYN ... .. 7	
CHARLES GILES ... .. 4		HENRY SIMMONDS ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by REV. CYRIL JENKYN.

This was Canon Coleridge's 100th peal of Stedman Triples; the arranging of which was a great pleasure to his old and new Caversham friends.

PENDLETON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Feb. 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Thomas,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.		Tenor 18 cwt.	
P.C. DONALD BROWN ... Treble		P.C. JOHN CARTER ... .. 5	
P.C. WILLIAM PYE ... .. 2		P.C. FREDERICK PAGE ... .. 6	
P.C. WALTER BILLINGE ... 3		P.C. JOSEPH WILSON ... .. 7	
P.C. PETER CROOK ... .. 4		P.C. JAMES TURNER ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by P.C. FREDERICK PAGE.

P.C. Crook is a member of the Bolton Borough Police Force, the remainder of the band are members of the Manchester City Police Force. This is the first policemen's peal rung outside London.

PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Feb. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

WILLIAM IRELAND ... Treble	ARTHUR LEEDER ... .. 5
JACK MOWLE ... .. 2	CLEMENT MORE ... .. 6
ALBERT SYMONDS ... .. 3	JOHN SOUTER ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. WISKINS ... 4	TOM FORD ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late J. Cox. Conducted by J. SOUTER.

Snowdon's Coll., page 85. The ringers of the 2nd and 3rd hail from Brome, and this was their first peal in the method.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Feb. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Bell Foundry Tower,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

MIDDLETON'S.		Tenor 6½ cwt.	
*WILLIAM THORLEY ... Treble		JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 5	
†JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 2		JAMES H. HUTCHBY ... .. 6	
*ERNEST LESLIE ... .. 3		WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 7	
PRYCE TAYLOR ... .. 4		EDWARD READER ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by EDWARD READER.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method 'inside.' First peal in the method as conductor. First peal of Cambridge by a Loughborough band.

SWANSCOMBE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

MIDDLETON'S.		Tenor 18 cwt.	
*JOHN AVIS ... .. Treble		*HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... 5	
*CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. 2		*WILLIAM HARPER ... .. 6	
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 3		*FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... 7	
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 4		EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... Tenor	

Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. All the above are Sunday service ringers in the district, 1 and 7 at Milton-next-Gravesend, 2 at Chatham, 3 and tenor at Crayford, 4 and 5 at Dartford, and 6 at Swanscombe.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.	
GEORGE ALLDER ... Treble	JOHN EVANS ... .. 5
FRANK BOREHAM ... .. 2	CECIL C. MAYNE ... .. 6
WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 3	GEORGE MARTIN ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 4	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. FIRSTOW. Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN.

Rung for the induction of the new Vicar, the Rev. John Cuthbert Lucas.

SHIFNAL, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.		Tenor 19½ cwt. in E flat.	
ERNEST BAKER ... Treble		ALFRED FALLON ... .. 5	
JAMES E. LILLEY ... .. 2		CHARLES PICKEN ... .. 6	
REGINALD R. POLE ... 3		CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 7	
*WILLIAM B. KYNASTON ... 4		†RICHARD HUGH FAULKNER Tenor	

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

\* First peal. † First peal of Triples.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.  
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paul,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 17½ cwt.	
GEORGE R. HOLMES ... Treble	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. 5
JAMES E. GOFTON ... .. 2	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... 6
R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 3	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 7
WILLIAM L. GOFTON ... 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by JOSEPH A. GOFTON.

MARSHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANCES;**

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 0 lb.	
GEORGE CLANTON ... Treble	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 5
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 2	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 6
*WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... 3	BEN S. THOMPSON ... .. 7
JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 4	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal in the method on an 'inside' bell.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 6½ cwt.	
ERNEST MORRIS ... Treble	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 5
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 2	*MRS. T. H. HARDY ... .. 6
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 3	*T. HENRY HARDY ... .. 7
THOMAS H. VALLANCE ... 4	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

\* First peal in the method.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,  
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 6½ cwt.	
JOHN SADDINGTON ... Treble	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 5
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 2	F. HORACE STUBBS ... .. 6
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 3	THOMAS H. VALLANCE ... 7
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 4	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by JOHN OLDHAM.

Quickest peal on the bells.



**OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**

*On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*MATT. KEARNEY ... .. Treble	TOM STANCLIFFE ... .. 5
LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... 2	†ROSHTON GRIMSHAW... .. 6
MISS ELLEN SHAW ... .. 3	JACK WATSON ... .. 7
JACK BARNES ... .. 4	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal. Arranged specially for Mr. Kearney, who was baptized in this church in Feb., 53 years ago.

**STAVELEY, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)**

*On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19 cwt.

JOHN R. BROOKS ... .. Treble	A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... 5
LEWIS G. PALMER ... .. 2	HARRY DAFFIN ... .. 6
THOMAS RILEY ... .. 3	*ALFRED E. PARSONS... .. 7
FREDERICK E. PARSONS ... 4	LEONARD W. JACQUES ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by A. E. PARSONS.

This composition (the Author's No. 101) is now rung for the first time. \* First peal as conductor.

**NEWCHURCH, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(ROSSENDALE BRANCH.)**

*On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,*

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

*HAROLD W. EMMETT ... Treble	THOMAS WALLWORK ... .. 5
GEORGE BROWN... .. 2	STANLEY PICKUP ... .. 6
*JOHN HILL ... .. 3	WILLIAM ASHWORTH ... .. 7
†THOMAS FOSTER ... .. 4	JAMES H. BANKS ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. HARRISON. Conducted by JAMES H. BANKS.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells, and first peal of Major on the bells since they were re-hung. The ringers of 4th, 5th and tenor come from St. Thomas', Helmshore, and the rest are from St. Saviour's, Bacup.

**ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)**

*On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,*

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

HARRY GREAVES ... .. Treble	GEORGE BURNHAM ... .. 5
BERNARD DITCHER ... .. 2	†T. A. HOWES-SMITH... .. 6
JOHN H. HUMPHRIES... .. 3	CHARLES SEVERN ... .. 7
CECIL BOOTH ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. TURTON ... Tenor

Composed by J. PLATT. Conducted by W. H. TURTON.

\* First peal. † First peal of Major. First peal as conductor.

**WOOLWICH.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,*

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. Treble	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 5
WILLIAM PYE ... .. 2	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 6
WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to W. J. Nevard. The band wish thank Mr. Nevard for his kind hospitality after the peal.

**WEST HARTLEPOOL, DURHAM.  
THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AIDAN,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*SIDNEY BREEZE... .. Treble	FRED P. HOWCROFT ... .. 5
WM. A. BRECKON ... .. 2	JOHN LAWREY ... .. 6
†FREDERICK ROBSON ... .. 3	REV. ALBERT SIMPSON ... 7
THOMAS METCALFE ... .. 4	*WALTER SIMPSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. A. BRECKON.

\* First peal. † First peal on an 'inside' bell. First peal of Grandsire on the bells.

**HERTFORD.**

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE  
HERTFORD COLLEGE YOUTHS.**

*On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY... .. Treble	*JOSEPH LADLEY ... .. 5
*REGINALD DORE ... .. 2	GEORGE H. BARKER ... .. 6
ALFRED B. PECK ... .. 3	*GEORGE GRAY ... .. 7
COL. HERBERT BAKER ... 4	*ALFRED E. AKERS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

\* First peal in the method. The band was hospitably entertained to dinner by Col. Baker at the Salisbury Arms Hotel after the peal.

**STAPLEHURST, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,*

*AT THE PARISH CHURCH,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21½ cwt.

LEWIS NEWMAN... .. Treble	THOMAS E. SONE... .. 5
*PERCY PAGE ... .. 2	CHARLES W. PLAYER ... .. 6
HENRY C. CASTLE ... .. 3	CHARLES H. SONE ... .. 7
LOUIS HEAD ... .. 4	PHILIP HODGKIN ... .. Tenor

Composed by L. HEAD.

Conducted by C. H. SONE.

\* First peal of Major. This one-part composition is now rung for the first time.

**ECCLESFIELD, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)**

*On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,*

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

JESSE MOSS ... .. Treble	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 5
WILLIAM LAMBERT ... .. 2	JOHN THORPE ... .. 6
JOHN BROTHWELL ... .. 3	JOHN FLINT ... .. 7
GEORGE LEWIS ... .. 4	SAM THOMAS... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS (162). Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

First peal of Double Norwich on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Sam Hemingfield, who attained the age of 71 on the 10th, and has been a ringer at Ecclesfield 54 years. He is one of the older generation whose motto is 'good striking.'

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

**TONG, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

In seven methods, viz., London Scholars' Pleasure, City Delight, Arnold's Victory, College Pleasure, Duke of York, Violet and Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

C. SALLAWAY ... .. Treble	GEORGE BOLLAND ... .. 4
S. ODDY... .. 2	E. ODDY ... .. 5
G. LAMBERT... .. 3	RUFUS THORNTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. BOLLAND.

Rung in honour of the conductor's 70th birthday.

BRINDLE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Oxford, two 720's of Plain Bob, and four 720's of Kent Treble. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*TOM CHAMBERS ... .. Treble	FRED CHAMBERS ... .. 4
ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN ... 2	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. 5
TOM STANCLIFFE ... .. 3	*FRED BRADLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

\* First peal in three methods.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

FAKENHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 4th, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. J. A. GODFREY,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES:**

Size 17½ in G sharp.

ARTHUR DYE ... .. 1	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 5
GEORGE COOKE ... .. 2	CHARLES S. TUTHILL ... .. 6
CHARLES WYBROW ... .. 3	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 7-8
ARTHUR W. BALDWIN ... 4	ROBERT W. COOKE ... .. 9-10

Composed by J. REEVE.

Conducted by W. E. BASON.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Monday, Feb. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 18 in G.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 1-2	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3-4	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 7-8

Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

This was G. W. Steere's 100th peal.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Feb. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
IN THE TOWER,

**A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. 1-2	W. R. JOHN POULSON ... .. 5-6
STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... 3-4	LAWRENCE POULSON ... .. 7-8

Composed by B. ANNABLE. Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

Witness: F. MORTLOCK.

First peal in the method by all and for the Suffolk Diocesan Association.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham district was held on Saturday, January 28th, at St. John's, Lewisham High Road. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Treble Bob Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise Major were rung during the afternoon, and at the service a very helpful address was given by the Rev. W. F. Jepson (Vicar).

The members afterwards adjourned to the Whitbourne Institute for tea. About thirty sat down and enjoyed the splendid fare. At its conclusion, the Vicar proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Arch. Bennington, his mother and sisters, for the very able way they had carried it out.

At the business meeting which followed, the Vicar presiding, nineteen new members were elected. At this point the Vicar had to leave, and after saying how pleased he was to meet the members, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded him for the use of the bells, his address, and for presiding, and to the lady at the organ at the service.

Mr. W. J. Jeffries was then voted to the chair.—St. Mary Cray was selected for the next meeting-place, in April.—Mr. Jeffries read his report of the association committee meeting, and a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded him.

A discussion then took place with regard to the war memorial, and a committee of five was elected to try and arrange a concert or something of the kind to help the fund.

A hearty vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the meeting, the members returning to the tower for further ringing.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
PROGRESS OF THE HEREFORD DISTRICT.

Excellent progress has been made by the Hereford District of the Hereford Guild during the past year, and not only has much good work been done in the belfries, but an adverse balance at the beginning of the period has been converted into a balance in hand. The Rev. G. W. Turner presided over the annual meeting held at Hereford. He was supported by Mr. Charles Edwards, (district secretary and Guild Ringing Master for the diocese), the Rev. A. Brooke Bradley, Miss M. Bull, and others.

The Secretary, in presenting the balance sheet, said the receipts amounted to £18 3s. They commenced the year with an adverse balance of £2 12s. 3d., but this had been wiped off, and they now had a balance in hand of £1 13s. 6d.

In Chairman, in complimenting the secretary on the satisfactory state of the balance sheet, said it was necessary that they should have enough money to carry on the central work, which consisted to a great extent of providing such things as certificates, getting reports printed and sent out, and also paying the expenses of the Ringing Master. Unless the Ringing Master did his work there would be no expense; therefore, when the expenses were more they knew his work was increasing. Mr. Edwards had accomplished a tremendous amount of good work on behalf of the Guild, and they all very much appreciated his efforts.

In his report, the Secretary said there was no disguising the fact that the Hereford district was making great headway and becoming more united. Their membership was increasing, and they had got fresh hands joining them, and the ringers were becoming more and more interested in their work. There was still a good deal of work to be accomplished, however, for several towers had to be got into the union. The membership of the district was as follows: Ninety-one ringing members, as against 55 in 1920; 36 probationers against 43, 16 honorary members against 18. Referring to the All Saints' tenor bell which had recently been recast and rehung, as a memorial to fallen ringers, Mr. Edwards said they had got a bell, which not only themselves but the whole of the Diocese could be proud of. The debt was not yet quite paid off; but he hoped it would be before long. He had received a cheque for £3, and recently he had received another for £2 10s., which was a considerable help.

The Rev. A. Brooke Bradley and eight of his ringers were elected hon. members of the Guild, as also were Miss Maude Bull, Miss Woodhouse (Burghill), the Rev. H. M. Fowler, the Rev. S. Scarlet Smith (Hampton Bishop), the Rev. Warren (Bodenham), the Rev. A. G. M. Rushon (All Saints), Mr. S. Searle and Mr. H. R. Rogers (All Saints).

Mr. C. Edwards was again re-elected secretary, whilst Mr. W. H. Williams (Hagley) was elected district Ringing Master. The following were elected official district instructors: Mr. Walter Taylor and Mr. Fred Arrowsmith (Lugwardine), Mr. W. Williams (Burghill), Mr. G. Biggs (Eownhope), Mr. H. J. Taylor (Hereford), Mr. H. Young (Allensmore), Mr. G. Couzens (Wellington), and Mr. W. S. Evans (Holmer).

The quarterly meetings for the ensuing year were fixed to be held at Burghill, Kingstone, Withington (or Hampton Bishop) and Hereford. Combined practices will be held at Lugwardine, Pipe-cum-Lyde and Dewchurch.

The Chairman made reference to the dinner which the district ringers had held recently. There seemed to be, he said, a general feeling that the event should be an annual one, to which all the members of the Diocesan Guild should be invited, and the matter would in all probability be brought forward at the annual meeting of the Guild.—On the proposal being first put to the meeting, it was generally agreed that the dinner should be held annually.

Mr. C. Edwards said Mr. J. G. Buchanan, the Ringing Master of the Guild, who had lent a set of handbells to the Cathedral had generously presented them as a permanent gift to All Saints (applause). An inscription had been affixed which read, 'Presented to All Saints' belfry by J. G. Buchanan, Esq., 1921, for the use of the Guild of Belfringers.'

**STARTING A BAND AT PAISLEY.**

Mr. J. E. Sykes, who is one of the keenest 'missionaries' in the Exercise at the moment, is at present in Glasgow. There being no active change ringing band anywhere round, he quickly set about making one. In nine weeks, with the help of Messrs. J. Holman, Tom O'Hara, and A. E. Wreaks, who has been residing for some years in Paisley, has succeeded in turning a 'call change' band into half-pull ringers, and several of the local men have rung their first six-scores: On February 3rd, at St. James' Church, 240 Grandsire Doubles: A. J. Rodgers (first 240) 1. J. Holman 2. J. E. Sykes 3. T. O'Hara 4. A. E. Wreaks 2. J. S. Sykes 3. T. O'Hara 4. J. Holman 6. J. Porteous 1. J. Foulter (first 120) 1. J. Holman 2. J. E. Sykes 3. T. O'Hara 4. A. E. Wreaks 5. J. Porteous (first 120) 6.—On Sunday, Feb. 5th, for evening service, 120 Grandsire Doubles, with 7, 6, 8 covering: A. J. Rodgers 1. A. E. Wreaks 2. J. S. Sykes 3. T. O'Hara 4. J. Holman 5. J. Porteous 6. R. Clark 7. E. N. Wreaks 8.

**SHEFFIELD & DURHAM CATHEDRALS.****BELLS TO BE REHUNG.**

The restoration of the bells at Sheffield Cathedral is to be taken in hand, and Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have been entrusted with the work. The 7th and 10th, which are cracked, are to be recast, the others are to be cleaned of all their corrosion, and the whole peal tuned, and rehung with the latest type ball and roller bearings. The tenor at Sheffield Cathedral is a 41 cwt. bell.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have also secured the contract to rehanging the heavy eight bells at Durham Cathedral on ball and roller bearings. At the same time a considerable amount of work is to be carried out to the beams of the tower by Messrs. Cornish and Gaymer, Ecclesiastical Builders.

These bells are an ancient ring, cast originally in 1693 by Christopher Hodson, a London bell founder. Three have been recast at various dates.

**A NEW RING OF EIGHT.****HOW EAST ILSLEY GOT ITS BELLS.**

Saturday, January 28th, 1922, will long be remembered by the parishioners and visitors to the old-world village of East Ilsley, Berks, when the dedication of the three new bells in the old tower, by the Bishop of Oxford (the Right Rev. Hubert Murray Burge, D.D.), took place. The old five bells have been in the tower since 1625, when the present tower was given by Richard Whitwick, a Rector of the parish. The old treble was cast in 1589 by Joseph Carter, of Reading, and is still a fine bell.

The Bishop, in the course of his address, said that of all the war memorials he had dedicated or unveiled none had ever appealed to him as this. It showed the grit and determination of the parish, as nothing else could have done, for when he had heard of the difficulties that had been surmounted, and had listened to the sweet tones of the bells, he felt that no memorial could be more fitting to the 21 men of the village who had died that we may live.

The third bell, which is the memorial bell, has the initials of the 21 men on it. The second, given by a lady interested in the parish, is inscribed: 'To the glory of God, in thankfulness'; and the treble, raised by subscriptions from the ringers of England, has for inscription, 'Ring we merrily unto God, our strength.'

The local men rang the old five in Bob Doubles for the service, and after the dedication the memorial bell was tolled 21 blows, and the eight bells rung (whilst the Bishop and clergy walked back to the chancel) by the local ringers. Immediately after the Blessing, 252 Stedman Triples was well struck by: W. Hibbert 1, R. T. Hibbert 2, F. Pounds 3, A. D. Cullum 4, J. Hands 5, G. Essex 6, E. W. Menday 7, W. Hibbert 8.

After tea a short touch of London Surprise was rung by R. T. Hibbert, A. D. Cullum, G. Essex, C. Giles, W. H. Pasmore, H. Tucker, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, and E. W. Menday. The bells were kept going until late in the evening, in Grandsire, Stedman, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich, by ringers from London, Abingdon, Bucklebury, Chalgrove, Caversham, Chieveley, Crowthorne, Drayton, Hampstead Norris, Newbury, Oxford, Reading, Swindon, Thatcham and Wokingham.

The bells are a fine-toned peal of eight, and sound much heavier than they are, the tenor being only 8½ cwt. in G. The work of tuning, spicing and hanging has been admirably carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

The history of the job throughout may interest the readers of 'The Ringing World.' It was decided two years ago to put a marble tablet in the church with the names of the fallen (which has been done), and to add a bell to make a peal of six. The money was raised in the parish and the job put in hand. It was then found that nothing could be done with the old frame and floors, so £500 had to be found, and some began to say, 'Let it slide,' but others said 'Go on with the job and make it eight instead of six.' Then the writer having promised to raise £100 began to pester all his friends and acquaintances, and has been able, through the generous response to his appeal, to send £115, and also the 2nd bell, and herewith takes this opportunity of expressing the heartfelt thanks of the committee and himself for giving him the great pleasure and pride of ringing on and listening to a fine little peal of eight in the tower of his native village.

R. T. H.

**MR. GEORGE BOLLAND'S BIRTHDAY.**

In commemoration of the seventieth birthday of Mr. G. Bolland, of Tong, Yorkshire, the following rang 1,344 Double Norwich Court Bob Major, on handbells, at 10, Mitford Road, Armley: Malcolm Moorhouse 1-2 Miss O. L. Lumley 3-4, G. Moorhouse 5-6 J. W. Moorhouse (conductor) 7-8.

Mr. Bolland conducted a peal in celebration of the event, and afterwards entertained numerous friends.

**THE MAXIMUM LENGTH OF 'LONDON.'****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—I have no doubt that Mr. Lindoff does not wish to claim that which is not his, and I can only think that he has not gone carefully enough into the composition of the 14,144 of London Major. His 14,122 consists of 63 true courses all complete, my 14,144 of 64 true courses, 61 of which are complete, and the other three are each of them two leads short. Two of Mr. Lindoff's main blocks are in my peal, but the third is not, and, moreover, my 64 true courses are a limit, and cannot be added to.—Yours, etc.

Surfleet Vicarage.

H. LAW JAMES.

**METHOD EXTENSION.**

We have still have more shunts to deal with when considering the extension of plain methods. Consider Single Court Bob Minor. The 3rd makes 4th's place, and changes with the treble in the middle; she therefore leads a whole pull when the treble is behind, changes with the treble in the middle again, and turns the treble from lead.

Now this shunt can be put on to eight bells in two different ways; the 3rd can make 5th's and lead when the treble is behind and 5th's, and this is Single Court Major, but it is useless, as it causes blows behind.

On ten bells, 3rd will make 6th's (Single Court Royal).

On twelve bells 7th, unless for the same reason as Major.

Secondly, the 3rd can make 6th's, 3rd's when the treble is behind, and 6th's.

On ten bells, 8th's, 5th's and 8th's, and on twelve, 10th's, 7th's and 10th's.

This shunt can only be used once in a method, but it can be combined with the bob shunt or the double cast shunt, and it cannot be doubled.

The remaining shunt is College Single. On six bells, the 6th, 5th and 3rd all make 3rd's place when the treble is above that place, and it moves the treble from between 2-3 in coursing order to between 4-6, without passing through any of the intervening positions, which no other shunt on six bells in a plain method will do.

Now the treble is plain hunting, and the other bells are retarded, so that there is a three pull dodge in front, and the movement is three steps in course order from 2-3 to 4-6, and not two steps backwards; therefore, we must do the same in Major and College Single Major as here given.

Here we have three steps forward, as in Minor, from between 2-3 to between 8-7.

In Royal, make three 7th's places, and in Maximus three 9th's places.

Major will yield another similar shunt, 5 third's places, which will extend to Royal and Maximus by putting the places up. Royal, another 7 third's places, which can be made on 12 bells as 7, 5th's places, Maximus one more, 9 3rd's places, and this finishes plain hunt methods.

H. LAW JAMES.

**DOUBLE NORWICH.****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—Nothing can alter the fact that there are three simple transposition rows in Plain Bob, which, when used as the first lead-end, are unalterable in so far as the pivot bell is concerned, even when extended on the higher numbers to infinity.

These rows are the lead-ends in which the 2nd, 3rd and 4th are pivot bells respectively.

In Minor they are 124365; 153624; 165432.

In Major: 12436587; 15372846 16847253.

In Royal: 1243658709; 153729468; 1684029375.

In Maximus: 12436587091e; 1537294e6t80; 16840213e597.

Nothing can alter the following facts:

(1) That the 4th is the pivot bell of Double Court Minor.

(2) That Double Court Minor is the infant of Double Norwich Court Bob Major.

(3) That Double Norwich Court Bob Major is a correct extension of Double Court Minor and has the same bell, the 4th as pivot bell.

(4) That the extensions of Double Norwich Court Bob Major to Royal and Maximus, published in 'The Ringing World' on July 29th last, are correct extensions, and that both have the same pivot bell as Double Court Minor and Double Norwich Major.

(5) That any correct extension of Minor to the higher numbers will always have the same pivot bell, provided the first lead-end in Minor is any one of the three simple transposition rows given above.

(6) That extensions are far more likely to be correct when the Minor is extended upwards, than they are likely to be if the Royal or Maximus is first discovered and then a Major or Minor Method made to fit.—Yours faithfully,

GEORGE BAKER.

**BATH & WELLS ASSOCIATION.****CHEW DEANERY BRANCH.**

The annual meeting of the Chew Deanery Branch was held at Long Ashton. The bells at All Saints' Church were available, and the towers of Clapton-in-Gordano, Portishead, Chew Magna, Barrow Guerne, Bristol, Mangotsfield (Gloster), Bath, and Long Ashton, were represented.

A special service was held, after which the ringers adjourned to the Church House for tea. The Vicar (the Rev. J. E. Varley) was unavoidably absent, through a cold.

Mr. T. Wyatt (Clapton) took the chair for the business side of the meeting, and expressed, on behalf of the ringers, hopes for the speedy recovery of the Vicar. The election of officers took place.—Mr. Wyatt said he would like to vacate the office of chairman, allowing a younger man to try his hand, but after little discussion he was re-elected, on the proposition of Mr. W. Gillingham, seconded by H. Bridle.

The election of the secretary resulted in the office being again filled by Mr. P. Yeo, and Messrs. Court and Gale were elected as vice-chairmen. Mr. Gillingham resigning in favour of the latter, whose place he had filled while Mr. Gale was on active service.

Mr. Bond, of Chew Magna, and Mr. C. A. Grieves (Portishead) were elected members. (Mr. Grieves lost an arm during the war.)

A friendly argument ensued as to the place for the next meetings. Wrington was decided upon for the quarterly meeting, and Messrs. T. Wyatt, H. Babb, W. Gillingham or G. Yeo spoke in praise of Wrington, Chew Stoke, Easton-in-Gordano, or Chew Magna, and referred to the merits and demerits of the various peals, and of the manner in which the places could be reached. Easton-in-Gordano was finally decided upon as the next meeting-place.

A vote of thanks to the lady helpers was heartily carried, and the ringers returned to the tower, where ringing was continued until the late evening.

**AXBRIDGE DEANERY BRANCH.**

The annual meeting of this branch was held at Weston-super-Mare on January 28th. The bells were open for ringing in the afternoon and evening. Service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the Rector (Prebendary Norton-Thompson), and a very interesting address was given by the Rev. Stoley.

The business meeting was held at Glass's Restaurant after tea, the

president (the Rev. M. I. Holme) being in the chair. Seven new members were elected, and Churchill was selected for the next meeting.

The balance sheet showed a balance in hand of £7 10s., and was adopted.

The Rev. J. H. H. Doorbar, Vicar of Kenstoke, was elected president for the ensuing year; the Rev. R. T. Gardner, Vicar of Brent Knoll, was elected vice-president; Mr. G. Chamberlain was re-elected hon. secretary.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for the bells and arranging the service, to the Rev. Stoley for the address, and to the organist, was proposed by the retiring president, and a vote of thanks to the out-going officers by Mr. Iley.

**LICHESTER DEANERY BRANCH.**

The annual meeting was held at Martock on Saturday, Feb. 11th, members attending from Bridgwater, Ilminster, Langport, Martock, Milverton, Norton-sub-Hamdon and Yeovil. A service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the president of the branch (the Rev. G. W. Saunders, Vicar of Martock), who gave another of a series of addresses on the history of the bells, etc.

The annual business meeting followed tea in the Church House, the president being in the chair. A report of the year's work was read by the secretary (Mr. F. Farrant), who referred to the loss from the district of a promising young ringer, Mr. F. Westlake, of Muchelney, attached to the Langport tower, who had just sailed for British Columbia.

All the officers were re-elected, viz., the Rev. G. W. Saunders, president; Mr. F. Farrant, secretary; Mr. D. G. Taylor, Ringing Master, and the secretary to represent the branch on the general committee.

Seven new members were elected, and Yeovil was chosen for the next meeting, to take place about the middle of May.

The President reported that Mr. Fred Strickland, of Martock, who had broken his leg badly in two places, was now well on the way to recovery.

Mr. D. G. Taylor thanked the Vicar of Martock for his interesting address, the use of the bells, etc. He also thanked the ladies who had provided such an excellent tea.

The President referred to the forthcoming royal wedding, and hoped that as far as possible all bells would be rung on that day.

After the meeting another visit was paid to the belfry, and some nice touches of Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples were brought round.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1670**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The bells of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, as was announced at the meeting of the Cumberland Youths, are to be thoroughly overhauled. The bells themselves which are nearing their bicentenary are not to be touched, but they are to have an entirely new frame and fittings. The money for the work is already in hand.

We understand that the work necessary to put Southwark Cathedral bells in order is being carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, a generous friend having undertaken to defray the cost. The College Youths' practice meetings at that tower will be resumed on February 28th.

The restoration of the heavy peal of ten at All Saints', Maidstone (tenor 32 cwt.), is nearing completion by the Whitechapel Foundry, who also have in hand the rehangings of the bells at Beaconsfield, Bucks. and Elland, Yorks.

The band of policemen who ring the bells at Manchester Town Hall have just received a reinforcement, in the person of Mr. William Pye. He will be able to compare notes to mutual advantage with Mr. John Carter, who is also a very useful member of the company.

P.C. William Pye referred to hails, not from Essex, but from Newchurch, Warrington, where he recently rang his first peal; and P.O. John Carter is not, as some might suppose, the 'Genius of the Ringing Machine,' who probably has not contemplated the addition of police duty to his many activities.

On February 6th, seven of the Manchester constabulary, with P.O. Crook, of Bolton, rang a peal of Grandsire Triples, the second all-police peal that has been rung. The first was a peal of Grandsire Triples, by members of the Metropolitan Force, conducted by Cornelius Charge, about 14 years ago.

The opportunities for peal ringing in the police force are limited owing to the men's uncertain duties. The band at Manchester made several attempts for the peal, but did not have the best of luck; while twice they met short, and on four occasions failed owing to ropes breaking.

To-day is the anniversary of one of the disasters in the annals of ringing. On Wednesday, Feb. 17th, 1836, Christ Church, Spitalfields, was destroyed by fire, and with it the peal of twelve bells.

One hundred years ago to-morrow, the first peal of what we know as New Cambridge Surprise Major was rung at Huddersfield. There ought to be at least one centenary peal rung.

In connection with the restoration of Sheffield Cathedral bells, which is reported in another column, it is interesting to recall that on February 19th, 1833, a peal of 6.120 Treble Bob Royal was rung on these bells. This peal was the first by George Wilson who, born in 1809, rang his last peal on the same bells on December 26th, 1876.

The first peal of Double Norwich Major on handbells was rung by the Cambridge University Guild on February 23rd, 1891; and the first peal of Bristol Surprise Major was rung at St. Peter's, Brighton, on February 22nd, 1901.

On February 19, 1819, Henry Haley was born, and on February 18th, 1914, Nathan Pitstow died.

Mr. William Short's peal of Stedman Doubles was not the first that was rung. Mr. A. Harman, of Leatherhead, informs us that a peal of Stedman Doubles was rung at Burstow, Surrey, on November 19th, 1910, by the Sussex County Association.

## THE BRISTOL DINNER.

The first dinner of the Bristol United Guilds to-morrow at the Grand Hotel promises to be a great success. Among visitors will be Mr. C. H. Horton (London), Mr. J. George (Birmingham), Mr. J. W. Jones (Newport), Mr. G. H. Phillott (Cheltenham), Mr. J. Hunt and Mr. R. E. Burgess (Taunton), Mr. H. Chapman and Mr. A. Trippier (Manchester), etc. Many of the Bristol towers will be open for ringing during the afternoon.

## ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

### ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL BAND.

The annual supper of the St. Paul's Cathedral band was revived this year on Wednesday, January 24th (St. Paul's Day). The gathering took place at headquarters, the Coffee Pot, Warwick Lane, the company including the Cathedral band, and several other members of the society. A most excellent meal was provided, and was followed by handbell ringing and a good musical programme.

These gatherings have always been most enjoyable, and it is hoped that they will now be uninterruptedly continued, after a lapse of seven years.

The chair was taken by the father of the society, Mr. Edwin Horrex, who is still as game as ever, and contributed to the musical part of the proceedings.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## THE ANNUAL MEETING.

There was a large attendance at the annual meeting of the London County Association on Saturday last, when the towers of St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, and St. Clement Danes, were open for ringing, and touches in the standard methods were brought round.

At St. Clement Danes, the Association's form of service was used, conducted by the Rev. W. Pennington Bickford, M.A. Several members assisted in the choir, and the lessons were read by Messrs. R. A. Daniell and E. A. Young. The address, which was an extremely appropriate discourse, was given by the Rev. E. C. Bedford, M.A., Rector of St. Andrew, Holborn.

The tea was kindly provided by the Rev. W. and Mrs. Pennington Bickford, in the Parish House, Clare Market, the tables being tastefully decorated. A company, numbering 76, sat down, the party including the Rev. J. A. Mayor, Rector of St. Mary's Magdalen, Whitechapel.

At the business meeting, 81 members were present, amongst whom were Mr. W. S. Cotter, churchwarden, St. Clement Danes, and Messrs. J. Carter, E. B. Dawe, J. Waghorn, senr., and E. Wightman. Members were present from the following towers: St. Clement Danes, Bishopsgate, Stoke Poges, Willesden, Putney, Hackney, S. Hackney, Highgate, Gospel Oak, West Ham, Rotherhithe, Whitechapel, Ealing, Hammersmith, Wells Street, Oxford Street, Barnet, Chelsea, Croydon, Walton-on-Thames, Battersea, St. George, Southwark; Camberwell, Streatham, Islington, Hampstead, Fulham, Holborn and Kensington.

The secretary's report was as follows: 'After a year of heavy expenditure, owing to new rule books being printed, we finished the year with an increase of £1 6s. 7½d., our total assets now being £31 8s. 6½d. We think that we may congratulate ourselves on a successful year. We regret to state that we have lost, by death, Messrs. Acland J. Perkins, William Doran, Walter S. Wise, Harry Flanders and Frederick G. Perrin. During the year we have set up new records, 46 members having been elected, and 35 peals rung. Of these peals, 29 were on tower bells and six on handbells, as follows: Surprise Minor 1, Oxford Bob Triples 1, Grandshire Triples 3, Stedman Triples 8, Caters 3, Cinques 3, Plain Bob Major 1, Kent Treble Bob Major 2, Royal 3, Maximus 1, Cambridge Surprise Major 3. On handbells: Stedman Triples 1, Caters 3, Cinques 2. The number of members taking part was 91, which averages just over three peals each. There were 62 'firsts', as follows: First peal 11, first away from tenor 2, first Major 3, first Surprise 5, first Caters 4, first Royal 5, first Stedman Cinques 1, first on twelve 5, first Maximus 3, first in various methods 14, first on handbells 3, first on twelve handbells 6. The conducting was shared by Messrs. T. H. Taffender 10 tower and 6 handbells, H. Mance 5, A. D. Barker 5, F. Shevington 3, I. J. Attwater 2, R. F. Deal 1, W. E. Judd 1, W. Miller 1, T. Newman 1, A. Turner 1, C. F. Winney 1. The Sunday ringing, under the direction of the general Master, has been well supported, but there is still room for improvement. Both districts have held very successful meetings, the Northern district making a marvellous recovery, due to the untiring efforts of its officers. In conclusion, the officers still live in hope that the turbulent spirits will one day live peaceably.'

The new district officers were ratified, and the following general officers were elected: Master, Mr. T. H. Taffender; treasurer, Mr. W. G. Matthews; secretary, Mr. A. D. Barker; assistant secretary, Miss G. E. Bateman; trustees, Messrs. R. A. Daniell and E. A. Young; senior steward, Mr. C. V. Ebberson; junior steward, Mr. T. W. Taffender.

The Master's re-election was welcomed with musical honours. The position of junior steward was the only office to be contested, there being four candidates.

Votes of thanks to the various friends, who had done their best to make the occasion a success, and touches on handbells brought an excellent meeting to a close.

## LEEDS &amp; DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The usual monthly meeting took place at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, when members were present from Armley, Leeds Parish Church, St. Michael's, Headingley, and the local company. In the absence of the president, Mr. Fred Hutchinson, was voted to the chair, and the usual routine business was soon disposed of. The tower bells were kept going until 9 p.m., in the Double Norwich and Stedman Methods.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

— GREAT REDUCTIONS. —

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## SUGGESTED JASPER SNOWDON MEMORIAL DINNER.

On Saturday, January 28th, the Yorkshire Association held their annual meeting at Pickering, by the kind invitation of the Vicar and wardens. The fine peal of eight in the Parish Church (which is dedicated to SS. Peter and Paul) were at liberty from 11 a.m., and from soon after that hour the bells were rung in a variety of methods, for the remainder of the day, with the exception of a brief interval for Divine service, which was held at 4 p.m. Some forty visitors attended evensong, when an interesting and elevating address was delivered by the Rev. E. Drage (Vicar) who urged his hearers, in striving to make the best of circumstances in this world, to try to realise that as ringers they were called to a high office in the church, and to exalt the office by their own conduct in their lives, so that they would be worthy examples to their brethren who had not such opportunities to serve in the offices of the church.

The visitor to this church cannot fail to be struck by the many historical points in the building. A Saxon church stood on the same site, but of this building little remains except the font which is possibly of Saxon origin. The present nave consists of Norman arches, the aisles and transepts, and the lower part of the tower dating from the same period. During the 13th and 14th centuries the existing chancel, with a chantry chapel—of which no trace now remains—was built. The transepts were altered and the spire added. In the year 1851, during some repairs, paintings were discovered on the walls, these having been covered by successive coats of yellow wash. On the covering being removed the whole of the walls of the nave were found to be filled with paintings of Biblical and allegorical subjects, dating from about A.D. 1450. These were carefully restored, and now form a striking feature in this delightful old church.

A bountiful tea was served in the Schoolroom, after which the business meeting was held. The president (the Rev. C. C. Marshall) occupied the chair, and was supported by several of the principal officers of the Association. Letters of apology from several members were received, and the stormy weather of the previous week acted as a deterrent to many other intending visitors.

The annual report of the committee was passed, on the motion of Mr. H. N. Ineson, seconded by Mr. N. Addison.

A lengthy discussion took place concerning the proposed reorganisation of the Northern Division, and it was eventually decided to refer the question of reorganising to the Northern Division Committee for their consideration, and the general committee to finally deal with the recommendations of the Northern District Committee.

Mr. H. N. Ineson moved, and Mr. H. Morley seconded, that the general secretary make arrangements if possible to hold the Easter Monday meeting at Pontefract, and, failing Pontefract, to arrange for the meeting to be held at Kirkburton.

The President and Mr. J. Cotterell moved and seconded, respectively, a vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens of Pickering for their kind hospitality, to which the Rev. E. Drage (the Vicar of Pickering) responded, and assured the visitors he had much greater pleasure in receiving them at Pickering than the visitors had in coming, and hoped that the Association would visit them again in the near future.

The balance sheet was adopted, on the motion of Mr. W. A. Mason, seconded by Mr. W. A. Hall.

The President announced that a suggestion had been made to the General Committee that a memorial dinner should be held to the memory of one who was probably the greatest genius that the science of change ringing had yet seen, and the Yorkshire Association should, in the speaker's opinion, be the first to move in any function to do honour to so great and so familiar a name to all change ringers. He referred to the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon, who was the first President of the Association, and the unsparring labours of his brother, the late William Snowdon, who was President of the Association for 25 years. Yorkshiremen are usually rather reserved in expressing their feelings, but it was hoped that the proposed dinner would give an opportunity to ringers from all parts of the county to do honour to their great first president and his brother. It was decided to leave to the general committee the details of making arrangements, if possible, for such a dinner, the meeting expressing its warm approval of the suggestion.

Application was made by Ossett and Pontefract towers to be transferred to the Western Division, but it was eventually decided to discuss this question in committee before any decision was arrived at.

Ringling in various methods on the bells of the Parish Church proceeded merrily until train time called a halt, the visitors carrying away pleasant memories of the hearty and kindly manner in which they had been received on all sides, while the picturesque scenery and historical connections of this old-world town gave an added attraction to the visitors to pay a further visit to Pickering.

**HORSMONDEN, KENT.**—On January 27th, 720 Horsmonden Bob Minor: A. Feilder 1, G. Waghorn (first 'inside') 2, R. T. Lambert 3, R. E. Lambert 4, A. Relfe (conductor) 5, F. J. Lambert 6.

# GILLET & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.



**NORTHAMPTON PEAL CLAIM CHALLENGED.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—With your permission, I should like to ask Mr. W. Rogers, the conductor of the peal, rung at St. Giles' Northampton, on Saturday, February 4th, to withdraw the footnote to the peal in question, which states that it was the first peal of Stedman Caters by a local band in the county of Northampton. A peal, rung by a local band, should mean that all the ringers who take part in it, are responsible members of the belfry in which the peal is rung. As the band in the peal referred to was a mixed one, drawn from four towers in Northampton, and one ringer from Weston Favel, I certainly cannot allow the footnote to be placed in the records of the Association, as the first peal of Stedman Caters by a local band in the county has still to be rung.—Yours truly, **DAVID J. NICHOLS** Gen. Sec., Northants Association.

**THE LATE MR. W. W. GIFFORD.****PROPOSED MEMORIAL.**

A suggestion having been made that a memorial should be erected by the ringers of England to the memory of the late Mr. W. W. Gifford, subscriptions will be gladly received for that purpose.

It is hoped that this appeal will be responded to by the Guilds and Societies of Ringers throughout the country.

Mr. J. R. Jerram is the hon. treasurer, and subscriptions, which will be acknowledged through 'The Ringing World,' should be sent to Mr. L. Harris, Britford, Salisbury, or Mr. F. W. Romain, 41, Green Croft Street, Salisbury, St. Martin's company of ringers, Salisbury, joint hon. secs.

The following subscriptions have been received: Canon Coleridge, 10s.; Messrs. Taylor and Co., bell founders, £1 1s.; St. Martin's company (Salisbury), first donation, £1 15s.; L. Harris, 10s.; total, £3 16s.

**LONDON'S OLD TOWERS.**

Southwark Cathedral, says 'The Daily Chronicle,' boasts the oldest unaltered church tower in London. It was built in 1520, and apart from necessary repairs has not been touched. But there are at least two altered church towers in London which are older. One is to be found at St. Andrew's, Holborn, which survived the fire and was much restored in 1704, and another is the tower of St. Clement Danes. 'The bells of St. Clements' hang in one of the most interesting towers in the Metropolis. The foundations are Norman, the plain part of the tower seen from the street is Early English Gothic of the 13th century, and the ornate steeple was added by Gibbs, the architect of St. Martin-in-the-Fields. During the Middle Ages the Gothic portion of the tower had buttresses at the angles. These were considered to be out of keeping with the classic church rebuilt in Wren's days, so masons were set to work to turn the buttresses into the obelisks which are to be seen to-day at the corners of the erection.

**A NEW 10-BELL SURPRISE METHOD.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I owe an apology to Mr. Lindoff. I ought to have guessed that the account of Dublin Surprise never came from his pen; and had I done so I should never have written my letter. Incidentally I might mention that by its nature Dublin Surprise is a double method, and need not be spliced on to Bristol in the manner in which it was rung. I came across a whole nest of these double methods in 1891, when first I discovered Bristol. It might interest your readers to note how I came to discover them.

In looking at the figures of a Treble Bob method it struck me that the back four bells might be made to hunt round and return to their original positions, while the treble was executing her two dodges in 1—2 and 3—4. First I made them hunt in a straightforward manner, but I did not like the consecutive places in 4—5, as the treble was coming from 2nd's to 3rd's; then I made them hunt round backwards, and thence came the method now known as Peterborough. By combining these two I obtained many more methods, of which Bristol Surprise was the best.

In those days there was little encouragement for those who wished to produce new methods, so several years elapsed before Bristol was published, and then there was another long wait before it was rung. I wonder if the same apathy exists now. I am inclined to think not. There is a go-ahead element in the Exercise at the present time which promises better things. Let us put it to the test. I send you here the figures of the finest ten-bell Surprise method that I have yet found. The music is as near perfection as you can get. The tenors are only parted for 88 rows in the plain course, as compared with 160 in Cambridge Royal. The proof scale is clean, thus allowing twelve courses with the 6th at home. Will it have to wait as long as Bristol before a peal is booked? We shall see.

With regard to the old Grandsire Triple composition, it certainly is

old. I composed it in 1894, and it is to be found in the Central Council's collection, and in the new edition of Snowden's Grandsire. The peal consists in two long five-part blocks, each called alike, and ten B blocks left over. When these B blocks are put out of course the observation bell is found to be called 'before,' 'wrong,' and 'middle.'

The bob 'Before' is a shunting Bob, just like the bob where the second is called 'before' in Reeves's Variation of Holt's ten-part. If a single is called instead of either of the other two bobs the B block will join on to either one or the other of the two long parts.

In the peal as given in Grandsire, I have singled in the B block at one place, and used the single at the other lead to link on the other half.

In the variation to which Mr. Lindoff thinks that he has a claim, the B block is singled in at the other place, and the shunting bob with the observation bell is omitted.

There are hundreds of variations of this peal to be had. Surely Mr. Lindoff does not expect me to publish them all before I can lay claim to them.—Yours sincerely, **E. BANKES JAMES.**

**DUBLIN AS A DOUBLE METHOD.**

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
2 1 4 3 6 5 8 7  
1 2 3 4 6 5 7 8  
2 1 4 3 5 6 8 7  
2 4 1 3 6 5 7 8  
4 2 3 1 6 5 8 7  
2 4 1 3 5 6 7 8  
4 2 3 1 5 7 6 8  
2 4 3 5 1 7 8 6  
2 3 4 5 7 1 6 8  
3 2 5 4 1 7 8 6  
2 3 5 4 7 1 6 8  
3 2 4 5 7 6 1 8  
2 3 5 4 6 7 8 1  
3 2 5 4 7 6 1 8  
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 1  
2 4 3 6 5 8 7 1  
4 2 6 3 8 5 1 7  
2 4 6 3 5 8 7 1  
4 2 3 6 8 5 1 7  
2 4 6 3 8 1 5 7  
4 2 6 3 1 8 7 5  
2 4 3 6 8 1 5 7  
2 3 4 6 1 8 7 5  
3 2 4 1 6 8 5 7  
2 3 1 4 6 5 8 7  
3 2 4 1 5 6 7 8  
2 3 1 4 5 6 8 7  
2 1 3 4 6 5 7 8  
1 2 4 3 5 6 8 7  
2 1 3 4 5 6 7 8  
1 2 4 3 6 5 8 7  
1 4 2 6 3 8 5 7

**WAIT AND SEE!**

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0  
2 1 4 3 6 5 8 7 0 9  
1 2 3 4 6 8 5 0 7 9  
2 1 4 3 8 6 0 5 9 7  
2 4 1 3 6 8 5 0 7 9  
4 2 3 1 8 6 0 5 9 7  
2 4 1 3 8 0 6 9 5 7  
4 2 3 1 0 8 9 6 7 5  
2 4 3 0 1 8 6 9 5 7  
2 3 4 0 8 1 9 6 7 5  
3 2 0 4 1 8 6 3 5 7  
2 3 4 0 8 1 6 5 9 7  
3 2 0 4 8 6 1 5 7 9  
2 3 4 0 8 8 5 1 9 7  
2 4 3 6 0 8 1 5 7 9  
4 2 6 3 8 0 5 1 9 7  
2 4 3 6 0 8 5 9 1 7  
4 2 6 3 8 0 9 5 7 1  
4 6 2 8 3 0 5 9 1 7  
6 4 8 2 0 3 9 5 7 1  
6 8 4 0 2 9 3 7 5 1  
8 6 0 4 9 2 7 3 1 5  
8 0 6 9 4 2 3 7 5 1  
0 8 9 6 2 4 7 3 1 5  
8 0 6 9 4 2 7 1 3 5  
0 8 9 6 2 4 1 7 5 3  
0 9 8 2 6 4 7 1 3 5  
9 0 2 8 4 6 1 7 5 3  
0 9 8 2 4 1 6 7 3 5  
0 9 2 8 1 4 6 3 7 5  
0 9 8 2 4 1 3 6 6 7  
8 0 9 2 1 4 6 3 7 5  
8 0 9 1 2 4 3 6 5 7  
0 8 1 9 4 2 6 3 7 5  
8 0 9 1 4 6 2 7 3 5  
0 8 1 9 6 4 7 2 6 3  
0 1 8 9 4 6 2 7 3 5  
1 0 9 8 6 4 7 2 5 3  
0 1 8 9 6 7 4 5 2 3  
1 0 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2  
1 9 0 7 8 5 6 3 4 2

**RINGER AND RAILWAY OFFICIAL'S RETIREMENT.**

Mr. William Crane, senr., the oldest of the Bangor band of ringers, has recently retired from the service of the L. and N.W. Railway Company, after 48 years. Mr. Crane went to Bangor, North Wales, in 1880, from Wolveston, and was carriage department foreman for 42 years. Mr. A. R. Trevethick, the carriage department superintendent, has expressed the thanks of the company, and their regret in parting with an efficient servant.

Through failing health, Mr. Crane has of late been compelled to give up his ringing. He was, up to the time of his retirement, always in his place in the belfry, a regular attendant since the bells were first rung, which is somewhere about 40 years ago, and a keen ringer. The band hope that the remaining years of his life may be spent happily, that his health will improve, and that, before long, he may be back in the belfry again.

TENTERDEN, KENT.—On Monday, Jan. 23rd, at St. Mildred's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Grove's Variation of Parker's 12-part: F. Edwards 1, H. Baer (first on an inside bell) 2, C. Tribe 3, W. E. Pitman 4, L. Hones 5, R. E. Burgess 6, H. Parkes (conductor) 7, W. Bishop 8.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Feb. 12th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr., 1, J. E. Churchill (first quarter-peal inside) 2, J. H. Hunnisett 3, A. M. Stacey 4, F. W. Goodfellow 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, L. H. Page (conductor) 7, F. S. Palmer, senr., 8. First quarter-peal by an entirely local band, the majority having learnt to ring only a short time ago.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, February 12th, for evening service, at St. Andrew's, Wells Street, Marylebone W., 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: E. C. Russell (first quarter-peal of Major) 1, T. W. Taffender, junr. (first quarter-peal of Treble Bob) 2, H. Dyas 3, J. Carter 4, E. J. King 5, J. R. Gammon 6, R. G. Chappell 7, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 8.

**MALINS LEE, SALOP.**—As a birthday compliment to the Vicar's wife, Mrs. Parry, on Sunday, Feb. 12th, 720 Bob Minor: G. Harley 1, E. Woodvine 2, E. Attwood 3, F. P. Mole 4, H. Garbett 5, A. Woodvise 6.

**STAPLEHURST, KENT.**—For morning service, on Sunday, Feb. 12th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: \*A. Farrant 1, \*H. Head 2, \*J. Smith 3, C. H. Sone 4, L. Head 5, J. Head (first quarter as conductor) 6, T. C. Sone 7, L. Newman 8. \* First quarter-peal.

**LINTON, KENT.**—For evening service, on Sunday, Feb. 12th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original: A. Tarrant 1, H. Head 2, C. H. Sone 3, F. Pope 4, L. Newman 5, J. Head 6, L. Head 7, C. Smith 8.

**GOSPEL OAK.**—At St. Martin's Church, on Sunday, Feb. 12th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: T. Bevan 1, Miss Kitty Smith 2, H. G. Springate 3, E. Young 4, C. Matthews 5, E. Bonfield (conductor) 6; and 240 and 360 Bob Minor, conducted respectively by E. Young and E. Bonfield.

**LONDON.**—At All Hallows', Barking (City), on Sunday evening, Feb. 12th, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: W. Tanner 1, Miss S. Davis 2, A. Scrambler 3, T. Langdon 4, W. A. Alps (composer and conductor) 5, H. Hills 6, W. Hibbert 7, T. Joyce 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. T. Joyce.

**FRIITENDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, Feb. 12th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (composed by James George), in 45 mins.: H. Baker (Frittenden) 1, C. Tribe (Tenterden) 2, E. Parsons (Tenterden) 3, L. Mannering (Maidstone) 4, W. H. Lambert (Benenden) 5, G. Billenness (Hawkhurst), conductor 6, H. Parkes (Mersham) 7, T. Bates (Frittenden), first quarter-peal 8.

**ROLVENDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, Feb. 12th, after children's service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (taken from Groves' Variation), in 45 mins.: H. Want (first quarter-peal away from tenor), Tenterden, 1, H. Baker (Frittenden) 2, F. G. Burden (Rolvenden) 3, C. Tribe (Tenterden) 4, G. Billenness (Hawkhurst) 5, E. Burgess (Tenterden) 6, H. Parkes (Mersham), conductor, 7, A. Blackman (Rolvenden) 8.

**TENTERDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, February 12th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: C. Tribe (Tenterden) 1, H. Baker (Frittenden) 2, E. Parsons (Tenterden) 3, G. Sims (Tenterden) 4, W. H. Lambert (Benenden) 5, H. Parkes (Mersham) 6, G. Billenness (Hawkhurst), conductor, 7, J. Neve (Tenterden), first quarter-peal, 8.

**HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.**—On Sunday afternoon, Feb. 12th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes), in 49 mins.: H. Butler 1, Miss E. Hopkins 2, F. Watkinson (conductor) 3, W. Godden 4, H. Wilson 5, F. Cardwell 6, W. Taylor 7, J. Garth 8. Rung for musical service; also a compliment to the ringer of the fourth on his 17th birthday. First quarter-peal by all the band except the conductor.

**APPLETON, BERKS.**—Oxford Diocesan Guild.—On Sunday, Feb. 12th, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes), in 40 mins. F. White 1, G. Holfield, senr., 2, H. Holfield 3, J. W. Wilkins (composer and conductor) 4, C. G. White 5, H. White 6, P. S. Macey 7, G. Holfield, junr., 8, R. White 9, F. White 10.

**EAST PECKHAM, KENT.**—At St. Michael's Church, on Sunday, Feb. 12th, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor, in 28 mins.: W. Simmonds 1, C. Saunders 2, G. Saunders 3, G. Bell 4, H. Bishop 5, T. Saunders (conductor) 6. This was the first 720 Minor by a local band for over 30 years.

**BAILEY, HERTS.**—On Sunday, Feb. 12th, for morning service, 720 Stedman Doubles and 120 St. Simon's, in 30 mins., by: W. Mansfield 1, W. Tack 2, W. Scrivens 3, R. Howard (conductor) 4, A. Howard 5.

**BRISTOL (The SS. Philip and Jacob Guild).**—On Sunday, Feb. 12th, at the Church of SS. Philip and Jacob, on the occasion of the dedication of the war memorial, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,360 changes), composed by J. A. Trollope, was rung by \*Mrs. E. J. Brown 1, E. J. Brown (conductor) 2, Miss A. Brown 3, E. F. Porch 4, P. C. Williams 5, F. E. Tyler 6, F. W. Wade 7, I. Long 8. \* Longest length in the method.

**OLDSWINFORD, WORCESTERSHIRE.**—On Sunday, Feb. 12th, for evening service, 1,106 Grandsire Triples: S. Yeadon 1, R. Matthews (conductor) 2, J. G. Orford 3, W. J. Bretherton 4, P. Pope 5, J. Newnam 6, T. Heathcock 7, T. Whitehouse 8. Rung as a welcome to the new Rector (the Rev. H. H. Williams), who was inducted to the living on the previous Thursday.

**SOLIHULL.**—On Sunday, Feb. 12th, in 41 mins. 1,120 Kent Treble Bob Major (tenor 19 cwt.): G. A. Martineau 1, C. Bragg 2, E. C. Shepherd (conductor) 3, H. Bragg 4, H. Shepherd 5, S. Bragg 6, H. Bragg 7, J. Bragg 8. First 'quarter' of Kent by all; first attempt, and first by a local hand.

**OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Sunday, Feb. 12th, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: R. Edwards 1, R. Martin 2, J. Hughes 3, W. B. Kynaston 4, H. Jarman 5, G. Williams 6, R. Evans (conductor) 7, G. Beaton 8.

**WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, Feb. 12th, for morning service, 720 of Cambridge Surprise Minor: Ernest Bailey 1, Albert J. L. Naunton 2, Edgar Bailey 3, Frederick Wade 4, George Lee 5, Francis W. Naunton (conductor) 6.

**WRANGLE.**—The Lincoln Diocesan Guild.—On Sunday, Feb. 12th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: A. Rose 1, P. Lakin 2, S. Woods 3, J. W. Lakin, senr., 4, F. Hilton 5, G. W. Houghton (conductor) 6.

**LINCOLN.**—On Sunday Feb. 12th, at the Church of St. Peter-at-Arch, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: A. R. Chester 1, R. Chester 2, H. L. Pask (conductor) 3, C. McGuiness (first quarter in the method inside) 4, C. B. Chester 5, G. Almonds 6, H. Marcon 7, C. Beal (first quarter-peal) 8.

**GAINSBOROUGH.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, Feb. 5th, for evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples: C. H. Baker 1, F. S. W. Butler (conductor) 2, H. Torr 3, H. Morgan 4, Miss I. E. Horner (Pickering, Yorks) 5, J. Dixon 6, J. T. Ladd 7, E. Dalingwater 8.

**RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT.**—At All Saints' Parish Church, on Sunday, February 5th, touches of 462, 377 and 518 Grandsire Triples were rung at the 9.30, 11 and 6.30 services, respectively, with bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Bishop in the Isle of Wight, the Rt. Rev. James Macarthur, who died at his residence, 'Luccombe Hill,' Shanklin, I.W., on the preceding Thursday morning. The ringers taking part were: A. Jackson, C. J. Stainer, P. S. Parker, G. H. Coombes, P. Long, J. T. Tansom, B. J. Snow, E. Hatcher, A. R. Ward (conductor), and W. Kemp.

**CHATTERIS, CAMBS.**—On Sunday, Feb. 5th, for evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: P. A. Smith 1, A. C. Barker 2, J. Rowlinson 3, A. Mattock (conductor) 4, J. Granger 5, A. Abrams 6.

**LEWES, SUSSEX.**—At Southover Church, on Sunday, Feb. 5th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: D. White 1, A. J. Turner 2, W. Boyes 3, W. Pelling 4, A. J. Errey 5, R. Hide 6, R. J. Dawe (conductor) 7, W. Ward 8.

## USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

600 STEDMAN TRIPLES.		1,280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR.	
	2314567		23456 B W H
S	7125438 6		23564 — —
S	1532746 2		62534 — —
S	5243176 2		23645 — —
S	6451327 6		42635 — —
S	4125637 2		42356 — —
S	1532467 2		34256 — —
Four times repeated.			23456 — —
A. J. FITMAN.			H. W. WILDE.

## NORTHAMPTON ASSOCIATION'S SUBSCRIPTIONS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The annual meeting of the management committee of the Central Northants Association was held on Saturday last at Wellingborough, when the suggestion of the Northampton district that the Association should revert to the pre-war annual subscription of a shilling was discussed. It was agreed that the question be postponed, as the committee did not think the feeling in the Northampton district represented the wishes of the members of the association in general, seeing that the subscriptions in every other district had practically all been paid, and I was enabled to place before the committee the accounts for 1921, which showed a profit on the year's working of £12 19s. 2d.

I quite agree with your remarks, that if the associations can weather the present depression, they will probably find the majority of ringers ready to continue the higher rate of subscriptions.

In conclusion, may I ask my Northampton friends to rally round their district committee, and come into line with the rest of the districts, and help to place the association in a sound financial position?—Yours truly,

DAVID J. NICHOLS,  
General Secretary.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).—The 34th Annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at The Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham (in the beautiful Connaught Room), on Saturday, Feb. 25th, at 6 o'clock, when the chair will be taken by Canon E. Grose Hodge, M.A., Rector of Birmingham. To fully qualified members tickets will be issued on payment of 3/- to meet the increased cost of the dinner; to other members and friends, 7/6 each. It is necessary for every full member to be clear on the books not later than Saturday, Feb. 18th. The bells of St. Martin (12) and the Cathedral (10) will be available from 3 to 5.15.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

BRISTOL UNITED GUILDS.—First Annual Dinner.—Grand Hotel, Broad Street Bristol, Feb. 18th, at 6.30 p.m. Social afterwards. Bells available: Temple (8), 2.30 p.m.; St. Stephen's (10), St. James' (10), St. Philip (8), St. Michael's (6), 3 p.m.; St. Nicholas (10), 3.30. Assemble Grand Hotel 6.30.—E. Guise, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Selby on Saturday, Feb. 18th. Bells of the Abbey (10) available from 1 p.m. to 9. Service at 4. Tea at 5 in Rimington's Cafe, Gowthorpe, at 1/9 each. Business meeting afterwards.—A. B. Cook, Hon. District Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Baldock, on Saturday, February 18th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service in Church at 5 o'clock. Tea at the White Lion at 5.30, followed by business meeting. Ringing will be resumed after the meeting.—F. R. Bacon, District Secretary, 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at the Parish Church, Burnley, on Saturday, February 18th. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Business: To discuss place and date of the annual branch meeting.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—A monthly ringing meeting for practice will be held at Cradley, on Saturday, February 18th. Bell available at 4 o'clock. Members who are desirous of ringing any particular method which they do not get an opportunity of ringing at their own tower, should attend these monthly meetings.—A. Davies, 29 Hampton St., Netherton.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY will hold a meeting on Saturday, February 18th, at the Parish Church, Ashton, for 10 and 12 bell practice only. Bells available from 4 to 6 o'clock.—C. Bower, Hon. Sec.

LADIES GUILD.—Northamptonshire District.—A meeting will be held at Desborough on Feb. 18th. Bells (6) ready at 2.30. Service 4 o'clock. Tea 4.30. Gentlemen most welcome.—Cecil E. Hepburn, Hon. Sec., The Pines, Isham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Glodwick, on Saturday, February 18th. Unveiling of Peal Tablet at 6 o'clock. Meeting to follow. Bells ready at 3. All ringers welcome.—T. K. Driver, Middleton.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meetings for practice this month as follows:—Saturday, 18th, St. Saviour's, Wathamstow, ringing 5.30 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Thursday, 23rd, All Hallow's, Lombard St., E.C., ringing from 7.30 p.m. sharp. Welcome to all in both cases.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.—It is proposed to celebrate the jubilee of the Society, on Monday, February 20th. Any past members who wish to take part should write for further particulars to R. E. Havard, Hon. Sec., O.U.S.C.R., Keble Cottage, Oxford.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Eastbourne, on Saturday, February 25th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 (1/- per head), followed by the business meeting, when the Rev. Canon Whelpton has promised to preside. The bells of All Saints' are available 6 p.m., Christ Church 7.15 p.m. and St. Mary's 6-7 p.m. All those intending to be present, kindly advise me by Wednesday, February 22nd.—Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. Div. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Ely.—A District meeting will be held at Long Stanton on Saturday, Feb. 25th. Bells (8) available afternoon and evening. Short service at 5 o'clock. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Feb. 22nd.—A. E. Austin, Dist. Sec., 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Fulney, Spalding, on Saturday, Feb. 25th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Dinner will be provided in Schoolroom adjoining church at 1 o'clock. Tickets 2/6 each. Bells (8) available all day.—George Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.—Exeter District Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Thorverton on Saturday, Feb. 25th. Bells available 2 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 (1/-). All ringers welcome.—J. C. Oke, Assist. Sec., 35, St. David's Hill, Exeter.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—The Half-yearly meeting will be held at Gillingham on Saturday, Feb. 25th. Bells available from 3 to 9. Short service at 5.30. If possible tea will be provided at a charge per head. Will all who propose attending notify me by Wednesday 22nd, so as to make arrangements? Half fares up to 2/- will be paid to practising members. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due, and should be paid at or before the meeting. Look up Cambridge and Superlative.—Fred. M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend, Kent.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District.—A Monthly meeting of the above will be held at Lenton on Saturday, Feb. 25th. Ringing from 4.30 to 8 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m. All are welcome.—T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The pre-Lent meeting will be held at Chester-le-Street, on Saturday, February 25th. Tea will be provided (about 1/- per head) for all members who notify me by the 21st inst.—B. C. Dixon, Hon. Sec., 80, Fern Dene Road, Gateshead.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at East Malling, on Saturday, February 25th. Bells available at 3 o'clock, a short service at 5 o'clock. Tea provided by the Vicar and Churchwardens at 5.45. Business meeting after, all ringers intending being at the meeting must let me know not later than Tuesday morning, February 20th, or tea cannot be provided for them.—Stephen Hazyelden, Hon. Dis. Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District. — A quarterly meeting will be held at Staines (St. Peter's), on February 25th. Bells at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock, meeting to follow. St. Mary's bells also available. Those requiring tea, please notify me not later than Tuesday, February 21st.—H. F. Mills, Hon. Sec., 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — Rochester District.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at Gillingham (owing to the continued illness of the Vicar of Rainham), on Saturday, February 25th. Tower open at 3. Full particulars later. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due and should be paid at or before this meeting.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The usual Monthly meeting will be held at Pudsey on Feb. 25th. Meeting at 7 p.m. at the White Cross Hotel. Ringing from 2.30 to 9 p.m.—M. Moorhouse, Hon. Sec., 10, Mitford Road, Armley.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Adwick-le-Street, on Saturday, Feb. 25th. Tea only provided for those who notify me before the 21st.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Weekley on Saturday, Feb. 25th. Usual arrangements. Let me know by Wednesday, Feb. 22nd certain, those requiring tea.—R. F. Turner, Hon. District Sec., 7, Gordon Street, Kettering.

**BARLEY, HERTS.**—The dedication of the New Treble Bell will take place on Sunday, Feb. 26th, at 3 p.m. Bells (6). Tea will be provided for all who notify their intention of being present.—R. Howard, Church End, Barley, Royston, Herts.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—The closing date for the payment of the 1s. 8d. subscription is Feb. 28th. Meeting for practice will be held at \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 21st at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, March 4th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 5 to 8 p.m. Committee meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The Annual meeting of the above Guild will be held at Dudley on Saturday, March 4th. Bells available for 3 p.m. Service in the New Parish Hall, King Street, at 4 o'clock, which will be conducted by the President, the Rev. A. H. Phelps, M.A., R.D., who will also preside at the business meeting afterwards. A tea will be provided for those who notify me of their intention of being present not later than first post Tuesday, Feb. 28th, for which a small charge may be made.—Fred Colclough, Hon. Sec., 1, Earl Street, Bilston.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Feltham on Saturday, March 4th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Will arrange tea at a reasonable charge for 5.30. Everyone is welcome.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District. — The next Quarterly meeting at the Parish Church, Weston-super-Mare, on Saturday, March 4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea at Brown's Café, High Street at 5 o'clock.—Edith Smith, 23, Somerset St., Kingsdown, Bristol.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A Ringing meeting will be held at Norton on Saturday, March 4th. Please notify me on or before Feb. 27th how many intend to be present from your tower.—E. Steele, 109, George St., S. Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Reigate on Saturday, March 4th. Details next week.—C. Dean, 59, Wellesley Road, Croydon.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, second Monday, and St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATION VACANT.

Wanted, experienced single man for kitchen and flower garden. Good accommodation, with milk and vegetables found. Good 8-bell ringing in various methods near by.—Box 10, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.** — For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

'GRANDSIRE, DOUBLES AND TRIPLES, SIMPLY EXPLAINED.' Price 6d.; post free, 7d.; twelve copies, 5/9, post free. A new, concise explanation of the Method, intended for beginners and those who find the ordinary books of instruction too technical.—From I. ROE and M. BROOME, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath.

'BELL NEWS,' 1904—1915, both inclusive, unbound. 'RINGING WORLD,' from No. 1, unbound. Offers to 16, Harefield Road, Brockley, S.E.4.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

Set of 15, Tenor, size 21, in D. In good condition. Price £8, or best offer.—Apply, Box No. 12, 'Ringing World.'

#### HANDBELLS WANTED.

Wanted, Peal of Handbells in good condition. Tenor, size 16 to 18 preferred.—A. Bowman, The Street, Bramford, Ipswich.



**THE APPLETON LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.****LOST AFTER RINGING 9,360 CHANGES.**

The attempt by members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild to ring the long peal of Grandsire Caters at Appleton, Berks, as announced in 'The Ringing World,' was duly made, and failed through a shift course, after ringing 9,360 changes, in 5 hours and 40 minutes. The Master of the Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) was present to hear what he described as excellent striking throughout, and had only left to fulfil another engagement a few minutes before the bells stopped.

A number of ringers from various parts also testified to the quality of the ringing, and congratulated the band on their efforts to achieve success. The ringers were: F. S. White 1. G. Holifield 2. H. Holifield 3. J. W. Wilkins 4. C. G. White 5. H. A. White 6. F. S. Macey 7. G. Holifield (composer and conductor) 8. R. White 9. F. White 10.

Thanks are due to the Rector and churchwardens for the permission to ring, and no doubt exists that the villagers were as keen as the ringers for the accomplishment of the peal.

With the exception of J. W. Wilkins, High Wycombe, and F. S. Macey, Smarden, Kent, the whole of the band were born, and lived within a mile of the village.

At a gathering, assembled afterwards, in the Old Tavern, one of the churchwardens attended, and, after complimenting the ringers, wished them success for a third effort.

Some excellent handbell ringing by the five brothers White, which included tune selections, and a course of Grandsire Caters 'lapped,' and some part-songs were much enjoyed, as was also a song, about the 10,000 rung in November, 1921, by Mr. H. White.

## **ALFRED BOWELL.**

### **CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**

### **IPSWICH.**

**PEAL CARDS, 3/6 Dozen.****REPORT BOOKS, BALANCE SHEETS, RECEIPT BOOKS  
STATIONERY.****SUPPORT FELLOW RINGERS.**

**GOOD,** The Ringers' Printers,  
Bros. D., 31, Prestonville Rd., Brighton.

**YORKSHIRE STONE.**

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

# **BELL ROPES**

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**  
LIMITED,  
**COVENTRY.**  
MAKERS SINCE 1730.

**RINGERS!**

Please send your enquiries.  
**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

# **Clewellins**

## **& James, Ltd.,**



### **CHURCH BELLS SINGLY OR IN RINGS.**

**Bell Frames in Cast Iron, Steel  
and Oak.**

**Bells tuned on the latest im-  
proved principles initiated by  
the late Canon Simpson.**

## **CASTLE GREEN**

## **— BRISTOL —**



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowden Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.  
GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.  
STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.  
STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.  
TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.  
PART II.—At present out of print.  
DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.  
All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION...	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY	...	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods)	...	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	...	1 0

### "The World's Best Bellropes."

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker,

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed, Hand-  
bells in sets Chromatic or Diatonic.

### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 571. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

### CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

## BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### TIME TO PREPARE.

Now is the time when associations should busy themselves in arranging their summer programmes, and the enterprising among them are doubtless already looking ahead in this matter. There are many ringers who do not look upon the summer as the best period for ringing, and it must be admitted that the long days offer many counter attractions to the belfry. On the other hand, there is a type of 'missionary' work which the summer calls forth. It is important that ringing organisations should use their best endeavours to prevent their members' from temporarily losing interest through the best six months of the year, when there is an inclination to leave the belfry severely alone for the pursuit of outdoor recreations. In many places it is still the rule to drop the weekly practice night as soon as winter is past, and the usual result is that when the band meets again in the autumn it has to begin where it started a year before, and very likely has to fill more than one vacancy which has developed by the complete loss of interest on the part of some of the more indifferent members.

It ought to be the aim of every local society to maintain regular practices throughout the year, and, after all, there is not much sacrifice required, even from the least enthusiastic, to put in an hour or so in the belfry once a week. It is the only real way of maintaining efficiency, for it is noticeable that in numerous cases where the practice is dropped the Sunday service ringing also suffers from slack attendance. This, it is true, is a matter which chiefly concerns individual bands of ringers, and it provides a good opportunity for the leader to show the quality of his leadership. The right man in the right place will keep his men together; indifference or lack of enthusiasm will leave members to fall away in their attendance, even if by so doing they are not following the example of their captain. The greatest drawback to a state of suspended animation in the summer is the lost ground that has to be made up when ringing is resumed, and one finds very few instances of real progress where ringing is looked upon as a winter pursuit only. All the bands that are counted among the best are those who keep up their practices all the year round.

But while, as we have said, this is a matter mostly concerning individual bands, the associations, on their part, ought to make a point of using every possible endeavour to prevent any lapse by their individual branches. Where influence fails, more energetic steps in the shape of informal meetings and joint practices at the towers in question could be tried. The essential point is that it should be a duty upon an association to induce activity

(Continued on page 114.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

into any of its towers where summer lethargy creeps in. Unfortunately, many of the county and other organisations hardly look upon such work as this as part of their responsibility, but in our view it would prove in time one of the most useful to which they could turn attention; for any action which will maintain interest in a tower must eventually react to the prosperity of the parent society. The subject of summer somnolence is not so much out of season at the end of February as some may think, for ringing associations do not bestir themselves rapidly, and this reminder may induce those who have not already done so to begin to plan a programme for the coming months.

### TWELVE BELL PEALS.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.

On Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5169 CHANCES:**

Tenor 26 cwt.

THOMAS WRIGHT... ..	Treble	WILLIAM HASTINGS ... ..	7
FRANK COLE... ..	2	ALFRED HANNIS ... ..	8
WILLIAM IRELAND ... ..	3	GEORGE HARRIS ... ..	9
THOMAS BALDWIN ... ..	4	CHARLES GARDINER ... ..	10
HUBERT SCRIVENS ... ..	5	JOHN BALLINGER... ..	11
ALBERT WRIGHT ... ..	6	CHARLES BARNFIELD ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

Rung on the 2nd anniversary of the record peal of Grandsire Cinques.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 6050 CHANCES:**

THOMAS RUSSAN ... ..	Treble	J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... ..	7
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... ..	2	A. PADDOON SMITH ... ..	8
ALBERT WALKER... ..	3	ERNEST MANSELL ... ..	9
GEORGE F. SWANN ... ..	4	JAMES E. GROVES ... ..	10
PERCY O. LARLIN ... ..	5	JOHN NEAL ... ..	11
THOMAS H. REEVES ... ..	6	SIDNEY J. JESSOP... ..	Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

This peal, in four parts, has the inverted titlums and handstroke home position, natural titlums and backstroke home position, and was specially arranged and rung on the occasion of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kendal, prominent members of St. Martin's Church, Mr. Kendal having been Rector's warden for the past 22 years.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD, SHOREDITCH,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANCES:**

Tenor 28 cwt.

HAROLD W. CLARKE ... ..	Treble	*ARTHUR MASON ... ..	7
GEORGE R. PYE ... ..	2	JAMES E. DAVIS... ..	8
CHARLES T. COLES ... ..	3	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... ..	9
WILLIAM HEWETT ... ..	4	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ...	10
ALBERT W. COLES ... ..	5	REUBEN SANDERS ... ..	11
JOHN ARMSTRONG... ..	6	WILLIAM PYE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by GEORGE R. PYE.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

This composition contains the 6th six courses at home and is now rung for the first time. \* First peal of Cambridge Maximus. First peal of Cambridge Maximus on the bells.

**ALFRED BOWELL,  
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,  
IPSWICH.**

**TEN BELL PEALS.**

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SEPULCHRE, HOLBORN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6010 CHANGES;**

Tenor 31 cwt.

GEORGE R. FARDON ... .. Treble	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 6
WILLIAM S. LANGDON ... .. 2	HENRY G. MILES ... .. 7
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 3	HENRY R. NEWTON ... .. 8
WILLIAM HIBBERT ... .. 4	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 9
JAMES SCHOLDS ... .. 5	RICHARD F. FORWARD ... Tenor

Composed by GEORGE R. FARDON. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

SURREY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Feb. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb. in F.

TOM TEBBUTT ... .. Treble	JOHN CURRY ... .. 6
ROBERT RICHARDSON ... .. 2	ERNEST FLOWERS ... .. 7
ARTHUR FARR ... .. 3	SYDNEY G. FLOWERS ... .. 8
JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 4	WILLIAM HOLLINGWORTH ... 9
JOHN G. AMES ... .. 5	REV. H. LAW JAMES ... Tenor

Adapted from JOHN HOLT. Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

SAFFRON WALDEN, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Feb. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6001 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

FRED J. PITSTOW ... .. Treble	ALFRED PITSTOW ... .. 6
LEONARD PITSTOW ... .. 2	FREDERICK HOUSDEN ... .. 7
ROBERT STRONG ... .. 3	GEORGE JORDAN ... .. 8
ERNEST PITSTOW ... .. 4	FREDERICK DENCH ... .. 9
GEORGE SPARROW ... .. 5	WALTER PARISH ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ALFRED PITSTOW.

Rung on the conductor's birthday and on the 80th birthday of the father of Mr. Dench. Mr. G. Jordan hails from Stansted.

CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE PRIORY CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6039 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30 cwt.

ARTHUR N. WOOFF ... .. Treble	ALBERT BEST ... .. 6
*WILLIAM C. L. PRIOR ... .. 2	FRANK A. SPARSHOTT ... .. 7
*HERBERT G. LAMBERT ... .. 3	WILLIAM G. FOWLER ... .. 8
*LEONARD G. STONE ... .. 4	GEORGE PRESTON ... .. 9
WILLIAM G. STONE ... .. 5	BERT J. KERLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. B. CARPENTER. Conducted by GEORGE PRESTON.

\* First peal on 10 bells. First peal of Stedman Caters by all the band except G. Preston. First peal of Stedman Caters as conductor and rung at the first attempt. The peal was arranged to commemorate the unveiling and dedication of the war memorial in the church by the Bishop of Southampton. All the ringers are members of the local band and are Sunday service ringers.

LOUGHBOROUGH.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30½ cwt.

*WILLIAM SMITH ... .. Treble	*FRED W. HILL ... .. 6
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 7
*FRYCE TAYLOR ... .. 3	FRED H. DEXTER ... .. 8
ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... .. 4	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 9
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 5	SAM THOMAS ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLY. Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

\* First peal of Cambridge Royal.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,

AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES;**

Tenor 33 cwt.

*JAMES WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	HARRY A. FARLOW ... .. 6
HEBBERT KNIGHT ... .. 2	*THOMAS SMITH ... .. 7
JOHN PERRY ... .. 3	*ALFRED FALLON ... .. 8
*GEORGE TUDOR ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. LAWLEY ... .. 9
EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... 5	THOMAS PERRY ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

Rung half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Sir Alfred Bird, Bart., M.P. (member for Wolverhampton West), who was accidentally killed at Hyde Park Corner on the 7th inst. This peal has the 6th 24 courses at home, both in the titmums and handstroke home positions, and has no singles. \* First peal away from the tenor and first on ten. † First peal on ten.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

NEWCHURCH, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROSSENDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Jan. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

JAMES TAYLOR ... .. Treble	ORMEROD EASTWOOD ... .. 5
T. HARRISON ... .. 2	WALTER TAYLOR ... .. 6
SAMUEL LORD ... .. 3	J. T. WRIGHT ... .. 7
LAW TAYLOR ... .. 4	J. W. ORMEROD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER TAYLOR.

First peal on the bells since they were rehung.

WILLENHALL, STAFFS.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ISAAC EVANS ... .. Treble	SAMUEL H. COLEY ... .. 5
EDWARD HORTON ... .. 2	JOHN T. DAVIES ... .. 6
WILLIAM E. WATHEN ... .. 3	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 7
DAVID APPLEBY ... .. 4	ALBERT WARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER WALLATER.

Rung to commemorate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. George Wolverson, who were married at the above church 25th Dec., 1896 Mr. Wolverson has been connected with St. Giles' Church for 25 years as sidesman and churchwarden.

PENN, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

T. HINSALL ... .. Treble	J. BLOORE ... .. 5
A. BOWYER ... .. 2	A. GAMSTON ... .. 6
F. HICKMAN ... .. 3	E. G. BOWYER ... .. 7
S. WINSLEY ... .. 4	T. GAMSTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. G. BOWYER.

This is considered a very fine performance, as the above ringers are all members of the Penn band, and no one except the conductor had any knowledge of change ringing prior to July, 1917. First peal as conductor.

CHISLEHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Feb. 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

THOMAS PHILLIPS ... .. Treble	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... .. 5
JAMES FORD ... .. 2	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 6
PERCY BRETT-SMITH ... .. 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 7
GEORGE DURLING ... .. 4	HARRY DURLING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.



DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
On Thursday, Feb. 15, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

EDWARD GRINDLE ... .. Treble	WALTER RUFFLES ... .. 5
*VICTOR KERRY ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. GROOM ... .. 6
WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. 3	ERNEST E. GRIMES ... .. 7
GEORGE S. ROWE ... .. 4	THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN E. BURTON. Conducted by WILLIAM J. GROOM.  
\* First peal.

CRAYFORD, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Thursday, Feb. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paulinus,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S FOUR-PART.

WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... Treble	JOHN H. CHERSMAN ... .. 5
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 2	JOHN WHEADON ... .. 6
HERBERT AUDSLEY ... .. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... 7
SPENCER MARSHALL ... .. 4	REGINALD CLARKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, JUN.

STANSTED, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
On Friday, Feb. 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5038 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM T. PRIOR ... .. Treble	THOMAS J. WATTS ... .. 5
WALTER PRIOR ... .. 2	THOMAS JORDAN ... .. 6
GEORGE JORDAN ... .. 3	FREDERICK DENCH ... .. 7
ALFRED PITSTOW ... .. 4	FREDERICK J. PITSTOW ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by F. J. PITSTOW.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor. Ringers of 4th, 7th and 8th hail from Saffron Walden.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
On Friday, Feb. 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At the Bell Foundry Tower,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 6½ cwt.

JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. Treble	ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... .. 5
WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 2	PRYCE TAYLOR ... .. 6
ERNEST LESLIE ... .. 3	EDWARD READER ... .. 7
JAMES S. HUTCHBY ... .. 4	JOHN OLDBAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN OLDBAM.

WARFIELD, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael the Archangel,

**A PEAL OF GRANISIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 27 lb.

MRS. W. R. MELVILLE ... Treble	JOHN RANCE ... .. 5
WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 6
GILBERT BULL ... .. 3	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 7
JOHN BRANT ... .. 4	*LEVI BRISTOW ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM WELLING.

\* First peal.

ASHTED, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Giles,

**A PEAL OF GRANISIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

*MISS E. FISHER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. CORBETT ... .. 5
JOHN BEAMS ... .. 2	JOHN HOYLE ... .. 6
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 3	JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 7
GEORGE COOK ... .. 4	WILLIAM LYNCH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. H. WHITE.

First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 4th.

BRISTOL.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
(SS. PHILIP & JACOB'S GUILD.)

On Monday, Feb. 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PHILIP AND JACOB,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

*MRS. E. J. BROWN ... .. Treble	*JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... .. 5
*EDWIN J. BROWN ... .. 2	*PERCY C. WILLIAMS ... .. 6
MISS ANNIE BROWN ... .. 3	*FREDERICK E. TYLER ... .. 7
FREDERICK W. WADE ... .. 4	ISAAC LONG ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by EDWIN J. BROWN.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method. ‡ First peal in the method on a bob bell. Rung with the bells half-muffled on the occasion of the dedication of the war memorial to the men of St. Philip's who gave their lives in the war, including the late Mr. F. E. Williams, a ringer at the above church, who died of wounds on Feb. 7th, 1917. It was also rung to the memory of the late Dr. George Shepley Page.

HEENE, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Botolph,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

JOSEPH FARMER ... .. Treble	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 2	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 6
ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 3	EDMUND LINDUP ... .. 7
ALFRED W. GROVES ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW. Conducted by KEITH HART.

BEESTON, NOTTS.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

JOHNSON'S VARIATION.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

FRED S. PRICE ... .. Treble	J. CHARLES DICKEN ... .. 5
ALBERT COPPOCK ... .. 2	WILLIAM A. JAMES ... .. 6
WM. CLIFFORD, SEN. ... .. 3	ARTHUR LOWE ... .. 7
*ALFRED B. MOSS ... .. 4	PERCIVAL PRICE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

First peal in the method by all. First in the method on the bells and first in the county of Notts by a local band, all the men being regular Sunday ringers at this church. The ringer of the 3rd is 73 years of age.  
\* First Surprise peal.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Remigius,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt. 0 qr. 16 lb.

GEORGE CLAXTON ... .. Treble	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 5
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 2	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... .. 6
GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 3	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 7
WILLIAM B. DONCAN ... .. 4	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

HALEWOOD, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5038 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

THOMAS JENNION ... .. Treble	GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 5
THOMAS HAMMOND, JUN. ... 2	JOHN ALLEN ... .. 6
CLAUDE I. DAVIES ... .. 3	ARTHUR LINTOTT ... .. 7
*BENJAMIN TREVIIT ... .. 4	EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by G. R. NEWTON.

\* First peal in the method. This is the 100th peal which the ringers of the 5th and tenor have taken part in together.

CROSTHWAITHE CHURCH, KESWICK.—On Friday, January 13th, 720 Bob Minor: D. Usher (first 720) 1, T. Hogarth 2, Miss C. Grisdale 3, T. Wilson 4, F. Grisdale 5, A. W. Brighton (London) 6.—On Monday, January 23rd, 720 Kent Treble Bob: T. Hartley 1, Fred Hogarth 2, T. Wilson 3, T. Hogarth 4, F. Grisdale 5, A. W. Brighton 6. Both conducted by A. W. Brighton.

## SKIPTON, YORKS.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS' FIVE-PART.

Tenor 22 cwt.

WILLIAM BILLOWS ... .. Treble	JOHN MCKELL ... .. 5
GEORGE ROBINSON ... .. 2	DR. WALES ... .. 6
JAMES B. GARLICK ... .. 3	HENRY HORNER ... .. 7
FREDERICK W. DIXON ... .. 4	WILLIAM D. HILLARY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. DIXON.

First peal on the bells, which have recently been recast by Messrs. Taylor & Co., Loughborough. The tone and 'go' is all that can be desired.

## KIRTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

(EASTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

JOHN PHILLIPS ... .. Treble	ALEX. SHARP ... .. 5
HAROLD PALMER ... .. 2	GEORGE COLEMAN ... .. 6
HERBERT TAYLOR ... .. 3	ARTHUR H. PALMER ... .. 7
FRED HILTON ... .. 4	FREDERICK LEGGOTT ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN.

Conducted by A. H. PALMER.

The ringers of treble and 5th hail from Freiston, 2nd, 7th and tenor from Skirbeck, 3rd and 6th from Frampton and 4th from Old Leake.

## WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb in F.

JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... Treble	JONATHAN PRESTON ... .. 5
CHARLES COTTRELL ... .. 2	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 6
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 3	THOMAS H. REEVES ... .. 7
GEORGE GARRISON ... .. 4	HERBERT C. SPENCER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. M. Cottrell, wife of the ringers of the 2nd.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## EMBERTON, BUCKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Jan. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 4040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Violet, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 9½ cwt.

BERNARD FISHER ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. MYNARD ... 4
FREDERICK W. BOOTH ... .. 2	WILLIAM FREEMAN ... .. 5
JACOB LOVELL ... .. 3	EDWIN S. MYNARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. J. MYNARD.

Rung in honour of the 79th birthday of the Rector, Rev. G.F. Sams.

## BRISTOL.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, CITY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

*MISS E. SMITH ... .. Treble	S. THOMAS ... .. 4
A. E. SMITH ... .. 2	H. G. TUDBALL ... .. 5
*E. DAY ... .. 3	*F. MAINE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by S. THOMAS.

\* First peal. Rung with the bells muffled as a token of sympathy upon the death of Mr. F. Headford, a ringers in this tower.

The ringer of the 5th in the peal of Stedman Caters at Ashton-under-Lyne, on December 31st, was Richard T. Holding, not R. Holden.

## BROCKWORTH, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Feb. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's.

GEORGE PRICE ... .. Treble	ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 5
THOMAS BALDWIN ... .. 2	JOHN BALLINGER ... .. 6
ALFRED HANNIS ... .. 3	FRANK COLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

## SCOTHORNE, Lincs.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GERMAIN,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

*WILLIAM CREASBY ... .. Treble	NIGEL ROUND-TURNER ... 4
REV. G. H. ROUND-TURNER ... 2	ARTHUR BALDWIN ... .. 5
*CHARLES CADE ... .. 3	SIMON CADE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by SIMON CADE.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells. All are members of the local company except the ringers of the treble and 5th, who hail from Welton.

## BREDONS NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Feb. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

Tenor 7 cwt.

*OLIVER ATTWOOD ... .. Treble	SIDNEY HOLT ... .. 4
JAMES HEMMING ... .. 2	WILLIAM RADFORD ... .. 5
ERNEST GIBBS ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. CAMM.

\* First peal in seven methods. First peal in seven methods on the bells.

## ROCK FERRY, CHESHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION AND

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Feb. 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London, Canterbury, Chester, Carlisle, Beverley York and Cambridge. Tenor 10½ cwt.

HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. Treble	† GEORGE R. NEWTON ... 4
GEORGE LUNT ... .. 2	JAMES MARTIN ... .. 5
THOMAS W. GILMOUR ... .. 3	* EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

\* First peal in seven Surprise methods. † First peal in seven Surprise methods as conductor. First peal in seven Surprise methods in the Wirral Peninsula. The band wish to thank the Vicar (Rev. A. Ball) for his kindness in giving permission for the peal to be attempted.

## LONDON.

## THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Feb. 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OLAVE, HART STREET, CITY,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Ipswich, Beverley, London, Cambridge, Durham, Wells and York. Tenor 14 cwt.

REUBEN SANDERS ... .. Treble	EDWARD D. SMITH ... .. 4
WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... .. 2	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
JOHN MOOLE ... .. 3	EDGAR WIGHTMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM MILLER.

This is thought to be the first peal of Surprise Minor rung at a six-bell tower in the City of London. Rung in memory of Mr. Thomas, Pallister Young, for many years churchwarden, to whom a memorial had been unveiled in the church during the day. The band wish to thank Mrs. Pallister Young for her kindly consideration after the peal; also Mr. H. Wilson, towerkeeper, for having everything in readiness.

## TUNSTALL, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Feb. 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Single, Double Oxford, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and two 720's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

SAMUEL E. TAYLOR ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 4
WILLIAM NYE ... .. 2	CHARLES TUMBER ... .. 5
THOMAS JULE ... .. 3	CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. Tenor

Conducted by CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M.

Rung as a compliment to conductor on the anniversary of his birthday.

## HANLEY SWAN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, Feb. 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Gabriel,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores called in 10 different ways. Tenor 10½ cwt.

* BASIL HOLL ... .. Treble	JOHN BAYLIS ... .. 4
ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 2	CHARLES ALLEN ... .. 5
CHARLES CANN ... .. 3	* PERCY CLEMENTS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by R. G. KNOWLES.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd.

## NORTH CERNEY, GLOS.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Feb. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 10 six-scores of Grandsire and 32 of St. Dunstan's, each called differently. Tenor 6½ cwt.

* ARTHUR DOWDESWELL ... Treble	FRANCIS J. LEWIS ... .. 4
* JAMES BUTLER ... .. 2	JOHN MILLER ... .. 5
WILLIAM C. CUSS ... .. 3	† WALTER PEACHEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM C. CUSS.

\* First peal of Doubles. † First peal.

## HOUGH-ON-THE-HILL, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, and 720 of Double Bob.

VICTOR NISBETT ... .. Treble	CHARLES W. ELSE ... .. 4
CHARLES W. BAINES ... .. 2	RICHARD W. PORTER ... .. 5
GEORGE SCOTT ... .. 3	CALEB L. SIMCOCK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. L. SIMCOCK.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## BATHEASTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 18 cwt.

* FRED GREEN ... .. Treble	† GEO. JAMES ... .. 4
JOHN TAYLOR ... .. 2	JESSE HALLETT ... .. 5
THEO. GRANT ... .. 3	HORACE TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. TAYLOR.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal in the method. First peal of Minor on the bells, and rung at first attempt.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## BIRMINGHAM.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, Feb. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
In the Cathedral Belfry,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 1-2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7-8
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 3-4	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 9-10
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 11-12

Composed by J. E. GROVES.

Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

This peal was arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. W. Kent, Mrs. A. Walker and Mr. T. Russam.

## CHISLEHURST, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Feb. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,  
At 35, ALBANY ROAD,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

* FREDERIC GROOMBRIDGE ... 1-2	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 5-6
† ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 3-4	† CYRIL BRETT-SMITH ... 7-8

Composed by C. H. MARTIN. Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.  
Umpire: T. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

\* First peal 'in hand' and in the method. † First peal 'in hand.'  
† First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. Groombridge, F. Groombridge, sen., and F. Fraser.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Feb. 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Royal Grammar School,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 18 in G.	
CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 1-2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 7-8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Radford, also as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. Blondell, of Woking, on their silver wedding day.

## FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GRAPPENHALL BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1922, in One Hour and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Residence of Mr. William Bibby,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

* JOHN EDWARD BIBBY ... 1-2	* FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 3-4
WILLIAM BIBBY ... .. 5-6	

Conducted by JOHN E. BIBBY.

Umpire: GEORGE H. RANGLES.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal 'in hand' by all and first attempt.  
First peal as conductor.

## EALING.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At 69, BALFOUR ROAD,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

GEORGE E. HARBOUR ... 1-2	HAROLD P. JAMES ... .. 5-6
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 3-4	DOUGLAS HARBOUR ... .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

## BIRTHDAY PEAL.

On Feb. 11th, eight members of the Salop Guild met at Shifnal to attempt a peal which proved successful, in honour of Mr. J. Bradney's 72nd birthday. Mr. Bradney, who is one of the oldest members of the Guild, met the company afterwards, and congratulated the band on the excellent ringing. He kindly entertained them to tea at the Star Hotel, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded him, on the motion of Mr. C. R. Lilley, seconded by Mr. C. Picken, and supported by Mr. F. Fallon (Wolverhampton). There were representatives of six towers in the peal, viz., St. Luke's, Wolverhampton; St. Chad's, Salop; Oswestry, Ightfield, Stockton and Shifnal.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

**IRISH NOTES.****DUBLIN TOWERS RECOVERING.—PROPOSED ANNUAL DINNER.**

The various bands of ringers in Dublin are just recovering from a very bad time. Of late years there have been severe losses at St. Patrick's Cathedral, and much time has been spent in making these good. The results of the work which Mr. Gabriel Lindoff and the older members have had to face are now being realised, for the company is just getting back to Cinques again.

The three other towers in the City have also fared badly, but are now beginning to go forward once more.

For the remaining part of Ireland there is little to be said, for with the serious troubles that have been experienced, it has been difficult to keep touch with them. It is interesting to note, however, that Waterford won the Irish Association's shield for attendance at Sunday ringing, with a percentage of 98.

On Saturday, February 4th, a ringers' smoking concert was held in St. Patrick's Schools, Dublin. It was attended by the majority of the members of the various companies in the city. A good programme was carried out, and a very happy evening was spent by all.

It was decided to hold an annual dinner amongst the Dublin ringers, to take place between Christmas Day and the new year.

**FIRST SURPRISE MINOR PEAL IN THE CITY.**

St. Olave's Church, Hart Street, where what is believed to be the first Surprise Minor peal in the City of London was rung on the 15th inst., though small, is one of the most interesting and historic in the Metropolis, and contains many monuments. It was one of the eight City churches now standing which escaped the Great Fire. The greater part of the building dates from about 1450. The most notable monument is that to Sir Samuel Pepys, the immortal diarist, who regularly worshipped in the church, and, by ordering men up to London from Greenwich Dockyard to blow up a line of houses, saved this church from destruction.

Four of the bells bear the inscription, 'Anthony Bartlett made mee 1662.' Anthony Bartlett was second of three generations of that name who were proprietors of the Whitechapel Foundry in the seventeenth century. The first was Thomas Bartlett, who was foreman under the Carters, and the foundry passed to him in 1619. He died about 1647, and was succeeded by his son Anthony; and the latter by his son, James, in 1676.

**WINCHESTER GUILD.****ISLE OF WIGHT BRANCH LOSES ITS FIRST PRESIDENT.**

The passing of Bishop Macarthur, formerly Bishop of Southampton, who had lately taken up his residence in the Isle of Wight, is a very heavy blow to the newly-formed Isle of Wight Branch of the Winchester Diocesan Guild, which thus early loses its first president. The deceased Bishop took a keen interest in Island ringers, which was evidenced by his kind invitation last summer, at the dedication of Carisbrooke's restored peal, to the whole of the members, and many who were not members of the Guild, to partake of his hospitality. It is a matter of considerable satisfaction to all who were privileged to be present on that occasion that a group photograph of the whole party was secured, with the Bishop as the central figure.

In honoured and revered memory of a noble and generous leader, unflinched ringing took place in most Island towers on Sunday, Feb. 5th, a quarter-peal of Grand-ire Triples being rung at Brading on that day, and another at Ryde on Tuesday, the day of the funeral. A floral tribute from the branch, in the form of a bell, of white narcissi, with a clapper of violets, was not the least effective of a huge collection of loving tokens from many who feel the poorer to-day, and who mourn the loss of one who acknowledged the help of his humbler workers in the towers of his diocese.

Two attempts for quarter-peals of Stedman Triples at Newport unfortunately came to grief, one for lack of time, the other owing to a missed bob in the last course but one.

**GUILDFORD DISTRICT.**

A meeting of the Guildford District was held at Dorking, on Saturday, February 11th, and was well attended, ringers being present from Cranleigh, Godalming, Guildford (Holy Trinity and St. Nicolas), Leatherhead, and Shere, as well as members of the local company. A service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. W. J. B. Hayter), who also gave an excellent address. A capital tea was provided at the Wheatsheaf Hotel, the Vicar presiding.

At the business meeting, the Ringing Master's report was read by Mr. W. R. Melville, Mr. A. C. Hazelden, Ringing Master (who sent an apology), being unable to attend.

One honorary member and one probationer were elected.

A move was then made for the tower, and the bells were kept going in various methods till nine o'clock.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1670**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and**

**Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD**

**LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

London ringers particularly are likely to be busy on the occasion of the Royal wedding next Tuesday. The new eight at the Abbey will be rung for the service, and afterwards the Abbey band will attempt a peal. At St. Paul's Cathedral, St. Martin's and other leading churches, there will be ringing during the day.

The Middlesex Association's peal of Cambridge Maximus at Shore-ditch last Saturday is the first in London since the war, although numerous attempts have been made, including that by the Kent Association at Southwark a year ago, when failure came after four hours' ringing. At the same tower in July the Middlesex Association rang 3 hrs. 10 mins., and at Cornhill, Southwark and Bow, the College Youths have made a number of attempts.

The resumption of the College Youths practices at Southwark next week will be welcomed by members of that society. By the way, we understand that peal attempts at this tower are to be limited to one per month, and that the Ancient Society have got it 'hooked' for some months ahead.

Mr. J. J. Kendall, for many years one of the churchwardens of St. Martin's, Birmingham, and Mrs. Kendall, celebrated their golden wedding on February 15th. They have been the recipients of many congratulatory messages, and the congregation of St. Martin's have presented Mrs. Kendall with a handsome pearl pendant, and Mr. Kendall with a gold fountain pen. The presentations took place at a largely attended gathering at the Grand Hotel.

On the previous evening a specially composed peal of 5,050 Stedman Cinques was rung by St. Martin's Guild in honour of the occasion, Mr. Kendall having been a warm supporter of the Guild, in which he has shown keen interest. He has attended the 'Johnson' dinner for many years.

A number of interesting anniversaries fall on February 28th. On that date, in 1801, a peal of Norwich Royal was rung at Spitalfields. At the time it was believed to be the first in the method, and was so described on a peal board which was destroyed in the fire of 1836. The peal board recorded that 'this great performance (being the first in this intricate method) is highly esteemed for the correct striking and harmony it produced, and cannot be equalled, but by the same exertion and perseverance, which must ever reflect honour and credit to the performers.'

The peal was composed and conducted by John Noonan. It is the first in the method of which any details are left to us, but the first peal of Norwich Royal is believed to have been rung at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, in 1769, and is mentioned in the 'Clavis,' and in the Osborne MS. in the British Museum.

On February 28th, 1809, Henry Johnson was born, and on the same date, in 1838, Edwin Horrex (who we still have with us, active in ringing, and, we all hope, good for his century) first saw the light.

Johnson's 72nd birthday, in 1881, was celebrated with a peal of 9,238 Stedman Cinques at St. Martin's Birmingham (the longest length in the method at that time), in which the old man took part. In the following year another birthday peal was rung in Birmingham, conducted by C. H. Hattersley. Tom Hattersley, of Sheffield, was also in the peal.

Although this latter peal was rung 40 years ago, there are three survivors, Henry Johnson, junr., John Buffery, and the 'father' of Midland ringers, William Rock Small. After the peal 25 ringers sat down to a supper at the 'Dog and Partridge,' and that gathering was the germ from which sprang the Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner.

On February 25th, 1777, a peal of 10,080 Grandsire Caters was rung at Leicester, and on February 26th, in the same year, a 10,000 of Boh Major was rung at Shrewsbury.

On March 1st, 1734, 8,064 Grandsire Caters was rung at Paiswick, and on the same day in the following year (1735), 10,088 Grandsire Caters was rung in the same tower.

March 1st, 1889, was the date upon which the record length of Canterbury Pleasure Major (13,440) was rung at Warham, Sussex, where for a time round about that period, more peal ringing was done than at any other individual tower in the country.

Thirty-three years ago to-morrow, February 25th, 1889, the Birmingham and District Association visited Rowley Regis, Staffordshire, and rang 10,272 Grandsire Major, in 6 hours and 5 mins. The band was: J. Carter 1, J. Jones 2, T. Horton 3, W. Brook 4, C. Carmell 5, F. H. James 6, A. Hackley 7, J. T. Perry 8. The peal, composed and conducted by John Carter, contained the 120 courses with the tenors together throughout, and remains the longest peal ever rung in the method.

**HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.**—Oxford Guild.—On Wednesday, Feb. 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes): A. Hoing 1, E. Coles 2, F. Hayes 3, E. Markham 4, J. W. Wilkins (conductor) 5, E. King 6, J. Evans 7, C. Mayne 8, S. Goodchild 9, R. Ingram 10.

## BRISTOL UNITED GUILDS' BANQUET.

### GREAT SUCCESS OF THE FIRST GATHERING.

The first annual dinner, organised by the Bristol United Guilds, which was held on Saturday at the Grand Hotel, was a great success. The company numbered about 130, and was representative not only of the ringers of Bristol and the West of England, but of many other centres besides. Members of the Exercise were present from London, Bristol, Gloucester, Bath, Southampton, Poole, Taunton, Milverton, Midsomer Norton, Wells, Paulton, Newport, Wotton-under-Edge, Thornbury, Cheltenham, Birmingham, Manchester, Chippenham, and Cardiff.

Mr. H. T. Howell, the Master, presided; Mr. William A. Cave was in the vice-chair; and the company included Bishop Clifford, the Revs. M. E. Thorold and E. J. Phillips, W. J. Heber Thomas, H. Whiteford, and F. H. R. Crews, Capt. A. A. Bennett, C.A., Mr. J. W. Jones, Mr. E. Guise, Mr. C. H. Horton (London), Mr. Frank K. Howell, Mr. James George (Birmingham), Mr. J. W. Jones (hon. sec. of the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Guild), and Mr. A. Trippier, a member of the Corporation of Manchester.

After the dinner Mr. E. Guise (hon. secretary) read letters of apology from Messrs. W. T. Pates, A. Walker, C. H. Tomkins and J. S. Goldsmith.

The Rev. M. E. Thorold said he desired to make one addition. They had hoped to have with them the Archdeacon of Swindon. He was unable to be present, but had sent a letter, in which he said: 'The work of the church bell ringers in my Archdeaconry is much appreciated, and the music, heard over a rich, well-watered shore, or over rolling downs, has woven itself into the hearts of our people. There is nothing sectarian in a bell. It makes a universal appeal to the general breast.'

### THE BEAUTY OF BRISTOL'S CHURCHES AND BELLS.

The Master invited the company to honour 'the King,' after which Capt. A. Bennett proposed 'The Church,' and observed that they as bell ringers desired that the Church should be spared from dangers. He wished its unhappy divisions would disappear, and that it would be in a still better position to do its work. Bell ringers, although they had diverse views, were united in one thing, and that was the art of campanology.

Bishop Clifford, responding, said he was glad to address ladies as well as gentlemen. It was a sign of the time. There was a connection between the Church and the ringers, as the latter brought the people to the church. He trusted that there would always be the closest harmony between the Church and the Guilds of ringers. He was a lover of bells and church towers, and Bristolians were proud of their churches and their bells, as they had reason to be. He knew nothing more inspiring than standing in the city on a Sunday evening just before service, and to feel the air pulsating and throbbing with glorious bell sounds. To stand on Brandon Hill and look down on the city, with its beautiful church towers, was a magnificent sight. There caught the eyes the towers of Redcliff, the Cathedral, All Saints', Temple, and the lovely crown of St. Stephen's. That was a sight of which Bristolians were proud. Nothing sweetened the air like the sound of church bells. Having referred to the health of the Church, he said there was still something lacking. There was need for unity among ringers, laity, and clergy. The Church might have been too respectable in the past. They wanted it to be the Church of the man in the street, who would feel that he was part and parcel of it. The Church was awakening, and was seeking the aid of the laity in its management. Everyone had to do his part, and then good would result.

### BUILDERS OF THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

Mr. J. W. Jones (Newport) proposed 'The Gloucester and Bristol Association.' He observed that it had been his pleasure to be connected with the builders of that association for a great number of years. He mentioned among those who had done great service, the Rev. H. Law James, the Rev. C. P. D. Davies, Mr. F. R. Howell, Mr. H. T. Howell, Mr. W. Cave, and the four Jacks—Messrs. J. Wilkins, J. Austin, J. Burford and J. Thomas. The last-named was a little Bristol boy, now living in London. He trusted that the younger men would follow in the steps of the older members.

The Master added the name of Mr. Jack Brown, a lad of great promise.

A course of Grandsire Caters was rung on handbells by F. G. Leaker 1-2, C. Horton 3-4, A. Reeves 5-6, J. Burford 7-8, W. A. Cave 9-10.

Mr. E. Guise (hon. secretary) having referred to the losses the Association had sustained (among them being Mr. Boufflower and the Rev. H. A. Cockey), said that was the 45th vicar of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, and Mr. F. K. Howell, their treasurer, had entered on his 41st year as member (applause). Mr. Howell was one of the builders of the Association, and had done magnificent work. He (the speaker) had been a member for 16 years, and yet must

consider himself a junior. Looking back some years, Cheltenham Branch had held some very good records for length, and was allied with Painswick of the Stroud Branch. Gloucester Branch was the first branch to ring Surprise peals, and lastly but not least, Surprise ringing could be heard in Bristol almost every day (applause). The society started in 1878, and had made one continuous progress; and he saw no reason why it should not continue to go forward as it had done in the last few years.

### KINDRED GUILDS.

The Rev. M. E. Thorold gave 'Kindred Guilds and Associations,' and remarked that their object was to promote brotherly feeling, friendship and fellowship.

Mr. C. H. Horton (London), replying told the company that it was many years ago since he was in his native city of Bristol ringing among them—and when he was a schoolboy with some of them—before the art had reached its present high standard. There was an enormous number of kindred societies doing admirable work in the country. The College Youths, of which he was a member, honoured Bristol and Birmingham, and were always delighted to visit these cities and associate with their brethren (hear, hear). Having spoken of the generosity of ringers to those in need, he said that more ringers could be obtained voluntarily to ring a peal than by payment. They wanted a wider brotherhood, and the laws and science of campanology more generally and willingly taught to the younger ringers, and then at each successive dinner the company would be larger and larger (applause).

In proposing the toast of 'The Press,' the Rev. E. J. Phillips stated that he had never seen an Editor, and wondered what they were like. He (the speaker) had heard it said that a parson was six feet above argument, and he thought that Editors must be about eight miles away. He wondered why a parson had been asked to propose the toast. He himself thought that it was because they were so different. Take, for instance, during the war, newspapers went up to 2d., but the sermons still remained at 1d., at least he gathered so from the amount of copper in the collection (laughter). Then again, a person could feel drowsy and nod over a newspaper, but it would be incorrect to say that anyone could be heard snoring during a sermon. In conclusion, he wished every success to 'The Ringing World,' and hoped that ringers in the West would rally with greater numbers to keep their ringing paper afloat.

The musical programme was a distinct success, so much that the artists were toasted with musical honours. The outstanding items were the exquisite cello solos by Miss Winnie Read (silver medallist), a girl of undoubted promise. Miss Edith Hill delighted the audience with her soprano voice, and Mrs. Howell and Miss Stinchcombe, with their beautiful songs, were loudly applauded. Mr. A. J. Mayo rendered some excellent songs. On the humorous side the entertainment was well sustained by Mr. W. S. Emery, who had arranged the programme. The Devonshire stories of Mr. W. J. Southwood kept the company highly amused, and were followed by a Zummerzet dialect story ('Ben and the Butter'), by Mr. Stowell.

Encores were numerous and responded to by the artists, whose one aim was to make the party a happy family. All their services were voluntary. Special thanks are due to Mr. W. S. Emery for the excellent way in which he arranged the programme, the distinctive feature of which was its variety.

In responding to the toast of the artists, Mr. Emery said it gave them great pleasure to assist one branch of the church, as they themselves belonged to another branch, viz., the choir, although they had no bells at their own church.

### SOME IMPRESSIONS BY A BRISTOL RINGER.

The first Bristol United Guild's dinner must be written down as a success. Only one regret was heard, and that was that the date was so near the Henry Johnson Dinner. The first date suggested was January 28th, but it was found impossible to arrange a dinner anywhere on that day. It is hoped that in future the date will be either early in January (2nd or 3rd Saturday), or on the Saturday after Easter, thereby obviating all chance of clashing with our Birmingham friends.

Capt. Bennett spoke well and earnestly in proposing the toast of 'The Church.' Mr. J. W. Jones was in reminiscent mood when proposing 'Success of the Gloucester and Bristol Association,' and his references to past and present stalwarts of the Association were much appreciated. Mr. C. H. Horton, in responding to the toast of 'Kindred Associations and Guilds,' gave some excellent advice with regard to encouragement of beginners at Association meetings, but unfortunately it was, as far as the Gloucester and Bristol are concerned, many years too late. This was testified to by the Rev. E. J. Phillips in proposing 'The Press.' He said that he and his band of beginners had received every possible assistance and encouragement when attending meetings.

In the absence of the Editor of 'The Ringing World,' a representative of the 'Western Daily Press,' in an interesting speech, replied, and mentioned that his brother was a ringer, and when visiting Bristol recently he paid a round of visits to local towers, starting

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.



with Long Ashton (2½ miles) at 7 o'clock in the morning. At the end of the day he was very enthusiastic about the hearty reception he had everywhere received.

The hon. secretary is to be heartily congratulated on the musical programme. All the items were well rendered and received, encores being the rule. Time was fully occupied, and there were no dull moments from start to finish.

The dinner has come to stay.

### 'MANY HAPPY RETURNS.'

On Sunday last, Mr. Samuel How, who is now residing with his son-in-law, Mr. Warne, at Southall, Middlesex, celebrated his 90th birthday, having been born on February 19th, 1832, at King's Kerswell, Devon.

To convey the congratulations of the College Youths of which Mr. How is probably the oldest member, Messrs. C. F. Winney and H. R. Newton paid the old gentleman a visit, and found him very well, except that he complained that his legs were a bit shaky! His memory is not so good as it was, but the veteran has no bodily ailment.

Rugged in appearance, not unlike the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, Mr. How has been an enthusiastic ringer in his day, and took part in 65 peals with many well-known men in London and other parts of the country, including both Charles and Thomas Hattersley.

One of a family of thirteen, Mr. How humorously describes himself as only 'half a one,' the other half being his twin sister, and it is interesting to add that his mother was three times blessed with twins.

Throughout his life, until age forbade it, Mr. How was an indefatigable worker, doing his 16 hours a day, and having 'a kick like a calf' left. He has brought up a large family, all of whom have lived up to the standard they inherited from him.

Many happy returns!

### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Stroud and District Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association was held at Stroud, on Saturday, February 11th. Ringing commenced at 2.30, with touches of Grandsire Doubles and Triples, Bob Major and Stedman Triples. Tea was served in the Corn Hall, the president of the branch (the Rev. W. J. Clay, Vicar of Bisley) being in the chair. The annual business meeting followed. The hon. secretary, Mr. W. Hale, presented the accounts for the past year, and these were passed. The election of officers for the year followed. The Rev. W. J. Clay was re-elected president, Mr. A. Wright was elected hon. secretary in place of Mr. Hale, who was leaving the district, Mr. G. Orchard was elected joint secretary, and Mr. A. Wright was re-elected representative on the Management Committee of the Diocesan Association.

A vote of most cordial appreciation of Mr. Hale's work, and much regret at his resignation, was passed, and ordered to be recorded on the minutes.—The resolution was proposed by Mr. H. Smith, seconded by Mr. A. Wright, and supported by the president.—Mr. Hale thanked the members for their kindness, and said that as he was not going far away he would, he hoped, see them often.

All the officers were thanked for their services for the past year.

A service was afterwards held in the church, when the Association form was used, and an excellent address given by the Vicar (the Rev. — Swaine).

The tower was again visited in the evening, and the bells kept going in Grandsire Doubles, Triples and Caters until 8.30 p.m.

### MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the South-West district was held at Isleworth on Saturday, February 11th. Ringing during the afternoon was followed by service, conducted by the Rev. W. J. Summerfield, who was assisted by the Rev. Harold Smith, the latter giving an address on bells and their uses.

After service, the ringers were entertained to tea by the Rev. Dr. H. M. Rulton (Vicar) and churchwardens. Mr. H. Edgeley (churchwarden) presiding, supported by the Rev. W. J. Summerfield and Rev. H. Smith.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar and churchwardens for their kind hospitality, which was very much appreciated by all present.

At the business meeting, the balance sheet was presented and adopted, showing a few pence to the good on the year's working. Thirteen meetings were held during the year, with an average attendance of 40. Three honorary and 36 ringing members were elected during the year, which was a successful one both in attendance at meetings and in the subscriptions received.

All the officers were heartily thanked for their past services, and re-elected for the ensuing year.

With the usual votes of thanks to all who rendered the Association assistance, the meeting closed.

### BIRTHDAY PARTY AT TONG.

#### PRESENTATION TO MR. GEORGE BOLLAND.

On Saturday, February 4th, a gathering of ringers took place at the Greyhound Inn, Tong, to celebrate the 70th birthday of Mr. George Bolland. Some 40 invitations were issued to Mr. Bolland's older associates, and, with a few exceptions, caused by illness and the severe weather prevailing, these were able to attend. In the afternoon a peal was rung by the local band, and was a noteworthy performance on the conductor's part, from the fact that he has suffered for nearly twelve months from the effect of blood poisoning in the right hand.

Mrs. Ashton, the hostess, provided a liberal tea. The Rev. C. C. Marshall (president of the Yorks Association) was voted to the chair, and opening the proceedings by giving the toast of 'The King and Queen,' 'The Prince of Wales,' and 'Princess Mary,' the last named whom it is hoped to welcome ere long to the county. The toast having been duly honoured, the Chairman went on to speak of the object of that gathering to honour an old and valued friend and noted bell ringer—not alone in the county of Yorkshire, but throughout the whole ringing fraternity of England. Some of them had known Mr. Bolland a great many more years than he (the speaker) had, but his own knowledge went back 20 years to the early days of ringing at Birstall, where he made the acquaintance of many valued friends. Mr. Bolland he had met in many kinds of places, and times, and had rung with him, and he knew he was one they could depend upon as a safe ringer. He had worked with Mr. Bolland on his farm, and noted the same characteristic of thoroughness and hard work, and although he rose early, he found his friend had preceded him. At the Central Council meeting Mr. Bolland was a welcomed and respected member, and ringers from other parts of England would recall his hearty voice and broad Yorkshire accent. Continuing, Mr. Marshall said Mr. Bolland had brought into the annals of ringing in the Yorkshire Association the very highest traditions, and he was glad to say Mr. Bolland was churchwarden in his own Parish Church (applause).

Mr. Bolland's health was drunk with musical honours, and in responding to the toast, said he did not quite expect such a reception, but he was very pleased to have so much appreciation by the ringers of this county. He had been a ringer at Tong for 54 years, and was glad that he could still ring a peal of 5,000. The average age of his band that day was 59 years, and he gave them credit for their assistance.

Mr. Maude, who was called upon to make a presentation to Mr. Bolland, on behalf of the members who had comprised the various Whitsuntide parties, remarked that their friend had been looked upon as 'father' of the family, and he had pleasure in asking his acceptance of a gold-mounted walking stick, bearing name, date, and a bell engraven thereon. He trusted it would be of assistance in crossing the 3ft. bridge dividing Tong and Pudsey or Tong and Birstall (many of our readers have traversed this link).

The recipient, in acknowledging the gift, remarked that this was even a greater surprise, and he would value it highly. In referring to the various cities, towns and towers he had visited in their company, he mentioned the excellent and cordial greetings always extended to him.

Mr. Percy Johnson (Leeds), Mr. Lawson (Lightcliffe), Mr. Baxendale (Pudsey), Mr. C. Pratt (Calverley), Mr. Holgate (Bramley), Mr. Salmon (Halifax), Mr. John Thackray (Armley), Mr. Pearson (Pontefract), and Mr. Harcastle (Bradford), all added their testimony and good wishes.

It was a matter for regret that the Vicar of Tong was unable, through illness, to attend; but he sent his 'greeting' by letter, and expressed his desire for Mr. Bolland to arrange a weekly practice for young ringers.

The peal of 18 handbells was in much request, but the Yorkshire 'Clinking' course was missed by a few changes.

### RINGER'S RECORD SERVICE.

#### BAND UNBROKEN FOR 25 YEARS.

A remarkable instance of long service of ringers at Marnhall Church, Dorset, has just been recorded, the same six men having given their services voluntarily without break for 25 years.

To suitably acknowledge this unique event, the local parochial Church Council have had testimonials especially designed and presented to each man, framed and suitably worded, and showing pictures of the church, the group of bell ringers, and the three Rectors of Marnhall in office during this quarter of a century. The inscriptions on the bells are also given, which show the various dates of their founding, the whole forming a splendid tribute to and souvenir of a wonderful achievement, of which the ringers and parishioners are very proud.

The presentation took place at the annual choir and bell ringers' supper, when the Rector suitably congratulated the ringers on being able to ring, and on living in the same village at the end of 25 years. He thought it was a wonderful record.





**SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.****COUNTY MEETING AT IPSWICH.**

The first meeting of this Association for the whole of its area was held in Ipswich in St. Mary-le-Tower Church Room, on February 4th. The room was crowded, there being a very representative attendance from all parts of the diocese. Most of these, however, were not supporters of the new movement, and had, in fact, come to oppose it; many of the supporters of the Diocesan Association were absent through illness.

The Bishop, who presided, in a few appropriate words welcomed the meeting as the first that had ever been held of all the ringers in the diocese. His Lordship is evidently accustomed to persuade people, and after he had spoken the expected opposition did not materialise, but the meeting settled down to elect officers and a committee, which was authorised to draw up a constitution, new rules, and a scheme of working, and to report to another general meeting. It was mentioned that at present the Association consisted of about 50 members in East Suffolk and over 80 in West Suffolk.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.****EASTERN DISTRICT MEETING AT SAWBRIDGEWORTH.**

A most enjoyable meeting of the Eastern District of the Herts Association took place at Sawbridgeworth on Saturday week, when some twenty-one members and friends attended from places far apart—Brookley, Cambridge, Bishop's Stortford, Cheshunt, Edmonton, Harlow, Harlow Common, Saffron Walden, and Ware, with the Rev. B. H. Trewitt Drake, Vicar of Thundridge, and the hon. district secretary, Mr. W. H. Lawrence (Little Munden). The fine ring of eight were kept going during the afternoon and evening, with the tea interval and business meeting between, and well-struck touches from Grandsire to Cambridge were rung.

The Rev. B. H. T. Drake presided at the business meeting, at which Mr. F. J. Pittsow, of Saffron Walden, was elected a life member of the Association, and Mr. F. Bird, of Bishop's Stortford an ordinary member.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for kindly placing the bells at the disposal of the members, also to Mr. W. Tarling and the local band for kindly making necessary arrangements.

It was gratifying to find that the local band are getting together young hands, and that before long the Sawbridgeworth company may once more figure in the Association's report. Two of the beginners rang their best touch on an inside bell at this meeting, which seemed to be thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The quarterly meeting of the Northern District was held at Baldock, on Saturday, 18th February, when some 30 ringers were present from Royston, Barley, Hitchin, Stevenage, Graveley, Fulbourne, and the local band. At 4.30 p.m., the new Rector (the Rev. C. W. Alington) conducted a short service, with an interesting address and prayers for bell ringers. Tea, at the White Lion, was followed by the business meeting. A hearty welcome was given the new Rector on his election to the chair.

It was decided to hold by-meetings at Great Offley and Barley (both six-bell towers), the former before Easter and the latter after Easter. Six new members were elected, and the new Rector was duly elected an honorary member.

A vote of thanks was passed at this meeting to the late Rector (Rev. Canon Nairne) for his many past kindnesses shown in many ways to the Association and to bell ringers generally, and a letter has been sent to him expressing gratitude, and wishing him the best of health and happiness in his retirement.

A collection was again made for the Barley Bell Fund and realised 19s. 2d., for which great thanks was returned.

Baldock bells have had a long silence, and have recently been in the hands of the bell hangers. It is hoped they may have a good record before them.

**FORMER RINGER'S DEATH IN CANADA.**

At Horbury, Yorkshire, on February 16th, at 88, Peter and Leonard's Church, 800 Kent Treble Bob Major: G. Pickles 1, G. Hunt (conductor) 2, C. D. Potters (Barnsley) 3, G. F. Pickles 4, G. Barstow 5, F. Lockwood 6, Herbert Dransfield (Earsheaton) 7, R. Thickett 8. Rung with bells fully muffled, on receipt of news from Alberta, Canada, of the death of Mr. William H. Giggie, who for many years was a ringer at Horbury, and a most ardent secretary, both for change ringing and handbell societies. He went to America some ten years ago with a party of handbell ringers, and toured the States, later on visiting Canada and other parts, eventually settling in Canada as a schoolmaster. He was well known throughout Yorkshire as a musician, especially in connection with ringing, and the news of his death, at the comparatively early age of 49 was received with expressions of regret from all his old friends.

J. S.

**NOTICES.**

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Established 1755).—The 34th Annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at The Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham (in the beautiful Connaught Room), on Saturday, Feb. 25th, at 6 o'clock, when the chair will be taken by Canon E. Grose Hodge, M.A., Rector of Birmingham. To fully qualified members tickets will be issued on payment of 3/- to meet the increased cost of the dinner; to other members and friends, 7/6 each. The bells of St. Martin (12) and the Cathedral (10) will be available from 3 to 5.15.—A. Padon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Eastbourne, on Saturday, February 25th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 (1/- per head), followed by the business meeting, when the Rev. Canon Whelpton has promised to preside. The bells of All Saints' are available 6 p.m., Christ Church 7.15 p.m. and St. Mary's 6-7 p.m.—Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. Div. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Fulney, Spalding, on Saturday, Feb. 25th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Dinner will be provided in Schoolroom adjoining church at 1 o'clock. Tickets 2/6 each. Bells (8) available all day.—George Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Exeter District Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Thorverton on Saturday, Feb. 25th. Bells available 2 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 (1/-). All ringers welcome.—J. C. Oke, Assist. Sec., 35, St. David's Hill, Exeter.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—The Half-yearly meeting will be held at Gillingham on Saturday, Feb. 25th. Bells available from 3 to 9. Short service at 5.30. If possible tea will be provided at a charge per head. Half fares up to 2/- will be paid to practising members. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due, and should be paid at or before the meeting. Look up Cambridge and Superlative.—Fred. M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend, Kent.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A Monthly meeting of the above will be held at Lenton on Saturday, Feb. 25th. Ringing from 4.30 to 8 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m. All are welcome.—T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Adwick-le-Street, on Saturday, Feb. 25th.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 25th, at Holy Trinity, South Shore (6 bells).—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 32, Ormond Avenue, Blackpool.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The pre-Lent meeting will be held at Chester-le-Street, on Saturday, February 25th. Tea will be provided (about 1/- per head) for all members who notify me by the 21st inst.—B. C. Dixon, Hon. Sec., 80, Fern Dene Road, Gateshead.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at East Malling, on Saturday, February 25th. Bells available at 3 o'clock, a short service at 5 o'clock. Tea provided by the Vicar and Churchwardens at 5.45. Business meeting after.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Dis. Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Staines (St. Peter's), on February 25th. Bells at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock, meeting to follow. St. Mary's bells also available.—H. F. Mills, Hon. Sec., 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Gloucester Branch.—Next meeting at Quedgley, Feb. 25. Bells (8) from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock at moderate charge. Visitors welcomed.—A. Allan Bennett, Hon. Sec., Newton House, London Road, Gloucester.

**BARLEY, HERTS.**—The dedication of the New Treble Bell will take place on Sunday, Feb. 26th, at 3 p.m. Bells (6). Tea will be provided for all who notify their intention of being present.—R. Howard, Church End, Barley, Royston, Herts.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Wigan Parish Church on Saturday, March 4th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting by arrangement. No ringing between 5 and 6 p.m. by request. A good attendance requested. All ringers welcome.—J. Halsall, Branch Sec., 97, Platt Lane, Hindley.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual Meeting will be held at Reigate on Saturday, March 4th. Bells open from 3 p.m. Service at 5.15. Tea at the Parish Hall, Lesbourne Road, at 6 p.m. Will those intending to be present kindly advise Mr. H. Ewins, of 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate, not later than Thursday, March 2nd? —Chas. Dean, Sec., 59, Wellesley Road, Croydon.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, March 4th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, March 4th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 5 to 8 p.m. Committee meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The Annual meeting of the above Guild will be held at Dudley on Saturday, March 4th. Bells available for 3 p.m. Service in the New Parish Hall, King Street, at 4 o'clock, which will be conducted by the President, the Rev. A. H. Phelps, M.A., R.D., who will also preside at the business meeting afterwards. A tea will be provided for those who notify me of their intention of being present not later than first post Tuesday, Feb. 28th, for which a small charge may be made.—Fred Colclough, Hon. Sec., 1, Earl Street, Bilston.

**OXFORD GUILD.**—Sonning Branch.—A combined practice will be held at St. Paul's, Wokingham, on Saturday, March 4th, from 6 till 9 p.m.—Jos. White.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Feltham on Saturday, March 4th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Will arrange tea at a reasonable charge for 5.30. Everyone is welcome.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at North Mymms on Saturday, March 4th. Bells available 2.45. Service at 5 p.m. Tea arrangements will be made. All ringers welcome.—Wm. Nash, Dist. Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—A Quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Newport Pagnell on Saturday, March 4th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—Walter Sear, Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The March meeting will be held at All Saints', Sheffield, on March 4th. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Wye on Saturday, March 11th. Bells available from 2 p.m.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A quarterly meeting of the above district will be held at Yorktown on Saturday, March 11th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and meeting in the Parish Room after service. Will all those intending to be present please notify me not later than Wednesday, March 8th? All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Owlsmore, Camberley.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on Saturday, March 11th. Bells ready at 3 punctually. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea (1/- per head) at 5.30; business meeting following. The bells of St. Mary's (10), Walthamstow, will be available for ringing from 7.30 to 9. I shall be glad if all who require tea will advise me by March 8th.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood St., E.17.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Kendal, on Saturday, March 11th. Bells (10) available all day. Tea at 4 o'clock, followed by business meeting. A good attendance of ringers is desired.—W. T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, second Monday, and St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

**RADLEY, BERKS.**—On Wednesday, Feb. 8th, 720' Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. Dyke 1, J. Honey 2, Mrs. A. E. Lock 3, F. S. Macey 4, A. E. Lock (conductor) 5, H. Humfrey 6. Also 720 Oxford Treble Bob: P. Dyke 1, J. Honey 2, H. Holfield 3, A. E. Lock 4, F. S. Macey 5, E. Humfrey (conductor) 6.



**PUBLICATIONS.**

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

HANDBELL MUSIC. — For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

**THE MEMORIAL TO MR. W. W. GIFFORD.**

Subscriptions to the fund for erecting a memorial to the late Mr. W. W. Gifford have been received as follows: Amount previously acknowledged, £3 16s.; Mr. G. N. Price, £2; Rev. Maitland Kelly, £1 1s.; Mr. G. F. Doel, 2s. 6d.; total, £6 10s. 6d.

Contributions should be sent to Mr. L. Harris, Britford, Salisbury, or Mr. F. W. Romaine, 41, Green Croft Street, Salisbury.

**'RINGING WORLD' WANTED.**

Will someone kindly forward me the 'Ringing World' for January 6th, 1922? Will secretaries and others also please note my present address for reports, etc.?—James George, 22, Sutton Street, Aston, Birmingham.

**ASSOCIATION SUBSCRIPTIONS.**

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—The Association subscription of 1s. was no use to an Association that held monthly meetings in each district before the war, and it should for financial safety in 1914 have been 1s. 6d., and in these days 2s. 6d. per annum. Even in 1914 there was more than one Association which had an annual subscription of 2s., the surplus being got rid of by paying for the tea. Ringers are all too prone to want their ringing kept up to date on nothing; one halfpenny per week won't hurt anyone.—Yours sincerely, ONCE A BEGINNER.

# BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**

LIMITED,

**COVENTRY.**

MAKERS SINCE 1730.

**RINGERS!**

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

**YORKSHIRE STONE.**

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

**PEAL CARDS, 3/6 Dozen.**

REPORT BOOKS, BALANCE SHEETS, RECEIPT BOOKS  
STATIONERY.

SUPPORT FELLOW RINGERS.

**GOOD**, The Ringers' Printers,  
Bros. D., 31, Prestonville Rd., Brighton.

# Clewellins

## & James, Ltd.,



**CHURCH BELLS SINGLY OR  
IN RINGS.**

Bell Frames in Cast Iron, Steel  
and Oak.

Bells tuned on the latest improved principles initiated by  
the late Canon Simpson.

# CASTLE GREEN

# BRISTOL



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ...	1	0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed, Hand-  
bells in sets Chromatic or Diatonic.

### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

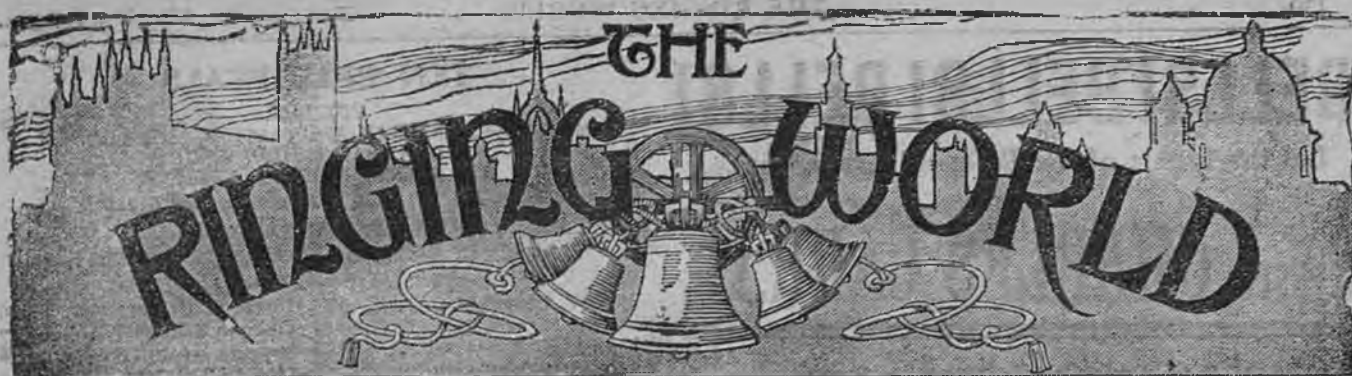
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 872. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, MARCH 3rd, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### FEASTS IN BRISTOL & BIRMINGHAM.

The success which has attended the dinners at Bristol and Birmingham on the last two Saturdays is another evidence of the value which ringers attach to the social side of their doings. The Birmingham proceedings have long been an established institution—this was the thirty-fourth of the series—which has developed into an almost national gathering; but that at Bristol was a new venture. The experiment, however, fully justified the undertaking, and, organised on lines which have proved popular elsewhere, met with an instantaneous success. The one drawback was that this year it was impossible to avoid holding the dinner close to the Johnson Commemoration, and no doubt it had the result of somewhat affecting the attendance at both. If and when the proposed Yorkshire gathering comes to be established, four such festivals will be provided for the Exercise, well distributed over the country, and an effort should be made to space them out over the winter season. Already the two old established dinners have more or less fixed dates. The College Youths hold their annual banquet in London early in November, the Johnson dinner is at the end of February. If Bristol and Sheffield could arrange their dates to avoid these for the future, as doubtless they will try to do, the Exercise could well maintain four festivals of this kind and make each of them a real success.

The Birmingham gathering fully upheld the prestige which it has justly earned, and drew together a representative gathering. Birmingham has always been a home of good ringing, but there has probably never been a time in its history when it possessed a better band of ringers than the men now associated with St. Martin's Church, and certainly there has never been a more enterprising and enthusiastic company in the Midland metropolis. One keynote of this success is the fraternal feeling which animates the members, and visitors to Birmingham cannot but notice the warm spirit of goodwill which permeates the Guild. The great tradition which is there associated with ringing is being worthily maintained, and behind that tradition is the memory of men like Henry Johnson. His life and work for ringing is an inspiration, and while it is possible and, indeed, probable, that this annual gathering would be carried out without anything to prompt it but the immediate enjoyment to be obtained, the association with it of the memory of a man who did so much for the science, who laboured patiently and without desire for fame, adds immeasurably to the interest of the occasion. Henry Johnson's name is one which will go down in ringing history with those of Stedman, Annable, Holt, Shipway and a handful of others; and it is well that we should be periodically reminded of what we, the ringers of to-day, owe to these men of the past.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway),

Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

FULHAM.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD, AND  
ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY, FULHAM.

On Thursday, Feb. 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANCES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

JAMES W. DRIVER ... .. 1	... Treble	*PERCY E. CLARK ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. WOOD ... .. 2		GEORGE C. ILES ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER ... .. 3		ARTHUR HARDING ... .. 8
FRED W. GOODFELLOW ... .. 4		HORACE BELCHER ... .. 9
WILLIAM E. JUDD ... .. 5		ARTHUR F. M. TURE ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. CHARGE. Conducted by J. W. DRIVER.  
\* First peal of Stedman Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. H. Hollier.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, CHELSEA,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANCES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

WILLIAM H. WOOD ... .. 1	... Treble	AMOS W. CLARK ... .. 6
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 2		*RALPH MACKRILL ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. DEAN ... .. 3		WILLIAM ESSERY ... .. 8
ERNEST A. REEVE ... .. 4		HARRY MANCE ... .. 9
WILLIAM H. JUDD ... .. 5		WILLIAM HEWSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by H. MANCE.  
\* First peal of Stedman Caters. The conductor's 50th peal.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANCES;**

Tenor 23 cwt. in E.

*EDWARD A. ETHERIDGE ... .. 1	... Treble	EDWARD RADDON ... .. 6
CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 2		*WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... .. 7
HENRY HUTTON ... .. 3		SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 8
ERNEST WEATHERBY ... .. 4		ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 9
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 5		†GEORGE PETER ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. T. DALTRY. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.  
\* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal on ten bells. Rung in honour of the Royal wedding, this being the nearest date upon which it was possible to ring a peal on the bells. The above band are all residents in Guildford.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NORTHOWRAM, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

*GEORGE BOTTOMLEY ... .. 1	... Treble	*HUBERT WRIGHT ... .. 5
ELI FARRAR ... .. 2		ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 6
WALTER BOTTOMLEY ... .. 3		JOE GREENWOOD ... .. 7
FIELDING CROSSLEY ... .. 4		ALBERT JAGGER ... .. Tenor

Composed by WM. SOTTANSTALL. Conducted by ALBERT JAGGER.  
Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to Edgar Bottomley, a former ringer, who died on active service. The ringer of the treble is 16 years of age. He was proposed a member of the Yorkshire Association prior to starting. \* First peal.

RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT.—At All Saints' Parish Church, on Tuesday, Feb. 7th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 50 minutes, with bells deeply muffled, as a token of respect to the late Bishop, James Macarthur, who took a very great interest in bell ringing and bell ringing, and was the first president of the I.W. district of the Winchester Diocesan Guild formed in December, 1920. The ringers taking part were: A. R. Ward (conductor) 1, P. S. Parker 2, G. H. Coombes 3, J. T. Tansom 4, P. Long 5, B. J. Snow 6, E. Hatcher 7, W. Kemp 8.



## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Feb. 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. Treble	ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 5
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 6
GEORGE WILSON... .. 3	WALTER C. HUNT ... .. 7
JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 4	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Arranged for the ringer of the 7th, who hails from Beeston, Notts.

## BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Feb. 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Illtyd,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

E. B. JAMES' IRREGULAR TEN-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

RICHARD EVANS... .. Treble	CHARLES H. PERRY ... .. 5
FRANK J. BAILEY ... .. 2	ALBERT J. PITMAN ... .. 6
*FREDERICK J. BAILEY ... .. 3	*FREDERICK ATWELL ... .. 7
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 4	BENJAMIN J. TOBY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. H. PERRY.

\* First peal of Triples. First peal as conductor. Ringers of 2nd and 3rd are from Whitchurch, 4th from Newport, Mon., 6th and 7th from Aberavon, the others are local men.

## BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, Feb. 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN ... Treble	*TOM CHAMBERS ... .. 5
†FRED CHAMBERS ... .. 2	*RICHARD H. STANCLIFFE... 6
*JOHN BLACKSHAW ... .. 3	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. 7
*TOM STANCLIFFE ... .. 4	*FRED BRADLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

\* First peal in the method. † First in the method with a bob bell. First in the method on the bells. All the above are regular service ringers at St. Michael's, and this is their first peal of Double Norwich.

## BOW, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Feb. 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary, Stratford, Bow,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. Treble	WILLIAM HEWITT ... .. 5
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## LEICESTER.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

(St. Margaret's Guild.)

On Thursday, Feb. 23, 1922, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb.

THOMAS BENT ... .. Treble	T. HENRY HARDY ... .. 5
ALFRED BALLARD ... .. 2	HERBERT LOCK ... .. 6
ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 7
JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 4	HARRY PEACH ... .. Tenor

Composer 'unknown.'

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

Rung on the front eight. First peal on the new bells and rung to mark the 192nd anniversary of the first peal on the old bells, viz., 5,040 Grandsire Triples on Feb. 23rd, 1730, the composition and details of which are unknown. It is nearly 20 years since a peal was rung at this church.

## PENKRIDGE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

*WILLIAM C. WILSON... .. Treble	EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... .. 5
JOHN WARRILOW ... .. 2	JOHN J. TAYLOR... .. 6
FRED BIRKS ... .. 3	HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 7
JOHN PERRY ... .. 4	*BERT WAKELAM... .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

\* First peal of Triples. Rung in honour of the marriage of the third daughter of the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. R. Littleton, of Hatherton Hall, Cannock, to Mr. Steward Sandbach Harrison, of Tiverton, Devon.

## LIVERPOOL.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. John the Baptist, Tuebrook,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

EDWARD CAUNCE... .. Treble	JOHN GARDNER ... .. 5
THOMAS HAMMOND, JUN. ... 2	*GEORGE R. NEWTON... .. 6
THOMAS W. GILMOUR... .. 3	JAMES MARTIN ... .. 7
HERBERT LODKIN ... .. 4	ARTHUR LINTOTT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

\* 10th peal as conductor. J. Gardiner hails from Aughton.

## MILVERTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM CHAPMAN ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM CROSS... .. 5
PERCY MERSON ... .. 2	ARCHIBALD ANDREWS ... .. 6
ROBERT SCOTT ... .. 3	JAMES HUNT ... .. 7
HENRY NORMAN ... .. 4	JOHN CARTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES HUNT.

\* First peal. The peal was rung to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. H. Norman's wedding day. The ringers of 2nd and 7th hail from Bishop's Hull.

## THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

*WALTER WHITEHEAD ... Treble	†REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 5
JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 2	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 6
ERNEST MORRIS... .. 3	ALFRED MARTIN ... .. 7
†ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. 4	LAURIE JACKSON... .. Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

\* First peal (age 14). Great credit is due to the youthful ringer of the treble for the way he rang throughout. † First peal of Stedman. Rung on the anniversary of the 10,080 Grandsire Caters at St. Margaret's, Leicester, Feb. 25th, 1777.

## WIDFORD, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F.

ARTHUR EDWARDS ... .. Treble	CYRIL PEASE ... .. 5
PERCY TIMSON ... .. 2	HENRY HEAD ... .. 6
THOMAS LINCOLN ... .. 3	†JOHN WOOD... .. 7
*LESLIE J. CLARK ... .. 4	ARTHUR HEAD ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by ARTHUR EDWARDS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Treble Bob.

RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT.—At All Saints' Parish Church, on Tuesday evening, Feb. 14th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 50 mins. by: A. Jackson 1, P. S. Parker 2, G. H. Coombes 3, A. R. Ward 4, P. Long 5, B. J. Snow 6, E. Hatcher (first quarter as conductor) 7, W. Kemp 8.



MANGOTSFIELD.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
(BRISTOL BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.

EDGAR GUISE ... .. Treble	FRED TYLER ... .. 5
PERCY C. WILLIAMS ... .. 2	HENRY T. HOWELL ... .. 6
*ERNEST PALMER ... .. 3	JOHN G. JEFFRIES ... .. 7
GILBERT WILTSHIRE ... .. 4	*THOMAS JAMES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN G. JEFFRIES.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells. A birthday compliment to Miss Peggy Guise, daughter of treble ringer.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

MILDENHALL, SUFFOLK.  
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 17 cwt.

THOMAS TAYLOUR ... .. Treble	*STANLEY FORWOOD ... .. 5
†MISS V. SHORTER ... .. 3	PERCY FORDHAM ... .. 6
REGINALD SHARPE ... .. 4	REGINALD LATHBURY ... .. 7
ALFRED TURNER ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by R. LATHBURY.

Rung with tenor covering, the band being short-handed for a peal of Grandsire Triples which had been intended. This peal was arranged as a welcome to the Bishop of the Diocese, who was paying an informal visit to the parish, and who preached twice in the Parish Church on the Sunday following. \* First peal. † First peal of Minor.

TONG, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of College Exercise, City Delight, Arnold's Victory, College Pleasure, Duke of York, Violet and Oxford. Tenor 12 cwt.

H. N. TOWLER ... .. Treble	J. PEACOCK ... .. 4
T. LATIMER ... .. 2	JOHN THACKRAY ... .. 5
E. ODDY ... .. 3	JOE THACKRAY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ED. ODDY.

Rung on the 39th anniversary of the peal of 25 twelve-scores rung in the above tower. The ringers of 1st and 3rd hail from Tong, 2nd from Bramley, and 4th, 5th and 6th from Armley.

UPTON BISHOP, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Feb. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

CHRIS. BOWERS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 4
DAVID HORNE ... .. 2	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 5
E. WILLIAM TURNER ... .. 3	GEORGE JORDAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. CAMM.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

being 720 College Single, and two 720's each of Oxford Bob, Plain Bob and Canterbury Pleasure. Tenor 20 cwt.

*REGINALD BUTCHERS ... Treble	ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. 4
REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... 2	ALBERT RELFE ... .. 5
GEORGE WAGHORN ... .. 3	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, SEN. ... Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT RELFE.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Frederick J. Lambert, sen.

DOWN AMTNEY, GLOS.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, Feb. 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of 10 six-scores of Grandsire and 32 of St. Dunstan's, each called differently.

WILFRED G. COOK (R.A.F.) Treble	W. C. CUSS (R.A.O.C.) ... 3
J. BUTLER (Berks Regt. ... 2	*W. HAYWARD (Glos. Regt.) 4

FRANCIS J. LEWIS (R.G.A.) Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM C. CUSS.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells. The above are all ex-service men who served in the great war.

DISEWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven different 720's. Tenor 11½ cwt.

WILLIAM THORLEY ... .. Treble	EDWARD JOYCE ... .. 4
RICHARD PAINE ... .. 2	HARRY WHITTLE ... .. 5
JOHN W. BOOTH ... .. 3	ALBERT JOYCE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY WHITTLE.

First peal of Plain Bob on the bells.

HITCHAM, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANOSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 6 cwt. 6 lb.

MISS ELSIE JAMES ... .. Treble	HARRY WEBB ... .. 4
THOMAS GROOM ... .. 2	GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE ... 5
GEORGE J. BERRY ... .. 3	WILLIAM CARTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. H. GUTTERIDGE.

Rung by the Hitcham ringers as a wedding compliment to Miss Hanbury (daughter of Col. Hanbury, of Hitcham House, the donor of the bells) and Captain Riley, the wedding having taken place at Hitcham Church on February 2nd.

THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Differently arranged. Tenor 17½ cwt.

JOHN D. WRIGHT ... .. Treble	TOM ATKINS ... .. 3
*FREDK. E. WILSON ... .. 2	*HERBERT V. HURD ... .. 4
FRED COTTON ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by F. COTTON.

\* First peal. Rung to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the rehanging of the bells.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

viz., Kent, Oxford and Worcester Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

MISS CECIL HEPBURN ... Treble	TOM TEBBUTT ... .. 4
*MISS DOROTHY ATKINS ... 2	THOMAS GARLEY ... .. 5
WALTER T. WILSON ... .. 3	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal comprising more than one method.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

The 'St. Clement's Youths' met on Tuesday and rang in celebration of the Royal wedding.

## COLLEGE YOUTHS IN SCOTLAND.

### A GATHERING OF THE CLANS AT PAISLEY.

The Bristol chaps were dining; mayhap they wined as well—not too well; oh no—the Birmingham laddies were about to dine, and someone would speak a few kind words about the old friends gathered around. Some of those who listened at the last dinner, however, would not be there; some were too far away, some do not own a contrivance called a 'Ford's magic carpet' or 'rubber bus'; such as one in South Lincs which will always hold one more when it's full; so we could not dine with 'em. But just to show we felt the fever up here in Scotland we thought we would hold harmony on our own. The word went forth to the 'boys,' 'The Ancient Society of College Youths will meet at St. James', Paisley, on February 18th, for a peal and a 'bit of a do,' and behold, five—no less—good youths and true turned up and made the welkin ring in Paisley town. Three members had to be made, but that was soon done, and three of the best were entered.

The band stood: A. J. Rodger, of Paisley, 1; J. Bevan, late of Woolwich, 2; R. J. G. Thorn, late of Edinburgh, 3; T. O'Hara, of Sheffield, 4; R. Carter, late of Woolwich, 5; J. Holman, of Sheffield, 6; A. E. Wrecks, the Paisley captain, late of Manchester, 7; and he, with the coat of many colours, beat the drum. That was only fitting, as the coat of many hues matched the shawl, the 'toun' is noted for. Friend Wrecks called the bobs, and all went well for 58 minutes; then he had to call the bells round owing to a change course. The writer thinks the graceless ones must have been thinking they were at Bristol, playing a game known in Sheffield and Hull as 'upsher' (goes again). Anyhow, 'twas a good try, and then we rang what was probably the first touch of Stedman on the bells, and the first two courses of Kent Six; then an attempt for 504 Grand-sire, and we finished. All credit goes to the treble man who only started change ringing three months ago. Mr. Thorn had done no ringing for years, and has been kind enough to come out and help to get the learners on a bit, and Messrs. Bevan and Carter ('the heavenly twins,' I think they are known as) had not rung for many years, but we are trying again, and we shall score yet.

Now, we could not adjourn to the Coffee Pot, nor to the Bristol dinner, so Friend Wrecks took us under his wing, and invited us to put our legs under his hospitable board—no bad board say you, if only you know the legs some of the band are blessed with. We feasted like only ringers can feast, on a feast only ringers' wives know how to spread. Then we rang the dust off our handbell ringing abilities, with courses of Grandsire Triples, Major and Caters, Bob Major, and a concoction known in the Black Country as the 'Scolding Bitch'—if you don't know what it is just ask Messrs. Short, Bass and Matthews. We tried Kent, but we never made up our minds whether it was a man of Kent or a Kentish man, and train time came all too soon, and brought hearty votes of thanks to Host and Hostess Wrecks for a most enjoyable day, and what was probably the first College Youths' re-union held in Scotland since the famous days when the society rang the first peals at Leith and Inverness. J. E. S.

## BARNSELEY & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting was held at Horbury, on Saturday, Feb. 11th, at the Parish Church, a good muster of members assembled. The bells were kept going from 3 to 9 p.m., with an interval for meeting and touches of Major and Minor were rung in a great variety of methods. Tea was partaken of in the Tithe Barn Sunday Schools (schools, by the way, that at one time were the Sunday Schools for all the children of the place, and this within living memory). The local ringers and their smiling wives provided tea at a pre-war price, and there is much homely charm in such a gathering.

The Vicar (the Rev. F. B. Hill) occupied the chair for the business meeting. The deferred balance sheet for 1921 was placed before the meeting. This showed a loss of £3 on the year's working, and cash in bank £7 8s. 11d. This was considered satisfactory and passed. On the motion of the auditors, Messrs. G. Hunt and C. Smith. Alan Cuban (Sandal), W. Mitchell (Horbury) were elected members, and the Rev. F. B. Good (Vicar of Wath) was elected an hon. member.—A hearty vote of thanks to the ladies was passed with acclamation, and also a vote of thanks to the Vicar for presiding, whose pointed acceptance was 'Cum aggean.'

## LATE NOTICE.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Guilsborough District.—A quarterly meeting of the above will be held at East Haddon, on Saturday, March 11th. Bells available 2.30. Will those requiring tea please let me know by the 7th.—William Bott, Dist. Sec., Guilsborough.

## A RINGERS' DIRECTORY.

### To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—This is a subject in which I have been interested for a long time. About twenty years ago, when I was secretary for Dorset, I sent round to every clergyman in the county a form asking for the number of bells, their condition, the names of the ringers, stating whether they were round ringers or change ringers, or whether they held certificates, and the address of the secretary, the methods practised, and the day and hour of the weekly practice. All this information I published in so concise a form that it showed that a directory on those lines for the whole country would not be either a large or costly undertaking.

This could be carried out by all the Ringing Associations arranging to get you to print that part of their report, first separately for each Association, and then together for the whole country. A few pages could be added for matters worthy of special record each year, making it a publication which every ringer would wish to possess, especially as his own name would appear in it.

The completion of this particular report was, I believe, the greatest fillip to change ringing that it ever had in that county. The sending of the form to churches where there were no bells, or no ringable bells, put it into people's heads that there was something here that they might do for their parish; while the inquiry about change-ringers started a number of ringing companies which are now well established.

I do not propose that such an inquiry should be sent out every year to each parish. As a usual thing it would only be sent by the secretaries to parishes where there were ringers, but once every five or ten years it should be sent out to the wider area.

This proposal would in some ways lighten the work of secretaries. Your proposal would considerably add to that work, and I for one should not care to undertake it.—Yours faithfully, H. DRAKE.

Ufford Rectory, Woodbridge, Suffolk.

## THE EFFECTIVE METHOD.

Dear Sir,—In my youth, now unfortunately a thing of the past, my parents presented me with a copy of those famous works known as 'Æsop's Fables,' and one fable impressed itself on my memory. Its moral was that the gods help those who help themselves. Now, when I do take a fit into my head to ramble off, my thoughts naturally turn to where I am going to get a pull, and so far 'Directories' have never helped me much. I have always been able to find as much ringing as I wanted by a little judicious perusal of that little paper 'The Ringing World,' which no real ringer is without—those who are too mean or too idle to buy it are not real ringers. When I want to ring in any specified district I look at the page containing 'Notices of Meetings,' and note the name and address of the secretary whose activities cover the district I am going to, and he has never failed to do the rest. All talk of Directories is useless. I wonder if the very good Directory published by the Association which covers Mr. Baker's district is really of much use to a casual visitor. I say that any ringer who really wants a ring can get it by saving 'The Ringing World' for five or six weeks and looking up the Sunday Service ringing, and the addresses therein, and he will obtain all he wants. The 'Bell News' published an exhaustive Directory, but a great percentage of it was of no use when printed. The only effective way to get ringing is watch the paper, and make careful note of the chief Sunday ringing centres, and then make for them. The rest will be easy.—Yours sincerely,

ONCE A BEGINNER.

## LEEDS & DISTRICT SOCIETY.

On Saturday, February 25th, the Leeds and District Amalgamated Society held its usual monthly meeting at Pudsey, and a good many members were present. Ringers were present from Rotherham, Armley, Idle, Birstall, Bradford, Calverley, Tong, Leeds Parish Church, Mirfield, Bramley, and the local company. The tower bells were kept going up to a late hour in Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Superlative Surprise. Touches of Grandsire Major and Caters, Stedman Triples and Caters, Treble Bob Minor, Major and Royal, were rung on handbells.

The meeting was held at the White Cross Hotel, Mr. J. Pencock being in the chair.—A vote of condolence was solemnly expressed by all present standing as a mark of respect and esteem to the memory of Mr. P. Cooper, late hon. secretary of the Western District of the Yorkshire Association, whose death occurred during the week, and who was laid to rest on the same afternoon.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Armley, if the bells are available, as they are at present in the hands of Messrs. Taylor and Co., who are rehauling and augmenting the peal to eight.

Mr. George Bolland proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and the local company for their kind arrangements and generous hospitality. A supply of refreshments was at the disposal of the visitors during the afternoon and evening.

### CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. STOCKPORT BRANCH.

The annual meeting of the Branch was held at Norbury on Saturday, February 11th. After ringing during the afternoon a short service was held in the church, conducted by the curate (the Rev. A. C. Waggett, L.Th.). An address, given by the Vicar (the Rev. A. J. Humphreys) on co-operation, was much appreciated. A splendid tea was provided in the Schoolroom, to which about 70 members and friends (representing 15 towers) sat down. The business meeting followed, with Mr. J. H. Jackson (Disley) in the chair, supported by the hon. secretary, and the Rev. A. J. Humphreys. On opening the meeting, the Chairman, on behalf of the members, expressed his sympathy to Mr. T. Jackson (the esteemed towerkeeper of St. George's, Stockport), on his recent bereavement, and a two minutes' silence was observed, all standing.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT.

In the course of his report for 1921, the Hon. Secretary stated, that although progress had not been made to his entire satisfaction, the prospects of the present year were much brighter, and it was to be hoped that a better report would be presented at the next annual meeting. Nine peals had been rung, two only of which were on eight bells, the remainder being Minor. There was a slight falling off in membership, which was now 174, as against 189 for 1920. Five meetings had been held, with an average attendance of fifty. Appropriate reference was made to the late Mr. George Astbury, of St. George's, Stockport, whose death took place early in the year.

All the officers were re-elected. On his re-election, the Hon. Secretary thanked the members, but asked them seriously to think over and look out for a successor. With increasing years, he found his work, instead of diminishing, was really increasing, and he found it more difficult to carry out his duties as he wished.

Hayfield was fixed as the place for the next meeting, to be held on Saturday, April 22nd. Two honorary members and four ringing members were elected.

A matter which was brought up for discussion, and which it was decided to consider between now and the next meeting, was the question of combined practices and quarterly peals.

The usual votes of thanks concluded the meeting, after which further ringing took place, the bells of St. George's, Stockport, being also available.

### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. ROCHDALE BRANCH MEETING.

The monthly meeting of the Rochdale Branch was held on Saturday week at St. Mark's Church, Glodwick, and proved an event of exceptional interest, as it was the occasion of the unveiling and dedication of a peal board installed by the local band in commemoration of a peal of Grandsire Triples they recently rang to the memory of the men of the parish who made the supreme sacrifice in the great war. Prior to this very impressive ceremony the branch members present from East Crompton, Middleton, Milnrow, Newhey, Oldham, Glodwick, Miles Platting and Pendleton, rang touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Kent Treble Bob and Bob Major.

Mr. J. Whitworth (churchwarden) formally unveiled the peal board. The Vicar (the Rev. W. R. Hick-Canton, M.A.) dedicated the memorial.

The customary business meeting was then held, presided over by Mr. S. Stott (chairman of the branch).—It was decided to leave the arrangements for next month's meeting in the hands of the secretary (Mr. T. K. Driver).

Mr. John Smith (of Middleton) was elected a performing member of the Association, and the meeting concluded with resolutions of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the local ringers for having everything in readiness. Ringing was then resumed until about 9 p.m.

A meeting of the Preston Branch was held at Hoghton on Feb. 11th, and was well attended, over 30 members putting in an appearance, and making good use of the handy ring of eight. One lady ringer was present belonging to the local company.

The business meeting was held under the chairmanship of Mr. J. T. Miller. One new member was elected, and a vote of condolence with the family of the late Mr. Robert Fisher was carried by members present standing in silence.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the authorities for the use of the bells, also to the local company for having everything in readiness.

Standard methods were rung during the afternoon and evening, the towers represented being Leyland Parish and St. James', Whittle, Brindle, Chorley, Standish, Penwortham, Preston, and visitors from Blackburn.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**in Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Six of the bells from Sheffield Cathedral reached the Whitechapel Foundry on Friday. The whole of the ring of twelve is to be tuned (one or two of them recast), and the lot rehung. Sheffield will have a worthy peal when its bells are reinstated.

An attempt was made at St. Paul's Cathedral on Saturday for a peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus, Mr. Alf. Peck turning the tenor in single-handed. Unfortunately the peal came to grief, after 2 hrs. 35 minutes' ringing.

Another 12-bell peal in the city also came to an untimely end on Saturday. The Middlesex Association attempted a peal of Stedman Cinques at Bow, Cheapside, and when things were going well, with only four courses left to ring, the 8th rope hung up, and the bells had to stop. Ringing had been in progress about 3 hrs. 15 mins. Mr. James George was the tenor man, and this, we believe, is the longest time that the tenor (53 cwt.) has been rung by a man 68 years of age.

A peal recorded last week as rung at Kirton, Leicestershire, was rung at Kirton, Lincolnshire.

The clapper buffers which Mr. J. E. Groves, of Birmingham, has put on the market is the result of a deal of experiment to find something reliable and cheap, and easy to adjust to any clapper. It improves the tone of the bells by retaining the vibration of the hum note, after the clapper has struck.

On March 3rd, 1778, a peal of 10,260 Grandsire Caters was rung at St. Mary's, Nottingham, and on the same day in the year 1886 an 8,448 Kent Treble Bob was rung in 5 hours 16 minutes at Bethnal Green. Mr. Ted Horrex is a survivor of this latter band.

Next Wednesday will be the anniversary of 12,603 Grandsire Caters rung at Norwich in 8 hours 15 minutes on March 8th, 1737, and on March 8th, 1859, 10,047 Stedman Caters was rung at Aston in 6 hours 16 minutes.

Mr. Tom Russam has attended every Johnson Commemoration Dinner. He is the only one who has been present at all of the 34 gatherings.

The peal of Treble Bob Minor, at Emberton, published last week, was rung on January 29th, 1921, not 1922. Our correspondent, who forwarded the report, informs us that he had mislaid it in his desk. The ringer of the 41th in the peal at Batheaston was George Jones, not James, as published.

## MINOR IN THE CITY OF LONDON.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—The headline to the paragraph on page 119 of 'The Ringing World' last week, 'First Surprise Minor peal in the City,' may appear rather misleading. The first peal of Surprise Minor rung in the City of London was rung on the front six of the peal of ten at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on November 19th, 1901, by the Middlesex County Association (Leytonstone band), conducted by T. Hervey Beams. I myself took part in it.

The footnote to the peal at St. Olave's on the 15th inst., is, however, quite in order, giving it as the 'first peal of Surprise Minor at a six-bell tower in the City of London.' I apologise for omitting to mention this first peal when sending my report.—Yours truly,  
W. MILLER.

## A REMARKABLE SET OF HANDBELLS.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—According to a local evening paper, Manchester possesses one of the most unique sets of handbells in the world. It says, 'Immediately below the mechanically-propelled carillon in the tower hall tower, which chimes out "Home, Sweet Home" as you pore over the office ledgers, there is a peal of ten handbells. These bells, varying in weight from the treble (7 cwt. 3 quarters) to the tenor (52 cwt.) are skillfully manipulated by twelve members of the City police force.'

Five men are generally considered sufficient to ring ten handbells, but I am not surprised that twelve are required in this case, even though the force, we all know, comprises a large number of stalwart and abnormally strong men.

The writer in the newspaper goes on to say that he visited the tower one practice night, and the practice began on a peal of six bells. The peal was not once repeated, and notes were sounded at the rate of 200 per minute.

The above may be of interest to some of your readers.—Yours, etc.,  
Pendleton, A. W.

## THANKS.

Dear Sir,—Will you please allow me to thank those members of the Exercise who sent me the copy of 'The Ringing World' of Jan. 6th? I appreciate their kindness.—Yours, etc.,  
J. GEORGE.  
22, Sutton Street, Aston, Birmingham.

## JOHNSON COMMEMORATION DINNER.

## ENJOYABLE GATHERING AT BIRMINGHAM.

All the success and enjoyment which have attended the long series of Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinners, arranged by St. Martin's Guild, once more marked this annual gathering at Birmingham on Saturday. If the numbers were not quite so large as usual, due principally to the present industrial depression, there was no lack of enthusiasm, and the Midland metropolis was the Mecca for ringers from many parts of the country. During the afternoon the famous peal in the Bull Ring formed the attraction for visitors, and the bells at St. Philip's Cathedral were also rung.

The party, numbering about 140, gathered at six o'clock in the handsome cedar-lined dining hall of the Imperial Hotel, and enjoyed an admirably served six course dinner. In the absence, through indisposition, of Canon E. Grose Hodge, Rector of Birmingham, the chair was taken by Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A., B.C.L., Presiding Ringing Master, whose genial conduct of the proceedings greatly added to the pleasure. He was supported by Sir Edward Malins, Messrs. J. J. Kendall and Fred W. Blake (churchwardens of St. Martin's), Mr. J. W. Tilley, J.P., Mr. W. Ralph Heaton, Mr. G. N. Ediss, Mr. Pryce Taylor (Loughborough Bell Foundry), Mr. A. Paddon Smith (hon. secretary), and Mrs. Paddon Smith, Mr. Harry Mason, Mr. A. E. Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Goldsmith. Among the company, which included a considerable number of ladies, were Messrs. John Carter, J. H. Shepherd, W. Kent and Tom Russam (vice-presidents), Mr. Albert Walker (Ringing Master) and Mrs. Walker, Mr. Chas. Dickens (trustee), Messrs. J. L. Wells and T. H. Reeves (auditors), Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Groves, Mr. Joseph Johnson (younger son of Henry Johnson), Mr. A. A. Hughes (Messrs. Mears and Stainbank), Mr. O. Dean (representing Messrs. Gillett and Johnston), Messrs. H. R. Newton, J. Rowbottom and W. J. Kemp (representing the Ancient Society of College Youths), Messrs. G. Holmes, W. Bargar, J. Thorpe, R. Harrison, C. Harrison, H. Thorpe, F. Ward, H. Naylor and T. Lee (of the Sheffield Cathedral company), Messrs. F. Cope (Lichfield), T. J. Salter (Kidderminster), W. Maund and J. H. White (Coventry), H. W. Wilde (Pulford), S. Burton and H. Broughton (Leicester), J. Oldham (Loughborough), W. Griffin (Walsall), W. Short (Cient), B. Gough (Tipton), and ringers from numerous churches around Birmingham, as well as from the city itself. The menu card was again an interesting souvenir of the occasion, and was liberally besprinkled with apt quotations.

After dinner the toast of 'The King' was proposed by Sir Edward Malins, in a most interesting speech, in which he touched informatively upon historical facts, and concluded by alluding to the enthusiasm and courage shown by the Prince of Wales in making his trip to India, and expressing congratulations to Princess Mary upon her wedding.

The toast was heartily drunk and the National Anthem sung.

## THE RECTOR'S DISAPPOINTMENT.

The Hon. Secretary read several letters of apology. The Rector of Birmingham wrote that he was tightly shut up with only half a voice. It was a desperate disappointment to him, for the gathering was one of the most delightful of the year. He added: 'I beg you to say to the members of our Guild and to our guests generally that nothing short of absolute necessity would have kept me away. I shall think of the feast of reason and flow of soul at the Imperial Hotel, and lament that another year must pass before I can again share it.'

Apologies were also received from the Bishop of Birmingham, the Rev. J. B. Mayall (curate of St. Martin's), Mr. W. H. Golden (vice-president), Mr. James George (who was taking part in a peal attempt at Bow), Mr. J. Buffery, the 'father' of the Guild, in point of years of membership (who was in hospital), and from the veteran, Mr. William Rock Small, who wrote that he had been compelled since his 82nd birthday to take things much easier, and dare not get away from home in the dark nights. He was also, he added, compelled to leave bell ringing alone, and he thought he had rung his last peal. He should miss seeing some of his old friends, whom he was afraid he might not meet again.

Before calling on Mr. J. J. Kendall to propose the toast of 'The Church and State,' the Chairman tendered to Mr. Kendall the most cordial and sincere congratulations of the company upon his having passed the 50th anniversary of his wedding day. The happy event took place on the previous Monday, and that day was also Mr. Kendall's 73rd birthday. The Guild had celebrated the occasion by ringing a specially composed peal of 5,050 Stedman Cinques (applause). They all hoped Mr. and Mrs. Kendall would live to celebrate their diamond wedding in due course (applause).

Mr. Kendall thanked the Chairman for his kind words. Their wedding day was rather a sad one in a sense, for his wife had to spend it in bed, and had been there ever since. He thought it was

the result of the trying time they had when the members of St. Martin's Church gave them a reception at the Grand Hotel. The events of that evening overcame her.

Proceeding to the toast which he had to propose, Mr. Kendall said they were all loyal members of the Church and State, and as they had now become partners, as it were, with the clergy in the management of the Church, he thought they would more fully realise their responsibilities. These were times when the State as well as the Church needed their support, and he hoped they would realise their responsibilities. These were times when the State as well as the Church needed the popularity of the Church.

## 'THE MEMORY OF HENRY JOHNSON.'

To Mr. A. E. Parsons was entrusted the task of proposing the toast of the evening: 'The Memory of the late Henry Johnson,' and he did it in felicitous phrases. So much, he remarked, had been said at those dinners by men who knew Henry Johnson far better than he did, that it was impossible to say anything that was new. Others had spoken of his life and work in glowing but truthful terms, of his honour and his integrity, his humour and his kindness of heart, and his quick perception of all things appertaining to matters campanological. Whatever interest he (the speaker) might fail to arouse among them that evening, he was sure they would all desire to keep Henry Johnson in memory and revere his name. There was little that he could add in the way of personal anecdote, but there was one occasion, about the year 1879 or 1880, when Old Hill bells had been in for about five years, that a band came from Birmingham to attempt a peal on them. He (the speaker) was a young enthusiast then, and he determined to see the ringers and hear the ringing. He placed himself near the church about the time they were to arrive, and well remembered seeing them come down the road. With them was a venerable old gentleman, wearing a silk hat. He thought to himself, 'St. Martin's ringers must be a lot of swells, for they have evidently brought their parson with them.' The venerable old gentleman with a silk hat turned out to be Henry Johnson. A few years later another band came there from St. Martin's, and another Henry Johnson was with them—Henry Johnson, junior—and singularly enough he was wearing a silk hat. It occurred to him (the speaker) that should a further band from St. Martin's contemplate going over to Old Hill for a peal they might bring the other son of Henry Johnson, who was with them that night, and possibly old Joe would come wearing a silk hat (laughter). Continuing, Mr. Parsons said they had from time to time heard so much of what Henry Johnson had done in so many ways, he wondered if they had ever given a thought to what would have been the position if Henry Johnson had never lived. What would have been the position of St. Martin's Guild to-day? What would have been the ringing reputation of the Midland metropolis? Would they have been able to boast of such an honourable personage as their present chairman as Presiding Ringing Master, would they have been able to boast of such a secretary as Mr. Paddon Smith, would they have boasted of such ringers as occupied the tower to-day, would they have boasted of such a fine record of peals as the peal book in the belfry contained? He did not think so. If they thought of these things, he believed it would add more than ever to their desire to honour the name of Henry Johnson, who was the root basis of much that existed to-day appertaining to ringing in Birmingham (applause).

The toast was honoured in silence, and at the request of the chairman those present who knew Mr. Johnson personally again rose in their places. They numbered 23, and Alderman Pritchett said he was glad to know that there were so many with them that night who had managed to live for forty years after the death of their old friend.

An excellent course of Stedman Cinques was rung on handbells at this point by members of the Guild: T. Russam, A. Walker, P. Laffin, J. E. Groves, G. F. Swann and J. Neal.

## A REVIEW.

Ald. Pritchett next proposed 'Continued Prosperity to St. Martin's Guild,' and in doing so made his customary review of the past year's doings of the society. He expressed the regret which they all shared that they had lost, by death, two members whom they respected and esteemed. Mr. Raymond J. Wilkins, of Bristol, was a life member of the Guild, and a frequent visitor to the tower of St. Martin's Church. His wife and son were both ringers, and he himself was a most enthusiastic and able member of the Exercise. The other was Mr. William Cheshire, who often entertained them at his beautiful residence and grounds at Erdington. He was an honorary member of the Guild for many years, and always a liberal subscriber to their funds. He (the speaker) was glad that this list was a short one, and that these were the only losses they had sustained, but they regretted the absence of several old friends that night whom they had been accustomed to see there year by year, and who would have been with them that night had they been able. He was sure, however, they were with them in spirit. The first was their dear old friend, William Rock Small. He believed he had missed that gather-

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.



ing only once before, but he was afraid there was little hope of seeing him there again. He trusted, however, that he would be spared for many years yet, and that those ringers who lived near him would look in and cheer him up from time to time. Mr. Buffery, they were sorry to hear, was in hospital, and they hoped he would have a speedy recovery. The only other name which he would mention was that of Mr. W. H. Godden, who was also on the sick list. While they regretted the loss of two valued members of the Guild, and the absence of several others, he thought they could congratulate themselves upon the success of the gathering, and upon the fact that everybody who counted in the Exercise was present there that night (laughter). They were very pleased to see their old friend, John Carter (applause), leaving for the moment his mansion in Park Lane (laughter), and condescending to come down to Birmingham to join them. They hoped, however wealthy he might become, that he would never be too proud to mix with them on these festive occasions (laughter). They were also pleased to see with them Mr. Banks, whom they congratulated upon having reached his 74th birthday on the previous day. He also noticed present his old friend, and one of his earliest associates in change ringing, Mr. William Short, who had done so much to spread the knowledge of the art and practice of change ringing throughout the length and breadth of the land. And last, he was glad to note they had with them the son of the grand old veteran, whose memory they were commemorating, Mr. Joseph Johnson (applause). It added something to the interest of the gathering that a son of Mr. Johnson should be present (applause).

#### A SPLENDID RECORD.

The Guild, continued the Chairman, had a very prosperous and successful year during 1921. The practices at St. Martin's had been well attended, especially those in the higher methods, viz., Cambridge and London. The number of peals rung in 1921 was a record for the Guild, viz., 46 (applause): Grandsire Triples 3, Caters 1, Bob Major 2, London Surprise Major 1, Double Norwich Major 1, Stedman Triples 5, Caters 5, Cinques 17, Treble Bob Royal 2, Maximus 2, Cambridge Surprise Major 2, Royal 2, Maximus 2. A splendid record. Both the peals of Treble Bob Maximus were on handbells, the first of them being the first ever rung on handbells in Birmingham. Among the things which they treasured in St. Martin's belfry was a photograph of a band, who, 34 years ago, rang the first handbell peal of Stedman Cinques in Birmingham. Most happily five of them were still alive, and four were with them that night (applause). It was singular to mention that Tom Miller, who took part in that peal 34 years ago, never rang another peal of Stedman Cinques on handbells until last Thursday. They were glad he had taken it up again, and hoped he would now ring many more. A notable incident of the year's work had been the two peals of Cambridge Maximus, both called by Mr. Walker. One was the first peal of Cambridge Maximus ever rung in Birmingham, and made the seventh method rung on the twelve bells of St. Martin's. He believed a peal of Double Norwich Maximus was now in contemplation (applause). He would like to mention that Mr. Harry Withers had further distinguished himself as a carillonneur, and his fame was growing worldwide. In January he went to Norway to open a carillon of 22 bells, and on Tuesday he was to go to London to operate a carillon specially erected at Harrods to be used as part of the celebrations in honour of the marriage of Princess Mary (applause). In conclusion, he desired to say how pleased he was to be present on that occasion, and they were greatly indebted to all who had taken a part in making the preparations. He invited them to drink to the continued prosperity of St. Martin's Guild, and he coupled with it the name of one with whom that prosperity was greatly bound up, their most invaluable secretary, Mr. Paddon Smith (applause).

Mr. Paddon Smith, who was warmly received on rising to respond, said it was a great pleasure to him, as it was to all the other members of the Guild who had assisted in arranging that function, to know that they were all so happy. With regard to the two peals of Cambridge Maximus, visitors to the tower that afternoon might have noticed the new tablet that had just been placed there to record the first of the peals. That was one of the things the Guild did to embellish the part of the church in which they were more particularly interested, and in doing that they were carrying on the tradition of the Guild (applause).

#### 'KINDRED SOCIETIES.'

Mr. Ralph Heaton submitted the toast of 'Kindred Societies,' and said that they of St. Martin's Guild were glad on that occasion to reciprocate some of the kindnesses that they received from the members of other societies throughout the kingdom. He added that it was well for them to remember that the Exercise had had amongst its members not only composers, ringers and conductors like Stedman, Annable, Holt, Johnson, Carter, Lindoff, and a host of others, but they had included men of high position in the Church and State. Sir Matthew Hale, who lived in the days of Charles I. and II., and

became Lord Chief Justice of the Court of King's Bench, was a ringer; Admiral Francis Geary, who in 1760 commanded the Grand Fleet of those days, rang, when about 17 years of age, with the College Youths in the first peal of twelve, which was rung at St. Bride's about 1750. Coming to later times, they had had men like Canon Ellacombe, Lord Justice Cherry, and Sir Arthur Heywood. The visitors whom they had with them that night came from London, Coventry, Leicester, Lichfield, Wednesbury, West Bromwich, Sheffield, Loughborough, Bournemouth, Kidderminster, and other places, and they also had among them the representatives of three of the biggest of their bell foundries.

Mr. A. A. Hughes, who first responded, said he spoke more for the London Society of the College Youths, who looked up to St. Martin's Guild as being one with them in upholding everything that was good in 12-bell ringing (applause). They had a very warm feeling in their heart for Birmingham men. They sometimes saw them in London, and were always glad to welcome them. While they maintained their great traditions they were doing the best that could be done for the art of change ringing (applause).

Mr. R. Harrison (Sheffield) also replied, and expressed appreciation of the way in which the visitors had been received. They always looked on St. Martin's as being at the head of ringing in the Midlands, and one of their late leaders was a frequent visitor to Birmingham—Mr. C. H. Hattersley. They hoped in the near future to inaugurate in Sheffield something on the lines of that gathering by which they might honour the memory of Mr. Hattersley. Mr. Snowdon, and other of their Yorkshire worthies. But for the industrial position of the past few years this would already have been done, but he hoped the time was not far distant when steps to carry out the proposal might be possible. They congratulated the Bristol men upon having already beaten them in that particular effort.

Mr. Harry Mason proposed 'The Ringing World,' and pointed out the importance of the journal in maintaining the interest of the Exercise. Without a ringing journal, he said, such a gathering as the Johnson Dinner would be hardly possible, while, apart from the value of having a paper by which they could keep abreast of the happenings in the Exercise, it was most interesting sometimes to go back over the papers of past years and re-read many of the things which had appeared. If for any reason they were to be left without a paper, even for a few months, the effect would be lamentable. He, therefore, urged every ringer to do their utmost to maintain a ringing paper, and do their best to make it a success. 'The Ringing World,' he knew, had a warm place in the heart of all those present, and he hoped they would do all in their power to help it forward (applause).

#### A GIFT TO ST. MARTIN'S.

Mr. J. S. Goldsmith (Editor) responded to the toast, and thanked the Guild for the very kind reception always extended to him and to his wife when they came amongst them. Proceeding, Mr. Goldsmith asked the Guild to accept from him a framed photograph which commemorated a memorable tour by members of St. Martin's Guild in the year 1901. The photograph, the only one in existence, was of a group taken on board the s.s. Cambria immediately after the ringing of the only peal upon the sea. It was rung on the last day of an excursion to Ireland while the boat was crossing from Dublin to Holyhead, and the picture was taken as the boat came into harbour. The photograph which had been in his possession for many years had always recalled incidents of a most interesting and pleasurable tour, in the course of which the first peal of Treble Ten in Ireland was placed to the credit of St. Martin's Guild, as well as the first Surprise peal ever rung out of England, which he had the privilege of calling, two peals of Stedman Caters in Dublin, and a peal on handbells, in addition to the one on the sea, while the trip finished with the first Surprise peal in Wales. Mr. Goldsmith added some humorous reminiscences of incidents on the trip, and read the inscription on the photograph recording the details on the peal.

The ringers in the group were Messrs. W. Pye, E. Pye, G. R. Pye, W. H. Barber and W. Short, who rang the peal, J. George, I. G. Shade, J. Buffery and J. S. Goldsmith.

The Chairman, in thanking Mr. Goldsmith for the gift, said it would be one of the most treasured possessions of the Guild, and would assuredly find a lasting place in the historic ringing chamber of St. Martin's Church (applause).

Mr. A. Paddon Smith proposed the 'Health of the Chairman.' Their Presiding Ringing Master, he said, was a man of many parts. He was high up in the law, and a recent honour that had been accorded him was his appointment to the Recordship of Lincoln. He was an Alderman of the City of Birmingham—not a bad old city to be alderman of (applause)—and had reached the highest degree to which it was possible to attain in Freemasonry. He had told them, however, that of all the honours which fell to him he appreciated none greater than being from time to time re-elected Presiding Ringing Master of St. Martin's Guild (applause).



The toast was honoured with enthusiasm, and the Chairman briefly replied. He also thanked most heartily the artists who had provided them with such an enjoyable musical entertainment, and expressed great pleasure at seeing so many ladies gracing the tables.

The musical programme was a most delightful part of the proceedings. The vocal items were once more entirely sustained by the St. Martin's Quartette (Messrs. Hale, Chapman, Bayliss and Gorman, members of St. Martin's choir), whose splendidly rendered part-songs delighted the large audience. Their contributions included 'Peanutty Lullaby,' 'Jenk's Vegetable Compound,' and 'Summer Eve,' and for each an encore was demanded. In addition, Mr. Chapman sang 'The English Rose,' Mr. Hale rendered 'A song at twilight,' and Mr. Gorman 'Tommy Lad.' There were some capital handbell selections by Messrs. E. Mansell, Mansell, junr., and T. Jones, whose efforts received warm recognition. Mr. E. J. Woodhall was the accompanist.

A large party of visiting ringers gathered at St. Martin's for the service ringing on Sunday morning, and among the touches rung were Stedman Cinques and a course of Cambridge Maximus by ringers from Birmingham, London, Loughborough, Leicester and Woking. Other towers in the town also attracted visitors, and there was another gathering at the Cathedral in the evening.

### SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**WORPLESDON, SURREY.**—At St. Mary's Church, in Sunday, February 26th, for morning service, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob in 30 mins.: R. Tickner (first in method) 1. C. Slyfield 2. Miss K. Avenell (conductor) 3. G. Chandler 4. C. Heather 5. S. Petter 6.

**ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday, Feb. 26th, for evening service, at All Saints' Church, a date touch of Bob Major (1,922 changes) in 1 hour 15 minutes: J. N. Frossell 1. J. Howes 2. C. J. Tricker 3. F. G. Goddard 4. E. F. Cole 5. J. Milner 6. A. Beckensale 7. G. Spencer (conductor) 8. Composed by W. Berry.

**ACTON.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Feb. 26th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,544 changes), comprising the first and last portions of Holt's Original, in 45 mins.: W. Lawrence 1. Robt. Fardon (conductor) 2. S. D. Breeze 3. R. H. Bodington 4. C. Brown 5. E. W. Coulson 6. Robt. Holloway 7. H. Wincoate 8.

**HESTON.**—On Sunday morning, Feb. 26th, for service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Lewis 1. C. S. Bird 2. H. W. Cooper 3. H. C. Chandler 4. E. R. Gladman 5. W. H. Hollier (conductor) 6. H. Harding 7. A. Lewis 8.

**SHELFORD, SURREY.**—On Sunday, on Feb. 26th for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes): W. Chivers 1. G. Petter 2. W. Moore 3. C. Bish 4. R. Crowhurst (conductor) 5. E. Le-Feuvre 6. First quarter-peal by ringers of treble and tenor.

**LINDFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On Sunday, Feb. 26th, for morning service, at the Parish Church, 406 Grandsire Triples: W. W. Watts 1. R. Holder 2. A. Cooper 3. W. Watts 4. E. Patching 5. A. Tomsett (conductor) 6. H. Tomsett 7. F. Howell 8.

**DOVER, KENT.**—On Sunday, February 19th, for the evening service, at St. Mary's Church, the following members of the Kent Association rang a quarter-peal (1,260 changes) Stedman Triples (Brook's Variation), in 45 mins.: C. R. Walker 1. C. R. Millway 2. S. Binfield 3. A. Binfield 4. H. Whitehead 5. H. J. Saunders 6. C. Turner (conductor) 7. F. W. Elliott 8. Messrs. S. and A. Binfield are from the Folkestone St. Mary's band.

**ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On Sunday, Feb. 19th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor (42 singles): A. Cherriman, junr., 1. R. S. Cherriman 2. W. White 3. A. Cherriman, senr., 4. R. Stredwick 5. A. White (conductor) 6.

**WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, Feb. 19th, for morning service, 720 of Woodbine Treble Bob: Ernest Bailey 1. Albert J. L. Naunton 2. Edgar Bailey 3. Frederick Wade 4. George Lee 5. Francis W. Naunton (conductor) 6.

**CHELSEA.**—On Sunday, Feb. 19th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters: P. H. Norton (first quarter of Caters away from tenor) 1. C. F. Mitchell 2. W. J. Dean 3. H. H. Mance 4. A. Newman 5. F. Skevington 6. E. A. Reeve 7. W. Essery 8. H. Mance (conductor) 9. W. Hewson 10.

**LEICESTER.**—At St. Margaret's, for evening service, on February 19th, 648 Grandsire Caters: T. Bent 1. F. Sharman 2. A. Ballard 3. E. Morris (conductor) 4. C. Cattell 5. H. Peach 6. J. Morris 7. H. Lock 8. A. Cattell 9. J. Vernon 10.—On February 15th, for evening service, 518 Grandsire Triples (Holt's): T. Bent 1. F. Sharman 2. A. Ballard 3. E. Morris (conductor) 4. A. Cattell 5. J. Morris 6. H. Peach 7. G. Stedman Morris (age 14) 8. Longest length on tower bells.

**MARDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, February 19th, for evening service, a date touch of Grandsire Triples (1,922 changes), taken from Holt's Original, in 1 hour 6 mins.: A. Farrance 1. H. Head 2. D. Hodgkin 3. C. H. Sone 4. L. Newman 5. J. Head 6. L. Head (conductor) 7. F. Hodgkin 8.

**EWHURST, SURREY.**—On Sunday, Feb. 5th, for the morning service, 1,260 Bob Minor: W. Denyer 1. F. Francis 2. A. J. Bull 3. W. Tidy 4. H. Tidy (longest length) 5. T. W. Denyer (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, Feb. 19th, for the morning service, 1,200 Grandsire Doubles: F. Parker 1. A. J. Bull 2. W. Denyer 3. W. Tidy 4. H. Tidy 5. T. W. Denyer (conductor) 6. Longest length by ringer of treble; also longest length with hobb bell by ringer of the 3rd.

**CIRENCESTER.**—On Sunday, Feb. 5th, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): F. W. Bond 1. A. Bond 2. W. Hayward 3. W. G. Cook (conductor) 4. J. Butler 5. G. Dore 6. H. C. Bond 7. J. Hayward 8.—On Sunday, Feb. 19th, after meeting short for Stedman, 1,200 Bob Minor, with tenor covering: F. W. Bond 1. W. G. Cook 3. H. Lewis 4. J. Butler 5. F. J. Lewis (conductor) 6. H. C. Bond 7. J. Hayward 8.—On Sunday, Feb. 12th, at the Parish Church, for evening service, 528 Grandsire Cinques: R. W. Watts 1. F. W. Bond 2. F. J. Lewis 3. J. King 4. W. G. Cook 5. J. Butler 6. J. C. Eden 7. V. R. Williams 8. S. R. Hicks 9. H. T. Gardner 10. H. C. Bond (conductor) 11. J. Hayward 12.

### USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

486 GRANDSIRE CATERS.  
23456789

756 STEDMAN TRIPLES.  
2314567 3 8

42357968 1—6S  
25397468 6 in 3S  
35792468 5  
75392468 68S  
23456789 1—4S

G. HOLLIS.

4315267 —  
5324167 —  
4321567 —  
Twice repeated.

J. CARTER.

### GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

#### THE DISPUTED CLAIM.

Dear Sir,—With reference to the peal of Grandsire Triples, the authorship of which is claimed by the Rev. E. Banks James, I wish to be perfectly clear and candid. I am sorry to say at the back of my mind I have a slight suspicion that the Rev. E. B. James has been trying to bluff me. If I am wrong I am willing to withdraw and offer what apology is necessary for having had such a suspicion. I have not the slightest wish to claim anything that is not mine, not even a variation.

With regard to this class of peal, my first endeavour was rung at Shipton-under-Wychwood on December 21st, 1895, conducted by W. Large. This peal I set out to improve upon. I was successful in producing various peals upon the 10-part plan, gradually reducing the number of singles till I got two with the minimum number, the peal in question, and the following 5040:

2 3 4 5 6 7  
7 5 2 6 3 4 1  
5 2 7 6 3 4 4  
4 6 5 3 2 7 1  
2 7 4 5 3 6 2  
6 5 2 3 7 4 1  
7 4 6 2 3 5 2  
5 2 7 3 4 6 1  
7 4 5 2 6 3 3  
3 2 7 6 4 5 1  
4 5 3 7 6 2 2  
S 7 2 4 6 5 3 1  
3 6 7 5 2 4 1  
\* 4 5 3 2 6 7 1  
S 2 7 4 6 5 3 1  
5 3 2 4 6 7 2  
2 6 5 3 7 4 3  
5 7 2 6 4 3 3  
2 4 5 7 3 6 3  
6 7 2 3 4 5 1  
4 5 6 2 3 7 2

Thus four times repeated gives one-half, with part ends:—

2 3 4 5 6 7  
4 5 6 2 3 7  
6 2 3 4 5 7  
3 4 5 6 2 7  
5 6 2 3 4 7  
2 3 4 5 6 7

The second half is called exactly like the above, but the part ends are reversed

2 6 5 4 3 7  
5 4 3 2 6 7  
3 2 6 5 4 7  
6 5 4 3 2 7  
4 3 2 6 5 7  
2 6 5 4 3 7

A single at \* shunts us to a part end in the reverse half. When the whole of that half has been rung a single at part end flings us back to \* when the first half is completed.

Now it was not till about 1900 or 1901 that I noted a peal, rung, I believe in Gloucester, or near, of which the figures were afterwards published. I had the same peal, but without any further thought, put the Rev. E. B. James' name to it in my book. Seeing that that gentleman was on the same track as I had been, I thought it time that my two best specimens were published. I sent to 'Bell News' but they never appeared. All I could do was to give them to my friends. I have given the Rev. E. B. James unquestionable proof as to the genuineness of my statements. He will pardon me if I expect the same from him.—Yours, etc.,

G. LINDOFF.

A very successful day's ringing, organised by Mr. C. Tribe, of Tenterden, Kent, took place on Sunday, February 12th, when Frittenenden, Rolvenden and Tenterden were visited, and a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples at each tower was the result. Three men scored first quarters, and several of the others taking part have rung but few such lengths, so that much good was done to those who were in want of a helping hand. 'First peals' should be an event of the near future for several of the party. During the day members of the company were kindly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. H. Baker (Frittenenden), Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Burden (Rolvenden), and Mr. C. Tribe (Tenterden), and they return their best thanks for hospitality received.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Wigan Parish Church on Saturday, March 4th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting by arrangement. No ringing between 5 and 6 p.m. by request. A good attendance requested. All ringers welcome.—J. Halsall, Branch Sec., 97, Platt Lane, Hindley.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual Meeting will be held at Reigate on Saturday, March 4th. Bells open from 3 p.m. Service at 5.15. Tea at the Parish Hall, Lesbourne Road, at 6 p.m.—Chas. Dean, Sec., 59, Wellesley Road, Croydon.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, March 4th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, March 4th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 5 to 7 p.m. Committee meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The Annual meeting of the above Guild will be held at Dudley on Saturday, March 4th. Bells available for 3 p.m. Service in the New Parish Hall, King Street, at 4 o'clock, which will be conducted by the President, the Rev. A. H. Phelps, M.A., R.D., who will also preside at the business meeting afterwards.—Fred Colclough, Hon. Sec., 1, Earl Street, Bilston.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Feltham on Saturday, March 4th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Will arrange tea at a reasonable charge for 5.30. Everyone is welcome.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at North Mymms on Saturday, March 4th. Bells available 2.45. Service at 5 p.m. Tea arrangements will be made. All ringers welcome.—Wm. Nash, Dist. Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—A Quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Newport Pagnell on Saturday, March 4th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—Walter Sear, Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on March 7th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 9th; St. Magnus on the 16th and 30th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 21st and Southwark Cathedral on the 28th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A quarterly meeting of the above district will be held at Yorktown on Saturday, March 11th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and meeting in the Parish Room after service. Will all those intending to be present please notify me not later than Wednesday, March 8th? All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Owlsmore, Camberley.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on Saturday, March 11th. Bells ready at 3 punctually. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea (1/- per head) at 5.30; business meeting following. The bells of St. Mary's (10), Walthamstow, will be available for ringing from 7.30 to 9. I shall be glad if all who require tea will advise me by March 8th.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood St., E.17.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Kendal, on Saturday, March 11th. Bells (10) available all day. Tea at 4 o'clock, followed by business meeting. A good attendance of ringers is desired.—W. T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next Branch meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Helmshore, on Saturday, March 11th. Bells ready from 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. Subscriptions are now due. Annual reports to hand. A good attendance is earnestly requested.—John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting of the above Association will be held at Bitton on Saturday, March 11th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 o'clock in the Parish Hall. Please notify Branch Hon. Sec. by March 6th for tea.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Widnes and Farnsworth on Saturday, March 11th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, Branch Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Broughton on March 11th. Bells (6), available from 3 p.m. Buses from Preston run past the Church.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, second Monday, and St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**BARNLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The monthly meeting will be held at South Kirby on Saturday, March 11th. Bells ready from 2 to 9 p.m. Tea will be provided at reasonable price to those applying early to Mr. J. Tait, Carr Lane, South Kirby, Wakefield.—C. D. Potter, Sec., Barnsley.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—A meeting will be held at Berkhamstead on March 11th. Bells available at 3 p.m. A short service will be held in the Parish Church. Tea and meeting to follow.—F. J. Reeve, Hon. Dist. Sec., Tring.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday,



March 18th, at St. Mary's, Battersea. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14A, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division. The annual meeting will be held at Handsworth, Sheffield, on Sat., March 18th. Bells (8) from 2 o'clock. Service at 4.30, preacher, The Lord Bishop of Sheffield. Tea at 1/3 each will be provided immediately after service in the Schoolroom. Business meeting after tea. The Annual Report will be on sale price 2/- per copy.—F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 18, Royston Avenue, Doncaster.

**ELLAND, ST. MARY'S CHURCH.**—These bells have been rehung by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, and will be officially reopened for ringing on Saturday, March 18th. Bells available from 1 to 9 p.m. Service in the Church at 4 p.m. Tea in the Parish Room at 5 p.m. at 1/3 each. All wishing to have tea must notify Geo. H. Simon, 72, Park Road, Elland, not later than March 17th. All visitors welcome.

**LADIES GUILD.**—I beg to remind members that subscriptions for 1922 are now due and should be sent either direct to me or to District Secretaries.—Edith K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 17, Wellington Road, Enfield.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

**CHANGE RINGER** on 6 and 8 requires job as JOINER, with experience in Cabinet trade. Willing to instruct beginners.—Tembey, 28, King Street, Cleator, Cumberland.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers 1. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

#### ELLAND BELLS REHUNG.

The rehanging of the noted bells at St. Mary's Church, Elland, has been completed, and they were rung for the first time on Monday week. Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have carried out their contract to the satisfaction of all concerned, and the 'go' of the bells is excellent.

As a trial, a 576 Kent Treble Bob Major was rung by: J. W. Hollas 1, Jas. Barraclough 2, J. R. Eastwood 3, G. H. Simon (conductor) 4, Tom Robinson 5, Willie Frith 6, Jno. Hollas 7, Allan Carter 8.

A notice of the official opening of the bells will be found on another page.

#### DATE TOUCH.

At Harwell, Berks, on Thursday, January 12th, a date touch of Grandeire Doubles (1.922 changes) was rung, in 1 hr. 8 mins., by: C. Hitchman 1, H. Palmer 2, E. Cox 3, L. Hitchman 4, W. Hitchman (conductor) 5, W. Corderoy 6. Longest touch on the bells, and by all the band except the conductor.

**BANGOR.**—North Wales Association.—On Saturday, January 21st, 1922, a 720 of Oxford Single Bob, in 27 mins.: F. Hobbs 1, J. H. Midwinter 2, W. Crane, junr., 3, W. T. Pegler (conductor) 4, A. J. Hughes 5, A. E. Pegler 6. First 720 in the method on the bells.—On Saturday, Feb. 11th, after meeting short for Bob Major, 720 of Kent Trebles Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: J. H. Midwinter 1, T. Jones 2, W. T. Pegler 3, A. E. Pegler 4, A. J. Hughes 5, J. H. Riding (Crews) 6. Rung in honour of the birthdays of the Rev. T. Lewis Jones, M.A., and Mr. A. E. Pegler; also on the occasion of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hughes, of Bangor.

#### MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

**CHILTON, BERKS.**—On Saturday, January 14th, 720 Bob Minor: B. Cox 1, J. Butler 2, Mrs. A. E. Lock 3, A. E. Lock 4, W. Hitchman 5, F. S. Macey (conductor) 6.

**LONG STANTON.**—On Monday, January 30th, on the back six, 720 of Long Stanton: W. Hawkes 1, F. J. Cook 2, Rev. H. B. Woolley 3, J. B. Woolley (conductor) 4, G. Crisp 5, C. W. Cook 6. This is believed to be the first time this method has been rung on tower bells.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on January 31st, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples: G. R. Simmonds (Lewisham) 1, E. B. Crowder 2, J. J. Lamb (Greenwich) 3, H. J. Norgate 4, A. Bradley 5, T. A. Easterby 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, A. F. Bennington 8. Rung for the unveiling of the war memorial in the church by the Bishop of Woolwich.

**WISBECH.**—On Sunday evening, February 12th, on handbells, at the conductor's residence, 720 Bob Minor by: Arthur P. Cosway, W. H. Freeman, J. Foster, B. Gogle, Ralph Narborough (conductor). First 720 by all except ringer of 2nd and conductor.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

► GREAT REDUCTIONS. ◄

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**

LIMITED,

**COVENTRY.**

MAKERS SINCE 1730.

#### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

**R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,**  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

#### PEAL CARDS, 3/6 Dozen.

REPORT BOOKS, BALANCE SHEETS, RECEIPT BOOKS  
STATIONERY.

#### SUPPORT FELLOW RINGERS.

**GOOD** The Ringers' Printers,  
Bros. 31, Prestonville Rd., Brighton.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

## The Jasper Snowden Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 5th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Haywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s. d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1 0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
Silversmith,  
**WOKING**  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-**

**Hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed, Hand-  
bells in sets Chromatic or Diatonic.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

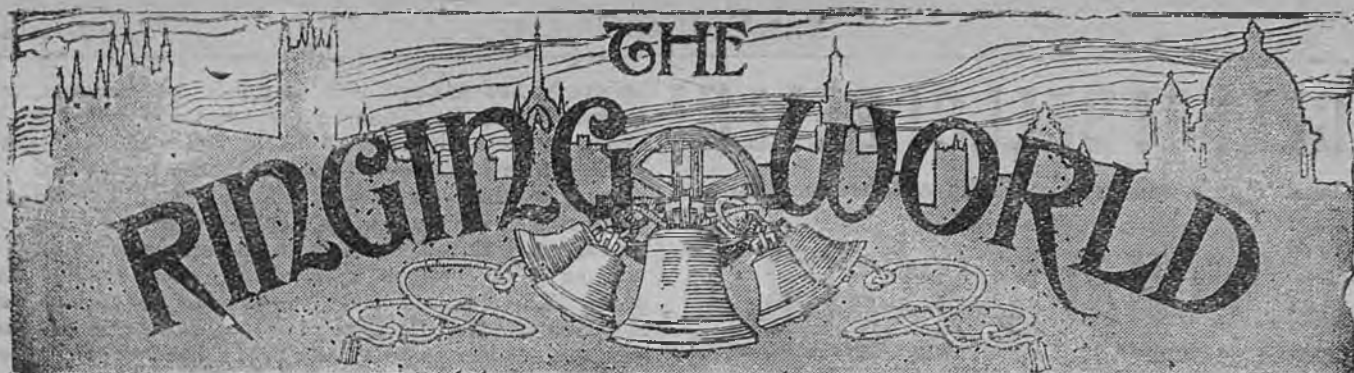
Specialty Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 85/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER, Goldsmith and Jeweller,**  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 573. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, MARCH 10th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### JOHN CARTER'S MASTERPIECE.

We are enabled to publish to-day the figures of Mr. John Carter's new peal of Stedman Triples, which is likely to become known as his 'Odd and Even Bob Peal.' The figures will be examined with great interest; by composers who will desire to investigate the manner whereby the complete 60 courses can be pieced together by a method so complicated; by conductors who will desire to call a peal which, we think, the majority will write down as the most difficult that has yet been offered to the Exercise. Some few may be inclined to say that from the conductor's point of view the peal does not present greater difficulties than the famous Odd Bob One Part, but as there are a greater number of calls, it certainly will not prove any easier. Be that as it may, the task of calling the composition is one which only the most expert conductors of Stedman Triples are likely to succeed with, although it has already been shown that the peal is within the range of practical conductorship by the fact that it has been called by Mr. T. H. Taffender from a non-observation bell.

To turn, however, to the other side of the question—the task of the composer—it is, we have no hesitation in saying, one of the greatest triumphs that has ever been achieved. Only those who have made a study of the composition of Stedman Triples can appreciate the difficulties of the composer. At one time a peal in the method with only bobs and singles was considered impossible except on the twin-bob plan, and it was less than twenty years ago that Sir Arthur Heywood wrote that 'the slightest divergence at once lands the composer in apparently hopeless difficulties.' Yet in his Odd Bob peal and in his newest production, Mr. Carter has shown that even these hopeless difficulties can be overcome. In the old days peals of Stedman Triples were got on the multi-bob plan, by which composers utilised bob blocks to keep the bells behind together for as many sixes as possible, and which also involved the use of special calls in place of singles. Then, in the evolution of peals, came those on the bob and single plan, to be superseded by the twin-bob system, of which Thurstans' was the first and greatest. Peals with odd bobs and in which only two ordinary singles are used became the next step forward, and now Mr. Carter has combined both odd and even bobs in one peal.

Mr. Carter is a genius, but such things as the Odd and Even Bob peal do not come merely as a flash of inspiration. Long and patient investigation lies behind the production of such a composition. If he has in the past 'composed' five hundred peals of Stedman Caters, as we

(Continued on page 146.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

**Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.**

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway),

**Late 155, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

believe he has in his dinner hour, it is only because much patient labour has gone to prepare the way; if he has given us what ringers believe to be the most wonderful piece of mechanism ever designed by the wit of man—his ringing machine—it is only as the result of twenty-five years of untiring application, coupled with the exercise of that creative skill of which in the pursuit of his hobby, as well as in the serious tasks of life, he has so often given proof. The Odd and Even Bob peal may be to him but a step from the Odd Bob peal, but it marks a new departure which goes to demonstrate further how the Exercise is making progress, and, what is more, it provides us with an example of what may be achieved by those who care to devote themselves to study. From this standpoint should be an inspiration to others.

### TEN BELL PEAL.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Feb. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN-THE-MARTYR,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. Treble	JAMES R. JONES... .. 6
MRS. R. J. WILKINS... .. 2	WILLIAM KNIGHT ... .. 7
ALBERT STOWELL ... .. 3	GEORGE CONDICK, SEN. ... .. 8
*REV. R. H. WHITFORD ... .. 4	JOHN A. BURFORD ... .. 9
RICHARD CLARK... .. 5	†GEORGE LACEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by ALFRED E. REEVES.

\* First peal on ten. † First peal, and elected a member before starting. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. R. J. Wilkins.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HYDE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Feb. 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt. 0 qr. 11 lb. in E.

JOSEPH MELLOR ... .. Treble	ARTHUR HAUGHTON ... .. 5
WILLIAM FERNLEY ... .. 2	SAMUEL BOWKER... .. 6
JOHN BRIERLEY ... .. 3	ALBERT HOUGH ... .. 7
HARRY NORGROVE ... .. 4	BENJAMIN THORP... .. Tenor

Composed by B. THORP.

Conducted by A. HOUGH.

Rung to celebrate the opening of a bazaar in aid of the church and schools.

HAGBOURNE, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Feb. 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 22 cwt.

ALFRED F. WEBB ... .. Treble	FREDERICK S. MACEY... .. 5
G. FREDERICK JAMES ... .. 2	RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. NAPPER ... .. 3	JAMES S. NAPPER ... .. 7
WALTER V. WEBB ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. GOODENOUGH... Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD G. RICE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to ringers of 2nd and 7th.

RAUNDS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 22 cwt.

DANIEL REDHEAD ... .. Treble	LEONARD J. WYMAN ... .. 5
GEORGE LINES ... .. 2	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. GILBERT ... .. 3	FRED WILFORD ... .. 7
JAMES NICKERSON ... .. 4	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. S. WILDE.

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

Rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. & Mrs. W. J. Gilbert.

DEPTFORD, LONDON.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt.

*FRANK E. ELLIS... .. Treble	WALTER SMITH ... .. 5
HERBERT AUDSLEY ... .. 2	†EDMUND BATES ... .. 6
JOHN J. LAMB ... .. 3	ROBERT BRETT SMITH ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... .. 4	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. Tenor

Composed by H. JOHNSON. Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE.  
First peal of Double Norwich. † First peal of Major.

ABERAVON, SOUTH WALES.  
THE WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

F. E. STONE ... .. Treble	*H. BOYCE ... .. 5
B. DEVONHOLD ... .. 2	J. HAMMOND ... .. 6
J. E. BLOXHAM ... .. 3	A. J. PITMAN ... .. 7
*R. ELLIS ... .. 4	*A. HATTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. HAMMOND.

\* First peal of Triples. First peal of Triples as conductor. The ringers of the 2nd and 3rd hail from Cadoxton, and the 4th, 5th, 6th and tenor from Neath, the others belong to the local band. Great credit is due to the ringers, as all except the ringers of the treble and 7th are six-bell men. Special praise is due to the ringer of the 4th, it being the first time he has rung a bob bell in Triples.

ERITH, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Feb. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

*HARRY RAYNER... .. Treble	†EDMUND BATES ... .. 5
JOHN WHEADON... .. 2	HERBERT AUDSLEY ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE... .. 3	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 7
†EDWARD BROWN ... .. 4	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.  
\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Treble Bob.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

HARWELL, BEDS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Feb. 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

42 six-score.

Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

*CECIL HITCHMAN ... .. Treble	*LEWIS HITCHMAN ... .. 4
*HARRY PALMER ... .. 2	RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 5
WALTER HITCHMAN ... .. 3	*WILLIAM CORDEROY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER HITCHMAN.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells which have been a ring of six for upwards of 300 years.

CODDINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 11½ cwt.

*ALBERT HAWKINS ... .. Treble	*ERNEST PRICE ... .. 4
*FREDERICK STINTON... .. 2	FREDERICK FARMER ... .. 5
E. WILLIAM TURNER... .. 3	*ARCHIE WEBLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. W. TURNER.

\* First attempt for a peal.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. T. ATTWELL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

*WALTER G. BROCKHURST... 1—2	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5—6
*ARTHUR J. BARTLETT ... 3—4	*GEORGE LUFF ... .. 7—8

Conducted by ARTHUR J. BARTLETT.  
Umpire: MR. T. ATTWELL.

\* First peal, and first attempt on handbells. † First peal on handbells. This was rung by a local band and at the first attempt. It was a birthday compliment to the conductor and his 50th peal. The ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. and Mrs. Attwell for their kindness on this and past occasions.

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Feb. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.  
Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

This is the first time a peal in this method has been tapped on handbells.

**PREMIER SURPRISE MAJOR.**

ANOTHER VARIATION OF BRISTOL WITH CLEAN PROOF SCALE.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
2 1 4 3 6 5 8 7  
1 2 3 4 6 8 5 7  
2 1 4 3 8 6 7 5  
2 4 1 3 6 8 5 7  
4 2 3 1 6 5 8 7  
2 4 1 3 5 6 7 8  
4 2 3 1 5 7 6 8  
2 4 3 5 1 7 8 6  
2 3 4 5 7 1 6 8  
3 2 5 4 1 7 8 6  
3 5 2 4 7 1 6 8  
5 3 4 2 7 6 1 8  
3 5 2 4 6 7 8 1  
3 2 5 4 7 6 8 1  
2 3 4 5 6 7 1 8  
2 4 3 5 7 6 8 1  
4 2 5 3 6 7 1 8  
2 4 3 5 6 1 7 8  
2 3 4 5 1 6 8 7  
3 2 5 4 6 1 7 8  
3 5 2 4 1 6 8 7  
5 3 2 1 4 6 7 8  
3 5 1 2 4 7 6 8  
5 3 2 1 7 4 8 6  
3 5 1 2 7 8 4 6  
3 1 5 2 8 7 6 4  
1 3 2 5 7 8 4 6  
3 1 5 2 7 4 8 6  
1 3 2 5 4 7 6 8 1 3 2 5 4 7 6 8  
1 3 5 2 7 4 8 6 1 2 3 5 7 4 8 6

COMPOSITION.

5056.

23456	W	B	M	H
23564		1	—	—
56234	—	—	—	—
26435		—	—	—
43265	—	—	—	—
52436	—	—	—	—
45236		—	—	—
24536		—	—	—
24365		1	—	—
53246	—	—	—	—
25346		—	—	—
32546		—	—	—

Repeated.

By Joseph W. Parker.

Sunderland.

Bob.

This method is the variation of Bristol Surprise with seventh's place when the treble lies behind, and second's place when the treble is leading full.

As compared with Bristol, the effect of the alterations is to give lengthening lead music plainly, both when the treble is behind and in front. The music at the bob leads is, of course, exactly the same in both methods. For these reasons, the majority will agree that it is fairly entitled to be called the premier Surprise method.

Any half-peal of Bob Major with tenors together, and without singles, is a true peal of 'Premier.'

The first peal in the method was rung at Whitley Bay in celebration of the Royal Wedding on February 28th.

**'ST. GUTHLAC.'**

On Thursday, March 2nd, a 720 of No. 16, page 6, Legitimate Methods was rung at Market Deeping by the following: F. Simpson 1, A. Riggall 2, J. Landon 3, H. Holmes 4, W. A. Day 5, H. M. Day (conductor) 6. The ringers wish to name it 'St. Guthlac.'



## ROYAL WEDDING PEALS.

The following peals were rung in honour of the wedding of  
H.R.H. Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles, K.G., D.S.O.

### NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL GUILD.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

At THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 37½ cwt.

*GEORGE A. PICKERING ... Treble	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... 7
EDWIN H. LEWIS ... 2	WILLIAM W. SINCLAIR ... 8
CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE ... 3	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... 9
WILLIAM H. BARBER ... 4	BENJAMIN E. DIXON ... 10
RICHARD THOMPSON ... 5	ROBERT RICHARDS ... 11
JOHN MCKEAG ... 6	ERNEST E. FERRY ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

\* First peal of Cinques. Mr. E. H. Lewis's 150th peal.

### BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,

At THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 36 cwt in C.

ERNEST T. ALLAWAY ... Treble	HARRY BROUGHTON ... 7
THOMAS RUSSAM ... 2	JOHN OLDEHAM ... 8
WILLIAM SHORT ... 3	ALBERT WALKER ... 9
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... 4	A. PADDON SMITH ... 10
THOMAS H. REEVES ... 5	JAMES E. GROVES ... 11
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... 6	JOHN NEAL ... Tenor

Composed and conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

### HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

At ALL SAINTS' CHURCH,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt. C sharp.

FRED HAYES ... Treble	ARTHUR J. HOING ... 7
GEORGE TWITCHEN ... 2	JOHN EVANS ... 8
EDWARD R. COLES ... 3	FRANK W. BOXELL ... 9
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 4	P.S. CECIL E. SMITH ... 10
CECIL C. MAYNE ... 5	SYDNEY T. GOODCHILD ... 11
*JAMES W. WILKINS ... 6	JAMES W. BLACKMORE ... Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by FRED HAYES.

\* First peal of Cinques. † First peal on 12 and first peal by ringer of 10 with a working bell. This is the first peal of Stedman Cinques rung by 12 residents of Bucks. Fifth and tenor ringers hail from Beaconsfield, 4th from Slough, the rest are local.

### MAIDSTONE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt.

THOMAS MANNERING ... Treble	ERNEST SPILLER ... 6
†ALBERT E. GASSON ... 2	*REGINALD RICH ... 7
†LOUIS HEAD ... 3	†HARRY COAST ... 8
HARRY N. WAY ... 4	LEONARD MANNERING ... 9
ALFRED W. TAWNEY ... 5	*FREDERICK RANDALL ... Tenor

Composed by L. HEAD. Conducted by T. MANNERING.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman Caters. First peal of Stedman Caters by an entirely local band on the bells. It is also the first peal since the bells were re-hung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and the ringers express their satisfaction at the splendid 'go' of the bells.

### CANTERBURY.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,  
At THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;

Tenor 30 cwt.

WALTER ANDREWS ... Treble	REV. FRED J. O. HELMORE ... 6
CHARLES W. BRETT ... 2	*FRANK JENKINS ... 7
FREDERICK G. BRETT ... 3	*FREDERICK A. FAIRBEARD ... 8
PERCY J. PAINE ... 4	*MORTON W. PIERCE ... 9
EDWIN G. BUESDEN ... 5	GEORGE G. JENKINS ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by EDWIN G. BUESDEN.

\* First peal of Caters. All the above are members of the Cathedral Company.

### NORWICH.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER MANCROFT,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;

Tenor 43 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb.

*ROBERT HARDY ... Treble	WILLIAM E. BASON ... 6
*GEORGE A. SPARKS ... 2	GEORGE MAYERS ... 7
BEN S. THOMPSON ... 3	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... 8
GEORGE P. BURTON ... 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... 9
JOHN E. BURTON ... 5	FRANK R. COPEMAN ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters.

### PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.

On Tuesday, February 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5030 CHANGES;

Tenor 26 cwt.

THOMAS WRIGHT ... Treble	FRANK WAITE ... 6
THOMAS BALDWIN ... 2	WILLIAM HASTINGS ... 7
WILLIAM RYLAND ... 3	GEORGE ORCHARD ... 8
ALBERT WRIGHT ... 4	ARTHUR WAITE ... 9
WILLIAM IRELAND ... 5	CHARLES BARNFIELD ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

### BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;

Tenor 25½ cwt.

HARRY E. GOOD ... Treble	GEORGE ELLIS ... 6
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... 2	A. YORK BRAMBLE ... 7
AUGUSTIN V. GOOD ... 3	JOHN DEARLOVE ... 8
ALFRED W. GROVES ... 4	KEITH HART ... 9
OLIVER SIPPETTS ... 5	HORACE WHITEHEAD ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by KEITH HART.

### SUREBLET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

### A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb.

REV. H. LAW JAMES ... Treble	JOHN CURRY ... 6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 2	ERNEST A. FLOWERS ... 7
PHYLLIS HARE ... 3	SYDNEY G. FLOWERS ... 8
*ANNIE PARKINS ... 4	WILLIAM HOLLINGWORTH ... 9
HORACE M. DAY ... 5	JOHN W. WOOD ... Tenor

Composed by G. HAYWARD. Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal of Royal.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

➤ GREAT REDUCTIONS. ➤

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Feb. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*WILLIAM BARNES ... .. Treble	*FRANK SHAW ... .. 5
JAMES SHAW ... .. 2	*JONATHAN WHEWELL ... 6
ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH 3	JAMES HOULDSWORTH ... 7
*JACK BARNES ... .. 4	WILLIAM RILEY... .. Tenor

Composed by Rev. H. L. JAMES. Conducted by J. HOULDSWORTH.

Rung by the local company, on the eve of Princess Mary's marriage. \* First peal in the method.

WORSLEY.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Monday, Feb. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 21½ cwt.

W. GRUNDY ... .. Treble	J. POTTER ... .. 5
J. RIDYARD ... .. 2	P. H. DERBYSHIRE ... 6
W. JONES ... .. 3	J. H. RIDYARD ... .. 7
S. HARRISON ... .. 4	A. BURTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. H. RIDYARD.

Rung on the eve of the wedding of Princess Mary to Viscount Lascelles. The ringers of the fifth and tenor hail from Walkden, the rest belong to the local company.

BREWOD, STAFFORD.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 22 cwt.

GEORGE WARNER ... .. Treble	HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 5
*HERBERT E. BOOTH ... .. 2	†HERBERT WAKELAM... 6
FRED BIRKS ... .. 3	†JOHN PERRY ... .. 7
EDWARD J. MITCHELL ... 4	THOMAS PERRY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN PERRY.

Viscount Lascelles and Princess Mary arrived at Weston Park, close to Brewod, during the ringing of the peal. \* First peal of Triples. † First peal of Triples with a working bell. † First peal of Triples as conductor.

HEAVITREE, EXETER, DEVON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(EXETER BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS' FIVE-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt.

WILLIAM S. LETHBRIDGE ... Treble	CHARLES G. GLASS ... .. 5
FRANK J. DAVEY... .. 2	†ARTHUR MITCHELL ... 6
THOMAS LAVER ... .. 3	JOHN R. SANDOVER ... 7
A. GEORGE BETTS ... .. 4	*WILLIAM BEDFORD ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK I. DAVEY.

\* First peal. † First peal on an inside bell. Also rung as a welcome to the new vicar, Rev. Kenneth A. Lake, B.A.

LIVERPOOL.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WOOLTON,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

*ERNEST L. HOMPERISS ... Treble	†GEORGE LUNT ... .. 5
BENJAMIN TREVITT ... .. 2	*ERNEST SEDDON... .. 6
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 3	EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. 7
†CLAUDE I. DAVIES ... .. 4	HARRY HUDSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

Rung at the same time as the ceremony was in progress at Westminster. \* First peal. † First peal in the method away from treble. Great credit is due to the ringer of the treble for the way he rang his bell, he being only 15 years of age.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.  
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF PREMIER SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES:

Tenor 17½ cwt.

WILLIAM L. GOFTON ... .. Treble	ROBERT GOFTON ... .. 5
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 2	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 6
R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 3	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... 7
JAMES E. GOFTON ... .. 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER. Conducted by T. T. GOFTON.

This is the first peal rung in the method.

DEPTFORD.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN W. BILLING ... .. Treble	RICHARD A. RICHES ... .. 5
REGINALD D. MARSHALL ... 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 6
GEORGE W. HARRIS ... .. 3	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. 7
DAVID F. WARD ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. BILLING... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. DAYNES.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb.

*ALFRED BROOKLAND... .. Treble	WILLIAM LIDBETTER ... .. 5
CHARLES J. TRICKER ... .. 2	FREDERICK G. GODDARD ... 6
THOMAS BEADLE ... .. 3	GEORGE SPEACER ... .. 7
JOSEPH MILNER... .. 4	ALBERT BECKENSALE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE SPENCER.

\* First peal.

KIBWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

W. BOLTON ... .. Treble	E. LEECH ... .. 5
W. N. ADKINSON... .. 2	A. MANNING ... .. 6
J. TAYLOR ... .. 3	F. STANFORTH ... .. 7
D. ILIFFE ... .. 4	*E. ARNOLD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. STANFORTH.

\* First peal.

BECKENHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

*HAROLD HAWKES ... .. Treble	FREDERICK TERRY ... .. 5
*PERCY MEES ... .. 2	GEORGE WICKENS ... .. 6
ISAAC EMERY ... .. 3	WALTER SMITH ... .. 7
FREDERIC KING ... .. 4	FREDERICK SCUTCHER... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER SMITH.

\* First peal.

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

ERNEST LEIGH ... .. Treble	EDWARD SEAL ... .. 5
RICHARD JENNER... .. 2	THOMAS WALLIS ... .. 6
ALBERT BELTON ... .. 3	JOHN W. STEDDY... .. 7
JAMES HEASMAN ... .. 4	EDWIN COLLINSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. STEDDY.

This was the conductor's 50th peal of Stedman.

GLOUCESTER.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(GLOUCESTER BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY DE CRYPT.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JESSE GILLET ... .. Treble	HERBERT BECKETT ... .. 5
WILLIAM HARRIS ... .. 2	JOHN AUSTIN ... .. 6
CAPT. A. A. BENNETT, C.A. 3	ERNEST E. DAVIS ... .. 7
GEORGE L. BRUNSDON ... .. 4	CHARLES H. AUSTIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

JOHN T. SCOTT ... .. Treble	HARRY BURDOCK ... .. 5
FREDERICK L. CLARKE ... .. 2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... .. 6
HENRY HUTTON ... .. 3	ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 7
ERNEST WEATHERBY ... .. 4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

CIRENCESTER, GLOS.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, WATERMOOR,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

ARTHUR PARSONS ... .. Treble	JAMES BUTLER ... .. 5
WILFRED G. COOK ... .. 2	H. TOM GARDNER ... .. 6
FRANCIS J. LEWIS ... .. 3	H. CHARLES BOND ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. CUSS ... .. 4	JOHN HAYWARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS J. LEWIS.

ASHTED, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

REV. C. D. DAVIES' FIVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

WILLIAM COOK ... .. Treble	JOHN WYATT ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. CORBETT ... .. 2	JOHN HOYLE ... .. 6
JOHN BEAMS ... .. 3	GEORGE A. COOK ... .. 7
JOHN CRAWFORD ... .. 4	DAVID ANSCOMB ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. CORBETT.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

EDWARD GRINDELL ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. GROOM ... .. 5
ERNEST E. GRIMES ... .. 2	THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... .. 6
PERCIVAL WOODS ... .. 3	GEORGE S. ROWE ... .. 7
JOHN C. HAGGAR ... .. 4	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEO. H. CROSS. Conducted by WM. C. RUMSEY.

First Surprise peal by a local band since 1907.

BACUP, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
ON THE QUEEN VICTORIA JUBILEE BELLS AT ST. SAVIOUR'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE BROWN ... .. Treble	STANLEY PICKUP ... .. 5
† HAROLD W. EMMETT ... .. 2	* FRED KENDALL ... .. 6
† JOHN HILL ... .. 3	JAMES HY. BANKS ... .. 7
JOSEPH BANKS ... .. 4	HOWORTH HOLT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES HY. BANKS.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method.

SELLY OAK, BIRMINGHAM.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, March 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb.

LESLIE G. CARTWRIGHT ... Treble	JOHN EATON ... .. 5
WILLIAM BALL ... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
* C. HOWARD STANLEY ... 3	WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT 7
JAMES GEORGE ... .. 4	* THEODORE RUSSELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT.

First peal in the method as conductor. \* First peal in the method.

ABINGDON, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr.

THOMAS SHORT ... .. Treble	* EDGAR HUMFREY ... .. 5
MRS. ALBERT E. LOCK ... 2	ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 6
* JACK HONEY ... .. 3	* FRANK BARRETT ... .. 7
FREDERICK S. MACEY ... 4	GORDON CAUDWELL ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. HUDSON. Conducted by ALBERT E. LOCK.

\* First peal in the method. This is believed to be the first peal in the method on the bells.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

J. J. PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... Treble	* A. EDWARD EASTWOOD ... 5
† ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN ... 2	JOHN BLACKSHAW ... .. 6
FRED CHAMBERS ... .. 3	† FRED BRADLEY ... .. 7
TOM CHAMBERS ... .. 4	RICHARD STANCLIFFE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. BLACKSHAW.

\* First peal in method. † First peal in the method on an inside bell. First peal as conductor. All are members of the local company.

HAWKHURST, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

DAVIES' TRANSPOSITION OF HOLT'S SIX-PART. Tenor 23 cwt. 19 lb.

THOMAS ASHENDEN ... Treble	CHARLES TRIBE ... .. 5
* HARRY BAKER ... .. 2	GEORGE BILLENNESS ... 6
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... 3	HARRY PARKES ... .. 7
JOHN BLAKE ... .. 4	* HARRY BATEHOP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

\* First peal. goth peal as conductor. H. Batehop was elected a member previous to starting.

RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(ISLE OF WIGHT DISTRICT.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 26½ cwt.

* ARTHUR BRADING ... Treble	PERCY LONG ... .. 5
* PHILIP S. PARKER ... .. 2	* BERTRAM J. SNOW ... .. 6
EDWARD S. HATCHER ... 3	A. RICHARD WARD ... .. 7
* JOHN T. TANSOM ... .. 4	WILLIAM KEMP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. RICHARD WARD.

\* First peal.

HARWELL, BERKS.—On Monday, February 8th, 720 Grandsire Minor, Carter's Twelve-part: J. Nobes 1, T. East 2, R. G. Rice (conductor) 3, F. S. Macey 4, W. Hitchman 5, J. S. Napper 6. Also touches of Stedman Double and Bob Minor.

## DERBY.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

CYRIL J. JENNINGS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM POYSER ... .. 5
WILLIAM A. PARSONS ... .. 2	WILFRED H. BUXTON ... .. 6
JOHN W. GLEW ... .. 3	JOSEPH LORD ... .. 7
FREDERICK W. STONE ... .. 4	ARTHUR SHERWOOD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. GLEW.

This is the quickest peal on the bells.

## WORCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH AND THE ALL SAINTS' YOUTHS.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S. Tenor 18½ cwt.

FRANCIS W. NEATE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM C. JONES ... .. 5
SIDNEY HOLT ... .. 2	WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 6
THOMAS WALTERS ... .. 3	JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... .. 7
G. HINTON, JUN. ... .. 4	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. PAGE.

## NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(ISLE OF WIGHT DISTRICT.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb.

HARRY BARTON ... .. Treble	ALBERT CALLAWAY ... .. 5
WALTER SCOTT, SEN. ... .. 2	WALTER SCOTT, JUN. ... .. 6
*WILLIAM JOHNSON ... .. 3	WILLIAM UPTON ... .. 7
*JOHN BACON ... .. 4	WILLIAM CHAMBERS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY BARTON.

\* First peal.

## SWINDON, WILTS.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr.

*ALBERT W. BOND ... .. Treble	SIDNEY PALMER ... .. 5
WILLIAM G. LANCASTER ... .. 2	†HARRY A. HEARL ... .. 6
†ROBERT W. HYNER ... .. 3	CHARLES J. GARDNER ... .. 7
HENRY W. L. WELLS ... .. 4	ERNEST BISHOP ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by ROBERT W. HYNER.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. ‡ First peal of Major as conductor.

## WESTON FAVELL, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 10 Six-scores of St. Simon's, 10 six-scores of Bob Doubles, and 22 six-scores of Grandsire Doubles.

BERTRAM MURBY ... .. Treble	CHARLES HAINES ... .. 3
FRANK ROLLINGS ... .. 2	ALFRED J. RICHARDSON ... .. 4
THOMAS LAW ... .. 3	... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS LAW.

## MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Canterbury Pleasure, Grandsire, Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and Cambridge Surprise in this order.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F Sharp.

JOHN AVIS ... .. Treble	GEORGE MORRAD ... .. 4
HARRY ARGENT ... .. 2	WILLIAM HARPER ... .. 5
GUY R. AMBROSE ... .. 3	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK M. MITCHELL.

## WORPLESDON, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb.

*CLAUDE HEATHER ... .. Treble	GEORGE CHANDLER ... .. 4
*CHARLES SLYFIELD ... .. 2	SAMUEL PETTER ... .. 5
MISS KATHLEEN AVENELL ... .. 3	HENRY A. BLACKMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by S. PETTER.

\* First peal in seven methods. First peal as conductor in seven methods.

## KIRDFORD, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 28, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5160 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

MESHACK STENNING ... .. Treble	SYDNEY KITCHENER ... .. 4
GEORGE W. KILNER ... .. 2	FREDERICK BROOKS ... .. 5
PERCY DUNTON ... .. 3	VICTOR NICHOLLS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. BROOKS.

## CHURCHKIRK, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven 720's differently called.

A. CHADWICK ... .. Treble	A. INGHAM ... .. 4
*W. AARON ... .. 2	†W. HINDLE ... .. 5
F. HOLLINS ... .. 3	L. J. WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by L. J. WILLIAMS.

\* First in the method. † First away from Treble.

## NEATH, SOUTH WALES.

## THE WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's called differently.

A. HATTON ... .. Treble	R. ELLIS ... .. 4
A. J. PITMAN ... .. 2	C. HAWKINS ... .. 5
H. BOYCE ... .. 3	J. HAMMOND ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. HAMMOND.

This peal was also rung as a birthday compliment to C. Hawkins.

## THE CHART, LIMPSPFIELD, SURREY.

## THE SURREY COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN DISTRICT.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

*THOMAS FIRNAGER ... .. Treble	HYLTON F. H. TIDY ... .. 4
*CHARLES W. CLINCH ... .. 2	EDWARD E. TIDY ... .. 5
PERCIVAL C. TIDY ... .. 3	LEONARD A. TIDY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by L. A. TIDY.

\* First peal and first attempt.

## BALCOMBE.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being four 720's of Oxford Single Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

*STANLEY WOOD ... .. Treble	CHARLES HOLMAN ... .. 4
ERNEST STONER ... .. 2	CECIL J. E. GASSON ... .. 5
ALBERT STEALE ... .. 3	ALBERT E. T. GASSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. E. T. GASSON.

\* First peal.



WITHAM, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Treble Bob and one 720 of Plain Bob. Tenor 18 cwt.

VICTOR GLASS ... .. Treble	HENRY DORKING ... .. 4
WILLIAM BUTLER ... .. 2	ANDREW EVERS ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. P. MELLIN ... .. 3	ERNEST BRIGHT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. BRIGHT.

First peal of Minor by all except the ringer of the third. First peal on record by an entirely local band at this tower. All are regular Sunday service ringers.

FARNINGHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven different 720's. Tenor 10 cwt.

*ARTHUR GREGORY ... .. Treble	ALBERT BATES ... .. 4
JESSE COUCHMAN ... .. 2	FRANK MASON ... .. 5
*WILLIAM WINGATE ... .. 3	CAPT. A. E. SHELTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. BATES.

\* First peal. Rung by the local band.

CHARING, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores. Tenor 13½ cwt.

LESLIE WOLLEY ... .. Treble	JOE EDWARDS ... .. 4
WALLACE GOOD ... .. 2	FRED GOOD ... .. 5
SID. HOPPER ... .. 3	WILLIAM HENNIKER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRED GOOD.

First peal by all except the ringers of the 4th and 5th. First peal as conductor. L. Wolley was elected a member of the association before starting.

HANLEY CASTLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Gabriel,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

CHARLES ALLEN ... .. Treble	ERNEST GIBBS ... .. 4
JOHN BAYLISS ... .. 2	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 5
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. CAMM.

Rung also for the eleventh anniversary of the wedding of the ringer of the 4th, which fell again on Shrove Tuesday.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSRURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor. Tenor 10½ cwt.

*ERNEST BAILEY ... .. Treble	*FREDERICK WADE ... .. 4
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... .. 2	*GEORGE LEE ... .. 5
EDGAR BAILEY ... .. 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

\* First peal in seven methods.

**HELD OVER.**

Numerous other peals and touches than those appearing in this issue have been received, but are unavoidably held over until next week.

We are also compelled to hold over reports of several meetings and letters to the Editor.

**THE ROYAL WEDDING.**

The bells of many English churches rang out on Tuesday, February 28th, in honour of the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles, K.G., D.S.O. Never perhaps in history were there so many wedding bells rung for the marriage of a King's daughter.

The new peal in the lofty tower of Westminster Abbey played their part in the ceremony, and the bells in the towers in town and village reminded the people of the happy event, and provided the outward symbol of joy which was felt in all loyal hearts.

Unfortunately the peal attempt at the Abbey was unsuccessful, but in accordance with the arrangements made the bells were kept going for over three hours. The Abbey company, who had the good fortune to be able to witness the wedding ceremony, were entertained after the ringing in the old Abbots' Dining Hall.

A large number of peal attempts were successful, as will be seen from our peal columns, and below are given particulars of some of the lesser performances:

**OXFORD.**—Oxford Society.—At St. Ebbe's Church 2,520 Minor in three methods, being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, 720 Oxford Single Bob, and 360 College Single, in 1 hr. 20 mins.: G. Stace 1, G. Stone 2, H. Tolley (longest length) 3, W. H. B. Wilkins (conductor) 4, F. Clinkard 5, W. Harris 6.

**HOLBETON, DEVON.**—At the Parish Church, on Tuesday, Feb. 28th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: F. Williams 1, F. Laphorn 2, Rev. E. S. Powell (conductor) 3, B. Miller 4, C. B. Browne 5, W. B. Browne 6.

**OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.**—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: R. Evans 1, R. Martin 2, J. Hughes 3, W. B. Kynaston 4, H. Jarman 5, R. Edwards 6, E. Jones (conductor) 7, G. Beaton 8.

**BRAINTREE.**—At the Parish Church, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major, composed by B. Thorpe: C. H. Howard (conductor) 1, W. Sadler 2, Geo. Wiffen (first quarter-peal) 3, G. W. Melbourne 4, H. E. Hammond 5, G. Lindridge 6, F. Ely 7, H. J. Collins 8. The bells were afterwards fired.

**WATFORD.**—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 53 mins.: \*S. Hoare 1, \*G. Seaman 2, W. E. Oakley 3, \*Rev. O. F. Ayerst 4, W. Norris 5, F. Edwards (conductor) 6, W. Hewitt 7, H. J. Wise 8. \* First quarter. † First-quarter away from treble.

**LUTON, BEDS.**—At the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 50 mins.: F. Hunt 1, A. King 2, A. Smith 3, O. Rollings 4, W. Payne 5, B. Wilson 6, T. Kendall 7, L. A. Goodenough (conductor) 8.

**CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.**—Touches of Stedman, Bob Major and Grandsire Triples were rung by: J. Gardner, G. Johnson, F. Butcher, Misses D. and M. Attwell, T. Attwell, W. G. Brockhurst, G. and T. Luff, J. D. Newberry, M. Smithers and A. J. Bartlett.

**COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.**—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: W. Crawford 1, R. Evans 2, J. Hanley 3, W. Wase 4, R. Jones 5, J. Garbett 6, W. Lago (composer and conductor) 7, A. Garbett 8.

**STANTON, SHROPSHIRE.**—A quarter-peal of Doubles, comprising 1 six-score of Canterbury Pleasure, 4 six-scores of Plain Bob; and 5½ six-scores of Grandsire, each called differently, in 45 mins.: H. Clay (first attempt for a quarter-peal) 1, W. Clay 2, A. White (first quarter on a bob bell) 3, W. Lycett 4, E. V. Rodenhurst (conductor) 5, A. Shotton 6.

**WIRKSWORTH, DERBYSHIRE.**—Midland Counties Association.—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): F. Turner 1, G. H. Bowmer 2, B. Hilditch 3, T. H. Greator 4, W. Fox 5, F. Johnson 6, B. Greator (conductor) 7, H. Hibbitt (first quarter-peal) 8.

**LONG STANTON, CAMBS.**—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: J. B. Woolley 1, F. Cook 2, Miss V. Shorter 3, G. Crisp 4, — Hazel 5, Geo. Cook (conductor) 6, H. G. Benson 7, A. G. Rivers 8.

**STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.**—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 44 mins.: Miss Stella Disney 1, T. Cooper (first quarter-peal) 2, N. Walker 3, C. Brown 4, T. Atkins 5, F. E. Wilson 6, C. Briggs (conductor) 7, W. Briggs 8.

**LINCOLN.**—At St. Peter-at-Gowt's Church, a date touch of 1,922 changes of Bob Minor was rung in 65 mins., by: W. Pannell 1, G. Collins 2, H. Lowman 3, W. H. Lloyd 4, W. Bettles 5, E. H. Hurst (conductor) 6.

**BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.**—At St. Michael's Church, at the time of the Royal Wedding, 630 Oxford Bob Triples: W. T. Prior 1, F. Bird 2, H. J. Tucker (conductor) 3, H. M. White 4, H. Champness 5, W. W. Tucker 6, P. Springham 7, C. Kidgwell 8. Also 630 Grandsire Triples: W. T. Prior 1, F. Bird (conductor) 2, H. J. Tucker 3, H. M. White 4, H. Champness 5, W. W. Tucker 6, P. Springham 7, W. Wilkinson 8. During the afternoon 644 Oxford Bob Triples: H. M. White 1, F. Bird (conductor) 2, W. T. Prior 3, H. J. Tucker 4, H. Champness 5, W. W. Tucker 6, P. Springham 7, W. Wilkinson 8.

**BEDFORD.**—At St. Paul's Church, 1,025 Grandsire Caters: R. Shimman 1, F. Smith 2, H. Tysoe 3, Miss E. Steel 4, H. J. Harlow 5, E. Tingey 6, C. Chasty 7, F. Webb (conductor) 8, H. L. Harlow 9, S. G. Harlow 10.

**SOUTH WIGSTON.**—At St. Thomas's Church, 768 changes of Kent Tieble Bob Major: S. Cheney 1, H. Brown 2, G. Burton 3, J. Clarke 4, E. Jelley 5, A. Bell 6, J. Carter 7, L. Willars (conductor) 8. An attempt for a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was made, which unfortunately came to grief just half-way.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, an attempted peal of Grandsire Triples (Holt's Original) was called round owing to a change course, after one hour and 18 mins.: R. A. Fosdike 1, T. A. Easterby 2, E. J. Pannett 3, G. R. Simmonds 4, W. J. Jeffries 5, A. Bradley 6, E. B. Crowder (conductor) 7, H. J. Norgate 8.

**BLUNSDON.**—At St. Leonard's Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Doubles (1,260 changes), consisting of three 120's of St. Simon, three of Plain Bob and 4½ of Grandsire, in 45 mins.: E. Ball 1, W. Trueman 2, A. Lovelock 3, A. Trueman 4, J. Vincent (first quarter as conductor) 5, A. Dennis 6.

**CROYDON.**—At St. John the Baptist's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: H. J. Skelt 1, J. Rumble 2, J. Cooper (first in the method) 3, J. Talbot 4, R. Packham 5, A. T. Jones 6, A. W. Clark (conductor) 7, J. Cawley 8.

**ACTON.**—An attempt was made for 'Holt's Original' peal of Grandsire Triples, which came to grief after two hours' good ringing: E. E. Easton 1, Robt. A. Fardon (conductor) 2, S. D. Breeze 3, E. W. Coulson 4, H. G. Wincote 5, Robt. Holloway 6, G. R. Fardon 7, J. W. Fruin 8. This was the first attempt as conductor by R. A. Fardon, who is only 18 years old.

**STANSTED, ESSEX.**—A quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins., by the following: G. Gray 1, G. Jordan 2, T. Jordan 3, W. Prior 4, A. Jordan 5, H. Watts 6, T. J. Watts (conductor) 7, J. Prior 8. The ringer of the treble was congratulated by the band, as he is now over 80 years of age.

**MILES PLATTING, LANCs.**—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 45 mins.: J. Hall 1, Miss E. Tonge 2, R. F. Deal (conductor) 3, P. Shuker 4, G. H. Shuker 5, W. H. Shuker 6, J. W. Washbrook, senr., 7, P. C. G. Pye 8.

**STAUNTON-ON-ARROW.**—Hereford Diocesan Guild.—At St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles (1,260 changes), in 40 mins. by: W. Moore 1, J. Preece 2, A. Talbot (conductor) 3, G. Stirton 4, F. Lane 5, J. Miles 6. First quarter-peal for the ringers of treble, fourth and tenor. The above are regular service ringers at this tower.

**PUTNEY.**—At St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: C. Moody 1, H. Rowland 2, C. Cheoet 3, T. Bolton 4, W. Worsley 5, J. Herbert 6, E. Cassell (conductor) 7, H. Whanslow 8. Rung during the progress of the ceremony in Westminster Abbey.

**SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.**—At Christ Church, 720 Cambridge Surprise Royal: A. R. Glasscock 1, J. Armstrong 2, G. Bester 3, E. G. Tomlinson 4, G. W. Fletcher 5, N. A. Tomlinson 6, W. Pickworth 7, H. Muller 8, J. E. Muller 9, S. Wade (conductor) 10. Also 557 Grandsire Caters, with A. G. Crane, D. Pink and G. Ricot (longest length) taking part.

**WELLS.**—At the Cathedral, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 52 mins.: T. T. Hayward 1, W. J. Mills 2, F. Loxton 3, H. Fry 4, E. G. Lush 5, A. E. Mills 6, W. Farley (conductor) 7, H. G. Farley and G. Hopkins 8 (52 cwt.).

**HITCHIN, HERTS.**—At St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major (1,264 changes), in 50 mins.: H. Else 1, E. W. Day 2, E. J. Newell 3, L. Fidler 4, H. E. Day 5, J. Hare 6, W. J. Croft (composer) 7, G. T. Croft (conductor) 8.

**LONDON.**—At St. Stephen's, Coleman Street, E.C., a quarter-peal (1,248 changes) of Double Norwich Major: T. Walker 1, F. I. Haire 2, E. F. Pike 3, W. H. Hewett (conductor) 4, O. W. Grimwood 5, J. E. Davis 6, J. A. Trollope 7, W. Nudds 8. A peal was to have been attempted, but owing to shortness of time the above was substituted.

**ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On February 28th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: W. Rogers 1, W. Smith 2, F. Hammond 3, E. Bishop, junr., 4, E. Bishop, senr., 5, C. Brasier 6, H. Hammond 7, W. Hammond 8.

**PENDLETON, LANCs.**—At St. Thomas' Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples, in 45 mins.: F. Smith 1, G. Turner 2, S. Greenhalgh 3, J. Winterbottom 4, R. Davis 5, H. Chapman 6, A. F. Bailey (conductor) 7, H. Greenhalgh 8.

**PONTEFRAC.**—An attempt was made for a peal of Stedman Caters, but after passing 3,000 changes, in 2 hours, a quick six was turned into a slow one, and 'stand' had to be called to the disappointment of all the band: J. H. Lenton (conductor) 1, W. Pearson 2, A. Walker, senr., 3, A. Walker, junr., 4, W. Hawley 5, J. Carter 6, T. Holder 7, H. Walters 8, J. Fryer 9, J. Jackson 10.

**LEWES.**—At St. John the Baptist's Church, Southover, a quarter-peal of 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: W. Boyes 1, R. Hide 2, B. Heasman 3, W. Pelling 4, B. Errey 5, A. J. Turner 6, R. J. Dawe (conductor) 7, W. Ward 8.

**SOLIHULL.**—An attempt for a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was lost, after 1,100 changes: C. Bragg 1, E. C. Shepherd (conductor) 2, H. Bragg 3, S. Bragg 4, H. Shepherd 5, R. Bragg 6, J. Bragg 7, W. Leeson 8.

**HENFIELD, SUSSEX.**—At St. Peter's Church, 1,008 Stedman Triples, in 38 mins.: W. Markwell 1, F. Parsons 2, C. Barnes 3, E. Lish 4, A. E. Baker 5, A. Baigent 6, W. J. Allis (conductor) 7, A. Hodges 8.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and**

**Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD**

**LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**in Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The first peal of Treble Twelve was rung on March 12th, 1758, at St. Saviour's, Southwark, by the College Youths, where, on March 10th, 1784, the Ancient Society rang 7,008 of Oxford Treble Bob Maximus in 5 hrs. 48 mins. The tenor was rung single-handed by Samuel Muggeridge, who some time previously had left the Cumberlands to join the rival society. This remained the record length of twelve-in until the year 1802.

The first peal on the bells at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields was 6,006 of Grandsire Cinques rung by the London Scholars on March 4th, 1727. On the following day, on the same bells, the College Youths—who seem to have been kept out of the tower until the Scholars had scored the first peal—rang a peal of 6,314 Grandsire Cinques. This peal was called by Benjamin Annable.

On March 14th, 1837, a peal of 10,133 Grandsire Caters was rung in 5 hrs. 54 mins., at Christ Church, Bristol. This was the longest peal rung in that city, and was composed and called by William Smith. Two men rang the tenor, which is a 20 cwt. bell.

On March 16th, 1767, a peal of 10,080 Bob Major was rung at Debenham, in 6 hrs. 1 min., a performance never before accomplished by eight men without assistance on such great bells. According to 'Bell's Life,' the Debenham ringers on March 16th, 1867, celebrated the centenary by 'ringing several peals on their bells.'

On March 16th, 1865, the first peal of Violet Treble Bob Major was rung at St. Peter's, Huddersfield.

Among those who rang for the wedding of Princess Mary was Mr. George Gray, who, although over 80 years of age, took part in a quarter-peal of Stedman at Stansted, Essex.

The Rector of Birmingham (Canon E. Grose Hodge) has evidently great faith in the abilities of St. Martin's band to score peals. He announced in the Birmingham papers that a peal would be rung, lasting about 3½ hours, for the Royal Wedding, and the announcement attracted a large number of people to the famous Bull Ring. Happily, the ringers did not let their Rector down, and the peal—Stedman Cinques—was duly 'landed.' The Rector brought a party of friends and remained throughout the peal.

The peal of Cambridge, rung at Worcester for the Royal Wedding, was the first by the revived society of All Saints' Youths, an organisation that existed in the city over half a century ago, and, judging by the records in the tower, were proficient in Treble Bob.

Following upon the gathering of College Youths at Paisley, reported last week, eight members of the Ancient Society rang a peal of Grandsire Triples at Edinburgh last Saturday. We understand it is 48 years since the society rang the last one there. At the time of going to press the full report of the performance had not reached us.

On the Royal wedding day, three generations of the family of Symonds—father, son and grandson—took part in a peal together at Lavenham, Suffolk. Has this, we are asked, been done before?

Mr. G. R. Newton writes to say that the peal of Treble Bob Major at Halewood, and published in our issue of Feb. 24th, was rung on Feb. 18th, 1922, not 1921, as printed. He makes the correction, as the case of Emberton, mentioned last week, shows it is possible to have peals reported a year after they are rung.

## NEW BELL AT BARLEY.

CONTEMPLATED A CENTURY AGO.

On Sunday, February 26th, the Archdeacon of St. Albans (the Ven. Hon. Kenneth Gibbs, M.A.) dedicated an additional bell to the ring of five in the tower of the Parish Church of St. Margaret, Barley, Herts. These five bells are mentioned in the registers as having been in position in the time of Queen Elizabeth, and were of the united weight of over 37 cwt. In 1807 they were recast by Thomas Mears and Son, and room was left in the old wooden frame for a sixth bell.

The Archdeacon, in his simple yet striking address, mentioned that this old frame came out of the ancient oak wood in the parish, of which a few trees still remain. Messrs. Day and Son, of Eye, who hung the new bell (cast by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of London), were much impressed with the remarkable soundness and hardness of this old wood, which is in as good a condition as ever.

As the Archdeacon, the Rector (the Rev. J. Frome Wilkinson), and other clergy, the churchwardens, and choir, left the belfry to return to the chancel, the Barley band rang a touch of Bob Minor.

During the afternoon ringers also came from Anstey, Barkway, Baldock, Fulbourn, Royston, and a lady ringer (the first to take part in the ringing in Barley Church) from Trumpington. The following methods were rung during the afternoon and evening: Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.

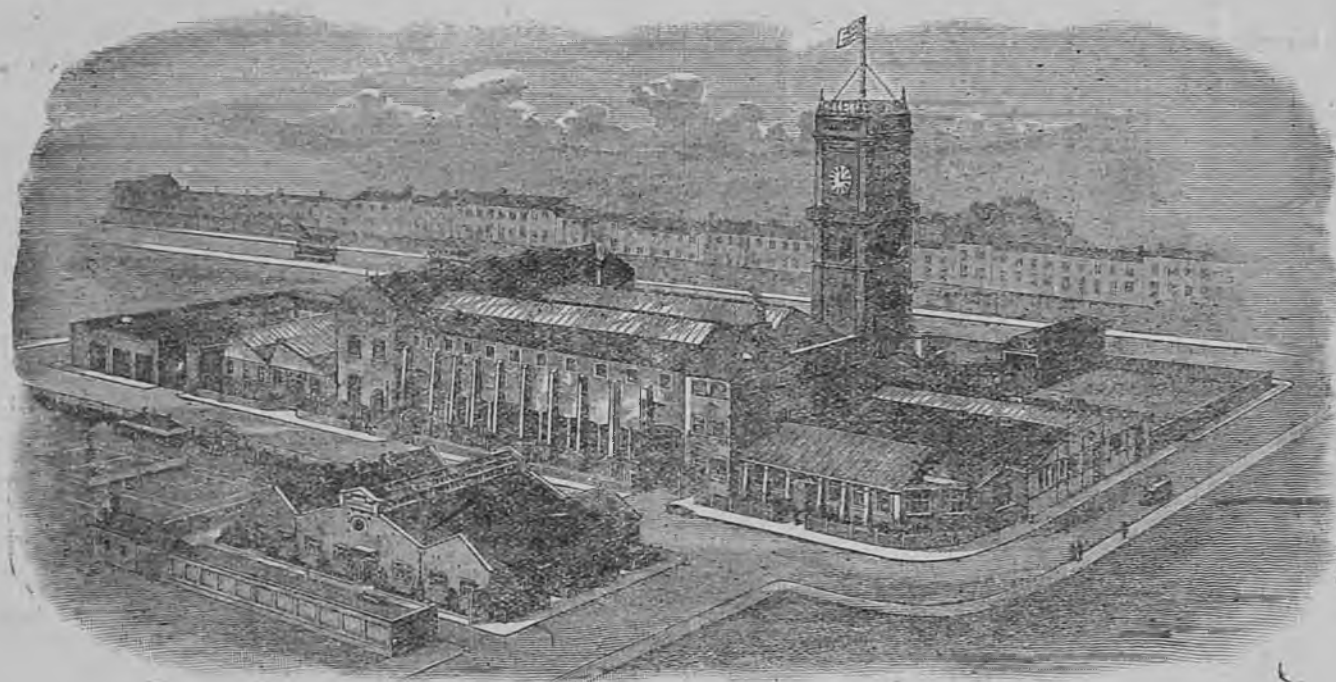
The Barley ringers kindly provided a capital and largely attended tea in the old Town House, opposite the church. The ringers are to be congratulated on their efforts in raising over £100 towards the cost of the new bell.

March 10th, 1922.

THE RINGING WORLD.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.



**THE ODD & EVEN BOB PEAL OF STEDMAN.**

MR. JOHN CARTER'S MASTERPIECE.

The figures of Mr. John Carter's new peal of Stedman Triples, containing sets of odd and even bobs in each course have now been 'released,' and will be studied with great interest. The composition is a masterpiece, and only a genius like Mr. Carter could evolve such a peal.

It was rung on January 13th for the first time, at St. George-the-Martyr's Church, Southwark, and Mr. Taffender is to be congratulated upon having called a peal of such intricacy. Whoever conducts this peal in the future will earn the highest merit.

Appended are the figures:

2314567

2314657	1	146532	5	562314	4	354621	6
243651	2	541325	6	356412	4	653214	6
264513	2	345261	6	453126	6	256143	6
256134	2	243615	6	145623	4	125346	4
215346	2	265413	7	462135	5	312845	4
		641235	5	164352	6	613452	6
423651	3	246351	6	361524	6	416523	6
642153	4	435216	5	652341	5	514236	6
415632	5	234165	6	365142	4	215364	6
614325	6	316254	5	163425	6	321465	4
132654	5	213646	6	461253	6	432561	4
631542	8	154263	5	264531	6	534612	6
534621	6	251634	6	526134	4	635124	6
342516	5	563241	5	152436	4	136245	6
543162	6	624513	5	451362	6	231456	6
512463	7						

The figures to the right of the course-ends indicate the calling of the respective courses as below:

1.	2	4.5.6.7	8.9.10	12.13	17
2.	2	5.6.7	9.10		14
3.	2	5.8.6.7.8	11		
4.	2	4.5.6.7	9.10.11		14
5.	2	6.7	9		14
6.	2	6.7	9.10.11		14
7.	2	4.5.6.7	9		14

**OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**

JUBILEE CELEBRATION.

The Oxford University Society, which was formed in February, 1872, celebrated its jubilee on Monday, February 20th and a number of past members came up for the occasion. The proceedings opened with an attempt at a peal of Stedman Triples on the bells of St. Mary's Church, Woodstock, by the Rev. Canon G. F. Coleridge, the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, and Alderman J. S. Pritchett, Recorder of Lincoln (past members); R. E. Havard (hon. secretary), H. Miles (Master), and J. F. Russell (present members), W. H. B. Wilkins (Master of the Oxford City Society), and Mrs. A. E. Lock (Abingdon). The Master of the University Society acted as conductor. Owing to a slight mishap to one of the ropes, the peal came to grief after 1½ hours' good ringing.

At 4.30 p.m., the society gathered at New College to be photographed, the Right Rev. Bishop Shaw (President), the Rev. the Warden of New College, the Rev. Canon H. E. Nolloth, Mr. G. H. Phillott, and Mr. A. M. Trendall (hon. treasurer), being among the numerous assembly.

After accepting the kind invitation of Bishop Shaw to tea at Christ Church, the society rang for an hour at St. Giles's Church, and afterwards took part in two hours' ringing at New College, the methods being Grandsire, Stedman and Kent Treble Bob Major.

It was a great pleasure to welcome the former members who came for this occasion, and their visit will undoubtedly give an impetus to the activities of the society.

The Oxford University Society, unlike that of Cambridge, has suffered in the past by having no permanent members of the University on its active official list; but it is more fortunate at present, for its President is the Right Rev. Bishop Shaw, Archdeacon of Oxford, who is very enthusiastic in forwarding the work of the society. During the war, and for some years before, the society did little or nothing; but in Hilary Term, 1921, it received fresh vigour, so that today the roll of resident members contains the names of some three dozen keen ringers who represent no less than fourteen of the Oxford Colleges.

On Princess Mary's wedding day a number of the members of the University Society co-operated with the City ringers in ringing joyous touches on the bells of the Cathedral, New College and Magdalen College. In each case the bells were rung up in peal fired, and then tapped in Grandsire Caters. This co-operation of 'town and gown' in the Exercise is a specially pleasing feature of the activities of the society, and it is looking forward with enthusiasm and pleasure to a very successful period in the future.

**LADIES' GUILD.**

SOUTHERN DISTRICT MEETING AT STAINES.

The members of the Southern District of the Ladies' Guild, and their friends, spent a most enjoyable time at Staines on Saturday last. The bells at St. Peter's were in readiness at three o'clock, and short touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Bob Major, Treble Bob, and rounds, were rung to enable everyone to have a pull. The service touch was rung by: Miss Griffen (Staines) 1, Miss B. Mills (Aldershot) 2, Miss Nye (Bagshot), conductor, 3, W. Lawrence (West Ealing) 4, Miss H. F. Mills (Aldershot) 5, Miss Stella Davis (Bucklebury) 6, Miss V. Robinson (Wokingham) 7, Hector Hunt (Yorktown) 7.

The Guild service was conducted by the Rev. F. Marriott, who gave an interesting address, and extended a hearty welcome to the visitors. Sir Edward and Lady Clarke were present at the service, but were unfortunately unable to join the party for tea. When all had done justice to an excellent meal, a vote of thanks was accorded to the Rev. F. Marriott for his kindness and generosity.

The ladies then 'ordered' the gentlemen back to the tower whilst they held their business meeting, which, with Miss Robinson in the chair, was quickly carried through. Misses Griffen, Riggs, Mackie and Gundry, of St. Peter's, were admitted to the Guild, and after a short discussion it was agreed to hold the next meeting at Chertsey, on Saturday, May 13th.

After a little more ringing at St. Peter's a move was made for St. Mary's, where again everything was in readiness. The standard methods were rung, but when an attempt was made for Double Norwich the treble rope broke for the second time, and it being eight o'clock, the ringers took this as a sign that it was time to depart to their respective homes.

The following towers were represented: Aldershot, Bagshot, Bucklebury, Chertsey, Farnborough, Sandhurst, Slough, South Ealing, West Ealing, Wokingham, Yorktown, and the two local towers.

The meeting of the Western District for last Saturday, March 4th, at Weston-super-Mare, had to be postponed owing to a sudden death near the church on Friday. The secretary hopes she was successful in letting all those who had intended going, know of the change. She hopes to be able to rearrange the meeting for Saturday, March 25th, in which case all arrangements would hold good.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

The pre-Lent meeting of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association was held at Chester-le-Street on Saturday, February 25th. Members (including two ladies) and friends, to the number of 48, attended from Newcastle, Gateshead, Whitley Bay, Sunderland, West Hartlepool, Darlington, Wulaton, and Blagdon. The bells (a fine ring of eight, tenor 22 cwt.) were kept going throughout the afternoon and evening to the tune of London, Cambridge, Kent, Double Norwich, Plain Bob, Stedman and Grandsire, so that all could have a pull. The Chester-le-Street ladies, Miss Donison and Miss Green, are to be congratulated upon their excellent ringing and striking in Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tea was served in the Church Institute, and thoroughly enjoyed. The Rector and churchwardens were present, and were accorded a hearty vote of thanks, at the conclusion of the meal, for their kindness in allowing the use of the bells and the Church Institute.

There was no business meeting, but it was intimated that the memorial would be put in hand shortly and placed in Newcastle Cathedral, and that the reports were in hand and would be completed as soon as possible.

It is interesting to note that Chester-le-Street Church was once the Cathedral of the Diocese of Durham, and that a large portion of the present income of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners comes from the original endowment of the church which included all the land between the Wear and the Tyne.

**W. W. GIFFORD MEMORIAL FUND.**

Amount previously acknowledged, £8 19s. 6d.; St. Thomas' company ringers, Salisbury, £1; Rev. C. J. Sturton, 3s. 6d.; a ringer, 1s.; total, £9 4s.

Contributions should be sent to Mr. L. Harris, Britford, near Salisbury, or Mr. F. W. Romaine, secretaries.

**LATE NOTICES.**

**ASHTREAD, SURREY.**—Combined practices are held in this tower every Thursday, 7 till 9 p.m. (Grandsire to Superlative). All ringers welcome.—A. Harman, 27, Poplar Avenue, Leatherhead.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Grappenhall Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Daresbury, on Saturday, March 18th, commencing at 3.30 p.m.—Jno. E. Ashcroft, Hon. Sec.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## EASTERN DISTRICT AND THE PONTEFRACT TOWERS.

The annual meeting of the Eastern District of the Yorkshire Association was held at Selby on Saturday, February 18th, by the kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. Canon Solloway). The fine peal of ten by Taylor and Co., with a tenor of 25½ cwt., were at the disposal of ringers, and various touches in the standard methods were successfully brought round.

Choral evensong was attended by between forty and fifty visitors, representing towers at Doncaster, Goole, Hemmingboro', Howden, Hull, Market Weighton, Pontefract, Sutton, Thorne, York. An inspiring address was delivered by the Vicar, who gave the members a most hearty welcome, and said he marvelled at the enthusiasm of ringers for their work. He wished that other branches of church workers would display as much earnestness in their respective duties as did ringers.

Selby Abbey, dedicated to SS. Mary and Germanus, may be instanced as the most perfectly preserved specimen of a monastic church in Yorkshire. The antiquity of the noble edifice may be gauged by the different styles of architecture—Norman, Transitional, Early English, Decorated and Perpendicular. Its great glory is its choir, described by the late Sir Gilbert Scott as 'in the finest Decorated or middle-pointed style, and of the most perfect design and execution.' The wonderful restored east window has been accorded second rank among the splendid examples of its class in the world. The proportion of its parts, the beauty of the tracery, and the slender lofty mullions unsupported by transoms, are unexcelled. Another very interesting feature, in one of the choir windows (the second light of the second window from the east end of the south side) are the arms of the Washington family, the most distinguished member of which became the first President of the United States. Selby folk, of all classes and creeds, take a justifiable pride and interest in their beautiful Benedictine church, whose fine architectural proportions form a notable landmark.

The business meeting of the district was held immediately after tea in the scriptorium, the vice-president (Mr. A. E. West) being in the chair, supported by the president (the Rev. C. C. Marshall). The retiring Ringing Master (Mr. H. Fairlam, Selby) was re-elected, as were also the three retiring committeemen, Messrs. D. England (Hatfield), J. E. Pickard (Pontefract), and H. N. Imeson (York), the latter to serve on the General Committee.

Mr. W. Pearson (Pontefract) moved, and the President seconded, a vote of congratulation to Mr. F. Cryer, the genial captain of the Selby band of ringers, on his attaining his jubilee as a bell ringer.—Mr. Cryer, in acknowledging the vote, thanked the meeting most heartily for their good wishes.

The observations of the meeting were required by the General Committee of the Association, on the application of the Pontefract towers to be transferred to the Western Division. After hearing the remarks of Mr. W. Pearson, of St. Giles, an animated discussion took place, after which the following resolution was unanimously carried: 'That this meeting is of the opinion that Pontefract be retained in the Eastern Division.'

It was decided that the next meeting should be held at Sherburn and the secretary was requested to make the usual arrangements.

The customary votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells and his address at the service; also to the organist and choir for their attendance, and to the local company of ringers for their very excellent arrangements.

Ringing was again indulged in until 9 p.m., when the bells were lowered, thus bringing a most delightful meeting to a close.

## RINGER'S GOLDEN WEDDING.

## CELEBRATION AT RAUNDS.

A tea and social gathering was held in the Church Institute, Raunds, on February 25th, to celebrate the golden wedding day of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gilbert, and a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major was rung in the afternoon in honour of the event.

After tea, the Vicar (the Rev. Cecil Curtis) congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert on completing 50 years of married life, and on the way in which they had both worked for the church during that time. He hoped they might both be spared to continue that work for many years to come. He also thanked the children of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert for providing the tea.

Mr. Lawrence spoke on behalf of the children, saying how pleased they all were to be present at the golden wedding of their father and mother, and hoped they might be spared to celebrate the diamond wedding ten years hence.

Mr. Smith (brother) offered his warmest congratulations, and Mr. F. Wilford spoke on behalf of the ringers. Having been a ringer at the Parish Church for many years, Mr. Gilbert had helped a great many to learn their favourite art. He had rung over 100 peals, and had walked many miles to assist others in parishes around.

The rest of the evening was spent in harmony. Altogether an enjoyable time was spent.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

## BOYS' QUARTER-PEAL.

At Acton, on Sunday, March 5th, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Graudsire Triples (1,260 changes), from 'Holt's Original,' was rung in 42 mins. by a band of youths whose average age was only 17 years: H. A. Harding (age 16) 1, Robt. Fardon (conductor) (18) 2, C. Brown (20) 3, A. M. Stacey (15) 4, H. G. Wincote (18) 5, H. J. Hunnissett (18) 6, F. W. Goodfellow (16) 7, C. G. Cooper, first quarter (19), 8. Rung at first attempt.

CIRENCESTER, GLOS.—On Sunday, March 5th, for morning service, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): F. W. Bond 1, W. G. Cook 2, F. J. Lewis 3, H. Lewis 4, J. Butler 5, W. O. Cuss 6, H. C. Bond (conductor) 7, J. Hayward 8.

ICKLETON, CAMBS.—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, March 5th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor, 9 bobs, 8 singles: S. Brookes 1, R. Clements 2, P. C. L. Brookes 3, P. Webb (conductor) 4, W. Finton 5, A. G. Lilley 6.

DUNSTABLE.—The Bedfordshire Association.—On Sunday, Feb. 26th, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal 1,260 Graudsire Triples, in 50 mins.: B. Calcott 1, A. E. Sharman (conductor) 2, F. Ramsey 3, C. E. King 4, A. G. Matthews 5, J. B. Marks 6, G. Heley 7, R. Harris 8. First quarter-peal by the treble man, who hails from Houghton Regis. Rung with the bells half-muffled on the occasion of the unveiling the church war memorial by the Duke of Bedford.—For evening service, 420 Stedman Triples: A. E. Sharman (conductor) 1, R. Harris 2, F. Ramsey 3, G. Heley 4, F. Baldock 5, Canon Baker 6, J. B. Marks 7, A. G. Matthews 8. Also a short touch of Bob Major, with P. Ward and C. E. King for Canon Baker and F. Baldock.—On Saturday, February 25th, a muffled peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was attempted, but a change course unfortunately occurred in the 9th course, after 1 hour and 20 minutes' splendid striking. The band was: Canon Baker 1, C. Herbert 2, B. Fleet 3, D. Harris 4, E. Herbert 5, H. Smith 6, E. J. Hobbs (conductor) 7, A. E. Sharman 8.

WEST DIDSBUURY, LANCS. — On Sunday, Feb. 26th, at Christ Church, a quarter-peal of Graudsire Triples: W. Savage 1, A. Frost 2, G. Snowball 3, H. Brickill 4, W. H. Cooper 5, R. F. Deal 6, R. Davies (conductor) 7, F. Stoneley 8.

SOUTHGATE.—The Sunday service band at Southgate made an attempt on Saturday last for a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal, which was lost half-way, after 1 hr. 42 mins.: A. R. Glasscock 1, J. Armstrong 2, G. Bester 3, E. G. Tomlinson 4, G. W. Fletcher 5, N. A. Tomlinson 6, W. Pickworth 7, H. Miller 8, J. E. Miller 9, S. Wade (conductor) 10. The attempt was the longest in the method by all except the ringers of the 2nd and 5th. Both on February 16th and 23rd the same band rang 1,080 Cambridge Surprise Royal.

DEPTFORD, KENT.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on Sunday, February 26th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Graudsire Triples: E. W. Pannett 1, E. B. Crowder 2, J. Crowder 3, H. J. Norgate 4, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 5, T. A. Easterby 6, A. Bradley 7, A. F. Bennington 8.

PAISLEY. — On Sunday, Feb. 26th, for evening service, at St. James' United Free Church, two three courses of Bob Minor, with 7-8 covering: A. J. Rodger 1, A. E. Wrecks (conductor) 2, R. Thorn 3, T. O'Hara 4, W. H. Cooper 5, J. Porteous 6, R. Clark 7, J. Hobman 8. This is Mr. Cooper's first ringing in Scotland, his attention having been drawn to Paisley through seeing in the columns of 'The Ringing World' an account of some ringing done three or four weeks ago.

WALTHAM ST. LAWRENCE, BERKS.—On Sunday, Feb. 25th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor, for evening service: J. Cooper, junr., 1, J. Cooper, senr., 2, C. V. Darvill 3, R. J. Darvill 4, G. Martin 5, W. Mortimer (conductor) 6.

NORTH MYMMS, HERTS.—On Sunday, February 19th, for evening service, 504 Bob Triples: G. Spencer, senr., 1, J. Day 2, B. Brewer 3, C. Nash 4, G. Spencer 5, F. Nash 6, W. Nash (conductor) 7, W. Tyler 8. This is the first 500 of Triples rung for service by the local band.

## USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

## 1,008 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

334567

354267 2 3

524367 2 3

327549 S2 4

Five times repeated. Contains all combinations of 467 at back stroke. May be brought round at 504 changes by single for bob at 3rd part end.

A. J. PITMAN.

## 720 DOUBLE COURT MINOR.

23456

56423 1

S 62354 3

(S) 54326 1

63542 4

P.L. 42356 1

Five times repeated, omitting the (S) in the 3rd and 6th parts.

H. W. WILDE.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WORKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A quarterly meeting of the above district will be held at Yorktown on Saturday, March 11th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and meeting in the Parish Room after service. All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Owlsmore, Camberley.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on Saturday, March 11th. Bells ready at 3 punctually. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea (1/- per head) at 5.30; business meeting following. The bells of St. Mary's (10), Walthamstow, will be available for ringing from 7.30 to 9.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood St., E.17.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Kendal, on Saturday, March 11th. Bells (10) available all day. Tea at 4 o'clock, followed by business meeting. A good attendance of ringers is desired.—W. T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next Branch meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Helmshore, on Saturday, March 11th. Bells ready from 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. Subscriptions are now due. Annual reports to hand. A good attendance is earnestly requested.—John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting of the above Association will be held at Bitton on Saturday, March 11th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 o'clock in the Parish Hall.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Widnes and Farnsworth on Saturday, March 11th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, Branch Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Broughton on March 11th. Bells (6), available from 3 p.m. Buses from Preston run past the Church.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—A meeting will be held at Berkhamstead on March 11th. Bells available at 3 p.m. A short service will be held in the Parish Church. Tea and meeting to follow.—F. J. Reeve, Hon. Dist. Sec., Tring.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Guilborough District.—A quarterly meeting of the above will be held at East Haddon, on Saturday, March 11th. Bells available 2.30.—William Bott, Dist. Sec., Guilborough.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Meetings for practice, Mondays at 7.30 p.m., Bishopsgate, March 13th, St. Clement Danes, March 20th. Quarterly General

Meeting, St. Clement Danes, April 3rd, 6.30 p.m. Sundays at 10 a.m., St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Oak Cottages, Farnburn Avenue, Slough.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, second Monday, and St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus on the 16th and 30th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 21st and Southwark Cathedral on the 28th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Philip's, Chester Street, off Oxford Road, on Saturday, March 18th. Bells at 3.30. Meeting at 7 o'clock. Will members please turn up early?—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Kempston on Saturday, March 18th. Bells from 2.30. Tea in the Schoolroom, close to church. Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—H. L. Harlow, Dist. Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held at East Crompton on Saturday, March 18th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting 6.30. A good attendance is requested.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton, Manchester.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Wotton-under-Edge on Saturday, March 18th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock in the Parish Room.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Saxmundham District.—An important meeting of the above will be held at the Angel Hotel, Saxmundham, on Saturday, March 18th, at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Bells of the Parish Church available after noon and evening. All ringers are welcome.—George Wilson, Hon. Sec., 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Stourbridge on Saturday, March 18th. Ringing at 4 o'clock.—A. Davies, 29, Hampton Street, Netherton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. George's, Bolton, on Saturday, March 18th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, March 18th, at St. Mary's, Battersea. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14A, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—The annual meeting will be held at Handsworth, Sheffield, on Sat., March 18th. Bells (8) from 2 o'clock. Ser-

vice at 4.30, preacher, The Lord Bishop of Sheffield. Tea at 1/3 each will be provided immediately after service in the Schoolroom. Business meeting after tea. The Annual Report will be on sale price 2/- per copy.—F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 18, Royston Avenue, Doncaster.

**ELLAND, ST. MARY'S CHURCH.**—These bells have been rehung by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, and will be officially reopened for ringing on Saturday, March 18th. Bells available from 1 to 9 p.m. Service in the Church at 4 p.m. Tea in the Parish Room at 5 p.m. at 1/3 each. All wishing to have tea must notify Geo. H. Simon, 72, Park Road, Elland, not later than March 11th. All visitors welcome.

**BRIGHTON & DISTRICT RINGING SOCIAL GUILD.**—Free invitation to all in the Social aspect of ringing to attend the meeting of the new Guild, to be held at the proposed headquarters, the Prince Albert Hotel (adjoining Brighton Station), on Tuesday, 21st March. Assemble 8 p.m. Important business meeting, 8.15 sharp; smoker to follow. Turn up and meet your old ringing friends!—A. York Bramble, Hon. Sec., Addison Lodge, Montifore Road, Hove.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A Dance and Social Evening has been arranged by above to take place on Saturday, 25th March, at 7 p.m., at the Parish Hall, Christ Church, Spitalfields. Tickets 1/6 each to include refreshments. Same can be obtained from Mr. J. Bullock, 56, Halliford St., Essex Rd.; Mr. A. D. Barker, Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Slough; Mr. A. Howell, 68, Rosebery Place, Dalston, E 8, and myself. Welcome to everybody.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Sec., 57, Market St., W.2.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Blackburn Parish Church on Saturday, March 25th (10 bells). Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual Committee Meeting.—This meeting will be held at Oxford on Saturday, April 1st (D.V.). Unless advised to the contrary, members of committee will meet in Chapter House, Christ Church, at 3.15 p.m. Notice of motion should reach the General Secretary at least ten days before that date.—R. T. Hibbert, Sec., Warren House Lodge, St. Peter's Avenue, Caversham.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preliminary Notice.—A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Pontefract on Easter Monday, April 17th. Further details later.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec. Yorkshire Association, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Preliminary Notice.—The Annual meeting will be held in Bristol on Whit Monday, June 5th.—Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's Hill, Bristol.

**LADIES GUILD.**—I beg to remind members that subscriptions for 1922 are now due and should be sent either direct to me or to District Secretaries.—Edith K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 17, Wellington Road, Enfield.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

### SITUATION WANTED.

**CHANGE RINGER** on 6 and 8 requires job as JOINER, with experience in Cabinet trade. Willing to instruct beginners.—Tembey, 28, King Street, Cleator, Cumberland.

### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

### HANDBELLS WANTED.

**WANTED.**—A peal of Eight or Ten HANDBELLS.—Apply with price and particulars in first instance to Mr. P. J. Johnson, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**  
LIMITED,  
**COVENTRY.**  
MAKERS SINCE 1730.

### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.  
**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

### PEAL CARDS, 3/6 Dozen.

REPORT BOOKS, BALANCE SHEETS, RECEIPT BOOKS  
STATIONERY.

### SUPPORT FELLOW RINGERS.

**GOOD,** The Ringers' Printers,  
Bros. D., 31, Prestonville Rd., Brighton.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

- ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.
- GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.
- STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.
- STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.
- TEEBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.
- PART II.—At present out of print.
- DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.
- All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the Hon. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY	...	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods)	...	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	1	0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

JOHN PRITCHARD,  
Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed, Hand-  
bells in sets Chromatic or Diatonic.



#### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

#### RINGERS' PENDANT

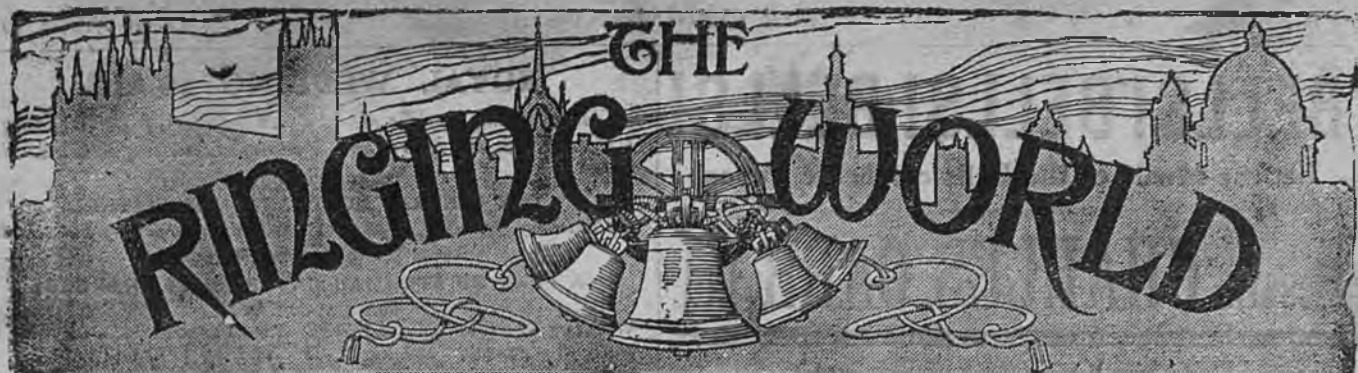
In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER, Goldsmith and Jeweller,**  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING **WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 574. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, MARCH 17th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

### CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

## BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### A REGISTER OF COMPOSITIONS.

The friendly controversy now going on in our columns as to who has the prior claim to certain compositions once again directs attention to the desirability for an official register of these productions. In the case of the peal of Grandsire Triples, for example, there is no question that it was obtained independently by both Mr. Gabriel Lindoff and the Rev. E. Bankes James. The only point at issue is, really, who composed it first. The composition did not get published under the name of either gentleman for some long time after it was obtained, and after a lapse of so many years it is perhaps a little difficult, without precise memoranda made at the time, to settle the question. There have also been numerous instances of another kind in recent years—viz., the claim by young composers to peals which were originally obtained long before they came on the scene—peals which have been composed by genuine individual effort, but to which, of course, they are not entitled to put their names.

If a register, such as we have previously suggested, could be set up, the difficulties in both the cases mentioned could be settled satisfactorily. The right of authorship would go to the composer who first registered a composition, whether or not it had been rung or published, and it would be a help to composers of the future by providing them at once with the information whether their peals had been previously obtained. The trouble now is that they have no possibility of ascertaining with certainty whether their compositions are really new. There are a certain number of publications through which they can search, but they are not exhaustive, nor are they compiled with a view to ready reference.

Admittedly, a register would involve a good deal of labour to set up at the outset, but once established it would not be difficult to keep up to date if it were placed in the hands of someone who knew his business. Indeed, the register could very well be divided into sections and be split up among several. The point to bear in mind is, the longer the register is delayed, the greater will be the initial difficulties. The register would be a different kind of thing to the various collections of peals which the Central Council have published or intend to publish; but these collections would form a valuable nucleus upon which the register could be based, although the method of classification would, obviously, have to be different. We believe that those who give any thought to the subject will realise that the means here suggested is the only effective way of preserving the rights of authorship and securing for the future the credit which is due to composers of the past and present.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## ROYAL WEDDING PEALS.

The following peals were rung in honour of the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles, K.G., D.S.O.

NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERES, 5009 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. Treble	TOM TEBBUTT ... .. 6
JOHN METHERELL ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. 7
HERBERT RAINBOW ... .. 3	FRED WILFORD ... .. 8
BERTIE O. SODEN ... .. 4	GEORGE FLAVELL ... .. 9
FRED HOPPER ... .. 5	*WILLIAM FAREY, JUN. ... Tenor

Composed by N. J. FITSTOW. Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.

\* First peal on ten bells. Rung by all local ringers.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REEVES' VARIATION REVERSED.

STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... Treble	LAWRENCE POULSON ... .. 5
*MAURICE SYMONDS ... .. 2	FREDERICK BOREHAM ... .. 6
FREDERICK MORTLOCK ... .. 3	FREDERICK POULSON ... .. 7
FRANK TURNER ... .. 4	ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

\* First peal in the method and on tower bells. This is the first peal for the Suffolk Diocesan Association in which father, son and a grandson have taken part together.

CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD,

(St. Mary's Society.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN HAYES... .. Treble	WILLIAM SCONCE... .. 5
FRED LATHAM ... .. 2	ERNEST SMITH ... .. 6
ARTHUR G. WATKIN ... .. 3	GILBERT GERRARD ... .. 7
JAMES SWINDLEY... .. 4	ERNEST CHANNELL ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by W. SCONCE.

SHREWSBURY, SALOP.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

(St. Chad's Society.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in F sharp.

ALBERT L. SHORT ... Treble	REGINALD R. POLE ... .. 5
JAMES E. LILLEY... .. 2	WALTER FAIRHEAD ... .. 6
SAMUEL SNELSON ... .. 3	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 7
WILLIAM G. JONES ... .. 4	*DENIS J. BOUCHER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

\* First peal on eight bells; also first peal of Grandsire Triples on the new bells. Rung upon the front eight. All the above are Sunday service ringers.

KIBWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*WILLIAM BOLTON ... Treble	EDMUND LEICH ... .. 5
W. NEAL ADKINSON ... .. 2	ARTHUR MANNING ... .. 6
JACK TAYLOR ... .. 3	FRED STANFORTH ... .. 7
DICK LIFFE ... .. 4	† ERNEST ARNOLD... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. STANFORTH.

All are local men except the ringer of the 6th, who hails from Market Harborough. \* First peal away from tenor. † First peal.

HYDE, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. George,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 11 cwt. 0 qr. 11 lb. in E.

WILLIAM SHAW ... .. Treble	TOM WILDE ... .. 5
ARTHUR HAUGHTON ... .. 2	ALBERT HOUGH ... .. 6
JOHN BRIERLEY ... .. 3	BENJAMIN THORP ... .. 7
HARRY NORGROVE ... .. 4	JOSHUA HOWCROFT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by B. THORP.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

REV. E. B. JAMES' TEN-PART. Tenor 16½ cwt.

JAMES GOODSSELL ... .. Treble	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. HOAD ... .. 2	CHARLES G. CREASY ... .. 6
TRAYTON BOOTH ... .. 3	EDWARD MILLS ... .. 7
THOMAS HOAD ... .. 4	GEORGE MILLS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

STANFORD-ON-SOAR, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

* FRANCIS H. WHITTLE ... .. Treble	† JOHN W. BOOTH ... .. 5
† JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 2	† RICHARD PAINE ... .. 6
HARRY WHITTLE ... .. 3	WILLIAM THORLEY ... .. 7
THOMAS ATKINS ... .. 4	† CHRISTOPHER MARRIOTT ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by HARRY WHITTLE.

\* First peal (age 16). † First peal in the method.

CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary-within-the-Walls,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

HARRY LEWIS ... .. Treble	MARTIN HARRIS ... .. 5
EDWARD HARRISON ... .. 2	JOHN W. DAVIES ... .. 6
FRANK FOX ... .. 3	GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 7
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 4	ARTHUR HARRISON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. DAVIES.

All the ringers are members of the above tower.

EDINBURGH.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
At the Parish Church of St. Cuthbert,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.

JOSEPH E. SYKES ... .. Treble	C. CLEVELAND ELLIS ... .. 5
TOM O'HARA ... .. 2	† HENRY MANN ... .. 6
ROBERT J. G. THOM ... .. 3	ALBERT E. WREAKS ... .. 7
* TOWER R. TAYLOR ... .. 4	JOHN HOLMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. CLEVELAND ELLIS.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal.

ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.

SAMUEL WESLEY ... .. Treble	JAMES F. GEORGE ... .. 5
THOMAS H. KIRKBY ... .. 2	Cecil J. Baker ... .. 6
HENRY HARRISON ... .. 3	HERBERT TURNER ... .. 7
WILLIAM THORNLEY ... .. 4	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by EDWARD C. GOBEY.

WOOTTON BASSETT, WILTS.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CALNE BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

4, 6 and 8 covering, and 10 different callings. Tenor 19½ cwt.

* FRED BOULTER ... .. Treble	HAROLD FLEWELLING ... .. 5
HERBERT FLEWELLING ... .. 2	CHARLES CURTIS ... .. 6
LOUIS A. WILSON ... .. 3	MAURICE TUCK ... .. 7
CHARLES BARBER ... .. 4	SAMUEL LAWRENCE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by L. A. WILSON.

Also rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. M. Tuck, which took place the Saturday previous. \* First peal and first attempt.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(St. Margaret's Guild.)

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Margaret,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 33 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in C.

CHARLES CATTELL ... .. Treble	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 5
ALFRED BALLARD ... .. 2	HERBERT LOCK ... .. 6
* ERNEST E. SMITH ... .. 3	† ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. 7
JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 4	JOHN VERNON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR CATTELL.

\* First peal. † First of Triples as conductor. Rung on the back 8, the heaviest yet rung to a peal in the county.

PAISLEY, RENFREWSHIRE.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,  
At St. James' United Free Church,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

BRUERTON'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

JOSEPH E. SYKES ... .. Treble	RICHARD G. CARTER ... .. 5
ROBERT J. G. THOM ... .. 2	JOHN HOLMAN ... .. 6
THOMAS O'HARA ... .. 3	ALBERT E. WREAKS ... .. 7
JOHN E. BEVAN ... .. 4	ALEXANDER J. RODGER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH E. SYKES.

First peal ever rung in the Western half of Scotland. First peal by Mr. Roger and the first by Messrs. Bevan and Carter for over 11 years.

BELTON, RUTLAND.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(BELTON ST. PETER'S GUILD.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of 720 of Single Court, two 720's of Oxford Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr.

PTE. C. JELLEY ... .. Treble	PTE. H. KENDAL ... .. 4
CPL. H. J. CHURCHILL ... .. 2	PTE. A. BUZZARD ... .. 5
CPL. J. GROCOCK ... .. 3	PTE. F. BINDLEY, M.M. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CORPL. H. J. CHURCHILL.

First peal as conductor. All the above belong to the local band and four were wounded in the Great War, Corpl. Churchill's right arm being completely shot away on the Somme in July, 1916.

FULBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Fulbeck Bob and two 720's each of Oxford Bob, Single Court and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

VICTOR G. NISBETT ... .. Treble	CHARLES W. BAINES ... .. 4
GEORGE SCOTT ... .. 2	RICHARD W. PORTER ... .. 5
JOSEPH NORTH ... .. 3	CALEB L. SIMCOCK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE SCOTT.



BROAD HINTON, WILTS.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CALNE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
10 different callings. Tenor 10 cwt.

HERBERT FLEWELLING ... Treble	*FRED HACKER ... 4
HAROLD FLEWELLING ... 2	MAURICE TUCK ... 5
LOUIS A. WILSON ... 3	*HENRY GOUGH ... Tenor

Conducted by L. A. WILSON.

\* First peal First peal on the bells. The thanks of the band are due to the Rev. and Mrs. White for their kind hospitality after the peal.

BLAXHALL.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently.

H. GEORGE SMITH ... Treble	J. SMY ... 4
WILLIAM SMITH ... 2	ARTHUR E. SMITH ... 5
ALFRED A. LING, JUN. ... 3	ALDERMAN LING, JUN. ... Tenor

Conducted by ALDERMAN LING, JUN.

Rung also as a birthday compliment to W. Smith.

KNIGHTON, LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 14 cwt.

HENRY FARMER ... Treble	WILFRED BROTHWELL ... 3
HERBERT MARKLEY ... 2	GEORGE H. STRAW ... 4

WILLIAM H. CLARKE ... Tenor

Conducted by W. H. CLARKE.

**TEN BELL PEALS.**

APPLETON, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;**

WILLIAM HOLIFIELD ... Treble	ARTHUR H. WHITE ... 6
FREDERICK S. MACEY ... 2	FREDERICK S. WHITE ... 7
HENRY HOLIFIELD ... 3	GEORGE HOLIFIELD ... 8
JAMES W. WILKINS ... 4	RICHARD WHITE ... 9
CUTHBERT J. WHITE ... 5	FRED WHITE ... Tenor

Composed by J. COX. Conducted by GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN.

The above was rung to celebrate the 104th anniversary of the Appleton Society and bells. J. W. Wilkins hails from High Wycombe, Bucks, F. S. Macey from Smarden, Kent, the rest being local men.

IPSWICH SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5320 CHANGES;**

Tenor 32 cwt.

WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... Treble	CHARLES H. GILLINGHAM ... 6
EDWARD EVANS ... 2	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 7
JAMES ROSE ... 3	CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... 8
*ALBERT FLEMING ... 4	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... 9
*GEORGE FLEMING ... 5	FREDERICK J. TILLET ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

This composition contains the 6th, the extent home in the titlums, and plain course positions, and is now rung for the first time. \* First peal on 10 bells.

BUNGAY, SUFFOLK.—On Saturday, February 25th, on the occasion of the visit of the Bishop of the Diocese, 1,008 Bob Major: H. Barrell 1, F. Finch (longest length) 2, E. Lincoln 3, C. F. Sayer 4, C. Clarke 5, T. Beckett 6, W. Felgate 7, E. R. Goate (conductor) 8.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Feb. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DONSTAN-IN-THE-EAST, CITY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 24 cwt.

*EDGAR C. RUSSELL ... Treble	GEORGE A. CARD ... 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	WILLIAM BERRY ... 6
ERNEST J. KING ... 3	WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... 7
ROBERT G. CHAPPEL ... 4	JAMES BULLOCK ... Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal in any method away from tenor.

CUBITT TOWN, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ARTHUR MASON ... Treble	WILLIAM MILLER ... 5
GEORGE R. PYE ... 2	WILLIAM PYE ... 6
REUBEN SANDERS ... 3	HAROLD W. CLARK ... 7
ERNEST J. BUTLER ... 4	JAMES E. DAVIS ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method away from the treble.

PORT SUNLIGHT, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

*HORACE ANTHONY ... Treble	CLAUDE I. DAVIES ... 5
†WALTER J. BATTLE ... 2	HERBERT LUDKIN ... 6
†JOHN COOK ... 3	SYDNEY F. BARNES ... 7
THOMAS R. STORER ... 4	SAMUEL MOSTON ... Tenor

Conducted by H. LUDKIN.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method.

BISHOPSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb.

GEORGE GRANT ... Treble	ERNEST J. AYLIFFE ... 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... 2	D. C. WILLIAMS, F.R.C.O. ... 6
GEORGE PULLINGER ... 3	OWEN H. GILES ... 7
ARTHUR H. WILSON ... 4	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by WILLIAM T. TUCKER.

Rung as a farewell peal to the Rev. S. Sedgwick, who has been appointed to the living at Liss, near Petersfield. The ringers of 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th belong to the local band, the others to North Stoneham.

WARNHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

WALTER CHARMAN ... Treble	*PETER CHARMAN ... 5
GEORGE WOODMAN ... 2	*JOHN WHITEHEAD ... 6
WILLIAM MADGEWICK ... 3	WILLIAM STANFORD ... 7
*WESLEY PETTIFER ... 4	JOHN COOK ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WALTER CHARMAN.

\* First peal of Major. This peal was rung to celebrate the anniversary of the 13,440 Canterbury Pleasure Major rung in the tower on Mar. 1st, 1889, in which Walter Charman and G. Woodman took part.

RYNSHAM, OXON.—On February 25th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: W. Holifield 1, H. Holifield 2, Mrs. A. E. Look 3, F. S. Macey 4, A. E. Lock (conductor) 5, G. Caudwell 6.

CRAYFORD, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

MIDDLETON'S.		Tenor 12½ cwt. in F.	
*ISAAC EMERY ... .. Treble	JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 5	EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... .. 6
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... .. 2	HERBERT E. ADDSLEY ... .. 7	EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... Tenor
FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... 4			

Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

\* 250th peal.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. o gr. 9 lb.	
EDWARD GRINDLE ... .. Treble	ERNEST CURTIS ... .. 5
ERNEST E. GRINES ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. GROOM ... .. 6
PERCIVAL WOODS ... .. 3	WALTER RUFFLES ... .. 7
*FRANK RUFFLES ... .. 4	THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by W. J. GROOM

\* First peal on eight bells.

NORWICH.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL COSLANY,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.	
FRANK R. COPEMAN ... .. Treble	FREDERICK KNIGHTS ... .. 5
PERCY C. ARTIS ... .. 2	FREDERICK H. KNIGHTS ... 6
*ROBERT C. HARDY ... .. 3	JOHN E. BURTON ... .. 7
GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 4	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.  
Rung with half-muffled clappers as a last token of respect to the late Mr. James Skinner, who was for many years a much respected member of the old St. Peter Mancroft company and Norwich Scholars.

\* First peal in the method.

EPSOM, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

GEORGE COOK ... .. Treble	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 5
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 2	DAVID WRIGHT ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	WILLIAM JOINER ... .. 7
JOHN WHITE ... .. 4	*ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. ROBINSON. Conducted by ARTHUR DEAN.

\* First peal in the method as conductor and 200th peal.

SUNDERLAND.  
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS-THE-MARTYR,

**A PEAL OF REAL DOUBLE SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.	
ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. Treble	R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 5
JAMES E. GOFTON ... .. 2	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 6
JOSEPH W. PARKER ... .. 3	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 7
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER. Conducted by Wm. H. BARBER.

This is the first peal of Real Double Superlative ever accomplished. It is believed to be the first time the method has been rung in this form, no member of the band having previously made a bob at the back.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, March 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF FORWARD MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

WILLIAM BIBBY ... .. Treble	ERNEST PALMER ... .. 5
HENRY C. COLLYER ... .. 2	GEORGE H. RANGLES ... .. 6
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 3	FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 7
JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. 4	CECIL RADDON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

First peal in the method on the bells and by all the band. Rung as a welcome to Mr. E. Palmer, of Kettering, who was elected a member of the Guild previous to the peal.

WESTERHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23½ cwt. E flat.	
WILLIAM STEED ... .. Treble	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 5
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 2	FREDERICK WHITE ... .. 6
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
*AMOS W. CLARK ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

\* Fiftieth peal.

HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.	
HAROLD BUCKLER ... .. Treble	HENRY WILSON ... .. 5
EVA HOPKINS ... .. 2	FREDERIC CARDWELL ... .. 6
FRED WATKINSON ... .. 3	WILLIAM TAYLOR ... .. 7
WILLIAM GODDEN ... .. 4	JOE GARTH ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by F. WATKINSON.

All the ringers are members of the local company, and, with the exception of the conductor, have learnt to ring since the bells were erected in December, 1920, as a memorial to the men of Handsworth and Richmond who gave their lives in the great war. This is the first peal by all except the conductor.

FAREHAM, HANTS.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.	
JOSIAH D. HARRIS ... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 5
GEORGE PULLINGER ... .. 2	*RICHARD J. STONE ... .. 6
D. CECIL WILLIAMS ... .. 3	EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 7
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 4	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by E. J. HARDING, SEN.

\* First peal of Major. Rung as a birthday compliment to E. J. Harding, sen., it being also his first peal of Major as conductor.

CARDINGTON, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.	
H. L. HARLOW (Dis. Sec.) ... Treble	H. STAPLETON (Com.) ... 5
ALFRED KING (Vice-Pres.) ... 2	A. E. SHARMAN (Gen. Sec.) 6
MISS E. STEEL (Vice-Pres.) ... 3	CANON W. W. C. BAKER (Pres.) 7
H. W. GAYTON (Com.) ... .. 4	H. H. SMITH (Com.) ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.  
Conducted by CANON W. W. C. BAKER.

This was an officers' peal, and was rung to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Association which was founded on March 13th, 1882. Canon Baker is the only original member now actively taking part in the Association.

## DARTFORD, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

SIDNEY ANSTEAD ... .. Treble	RICHARD MORGAN ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... .. 2	JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 6
JOHN WHEADON ... .. 3	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... .. 7
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... .. 4	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

This is the first peal of Double Norwich on the bells.

## BURNHAM, BUCKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE ALLDER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 5
GEORGE MARTIN ... .. 2	FRANK BOREHAM ... .. 6
Cecil C. MAYNE ... .. 3	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 7
*EDWIN T. HOOPER ... .. 4	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. HOLDEN.

Conducted by W. WELLING.

First peal in the method.

## HINGHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE CLAXTON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 5
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 2	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 6
GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 3	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... .. 7
BEN S. THOMPSON ... .. 4	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

G. H. Cross's 50th peal in the method and 100th peal as conductor for the Norwich Association.

## BANSTEAD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. 0 qr. 27 lb.

FREDERICK G. WOODISS ... Treble	ALAN R. MACDONALD ... .. 5
WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... .. 2	MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... .. 6
FERRIS J. SHEPHERD ... .. 3	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... .. 7
ERNEST WEATHERBY ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

This composition contains 36 long and 12 short courses.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY TOWER,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 6½ cwt.

REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... Treble	JAMES S. HUTCHBY ... .. 5
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 2	SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 6
JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 7
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 4	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM HYDE INGLESANT. Conducted by J. OLDHAM.

GUMNOR, BERKS.—On Saturday, February 25th, at the Parish Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: H. Bennett 1, Mrs. A. E. Lock 2, H. Holifield 3, F. S. Macey 4, A. E. Lock 5, B. Caudwell 6.

HEREFORD.—Hereford Diocesan Guild.—At All Saints' Hereford, on February 18th, 672 Grandsire Triples: A. Probert 1, R. Treherne 2, A. Gwynne 3, Ivor Probert 4, W. H. Symonds 5, Wm. Taylor 6, C. Edwards 7, F. Downes 8. First touch of Triples by 6 and tenor. Longest lengths of Triples by 1, 3, 4.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

ST. WEONARDS, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANOSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores in ten different callings. Tenor 11½ cwt.

PERCY ROWLEY ... .. Treble	PERCY VIRGO ... .. 4
ARTHUR VIRGO ... .. 2	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. 5
HARRY BREWER ... .. 3	ARTHUR BREWER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

First peal for ringers of 1, 2 and 4, also first on an inside bell by ringer of the 3rd.

## BATHFORD, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHIN,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

*WILLIAM CANNINGS ... Treble	GEORGE JAMES ... .. 4
JOHN TAYLOR ... .. 2	THOMAS F. KING ... .. 5
FRANCIS W. CANNINGS ... 3	CHARLES W. BELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. W. BELL.

\* First peal. First peal of Minor on the bells. Rung as a quarterly peal for the Bath Deanery.

## LEADENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHIN,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob, and one 720 of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb.

JOSEPH NORTH ... .. Treble	CHARLES W. BAINES ... .. 4
GEORGE SCOTT ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. LLOYD ... .. 5
HAROLD MARCON ... .. 3	CALEB L. SIMCOCK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE SCOTT.

## CHIGWELL, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Ipswich, Wells, Lincoln, York, Beverley, London and Durham. Tenor 10 cwt.

PHILIP H. AVEY ... .. Treble	ALFRED PRIOR ... .. 4
GEORGE DAWSON ... .. 2	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
EDWARD D. SMITH ... .. 3	JOHN MOULE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. MILLER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. John Moule, an old parishioner of Chigwell.

## BUREAGE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CATHERINE,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 10½ six-scores each of Old Doubles, Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor 9 cwt.

*JOSEPH BEALE ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM COPE ... .. 3
†ERNEST RIVETT ... .. 2	†GEORGE DUDLEY ... .. 4
FRED COTTON ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by F. COTTON.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal in four methods.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

**GUILDFORD, SURREY.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
 (GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

*On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,*  
 AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPS, 5043 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 18 in G.

CHARLES HAZELDEN ...	1—2	MAURICE SMITHER ...	5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ..	3—4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ...	7—8
GEORGE W. STEERE ...		9—10	

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.  
 Witnesses: MRS. SMITHER and MRS. PULLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to C. Dobbie.

**LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.**

**THE SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sunday, March 5, 1922, in One Hour and Forty-Nine Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH ROOM,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently.

ARTHUR SYMONDS ...	1—2	BERTRAM PROCTOR ...	4
FRANK TURNER ...	3	STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ...	5—6

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

\* First peal and first attempt, and hails from Finborough, near Stowmarket.

**GUILDFORD, SURREY.**

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thursday, March 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes,*  
 AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 18 in G.

WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ...	1—2	GEORGE W. STEERE ...	5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ...	3—4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ...	7—8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: JESSIE MELVILLE,

to whom it was rung as a birthday compliment.

**EX-SERVICE MEN'S PEAL.**

**HIS MAJESTY AND A FINE PERFORMANCE.**

One of the most interesting performances in celebration of the Royal Wedding was the peal in three Minor methods rung at Belton, Rutland, by six ex-Service men, four of whom were wounded, and one, Corpl. Churchill, who called the peal, having lost his right arm on the Somme in 1916.

After the peal the Rev. G. J. Pallison, Vicar of Belton, wrote to the King congratulating him on his daughter's marriage, and also mentioning the peal rung at Belton, which he added would compare favourably in point of merit with any in the kingdom, as all the band were ex-soldiers. The population of the village was under 300, and all the band were Belton men except the conductor, who lived in the neighbouring hamlet of Loddington.

The following reply was received:

' Buckingham Palace,  
 3rd March, 1922.

' Dear Sir,—I am desired to thank you for your letter of Feb. 28th, addressed to the King, and for the congratulation and good wishes to which it gives expression.

' His Majesty was interested to hear of the peal of 5,040 changes rung at Belton Parish Church on Princess Mary's wedding day, and considers it a fine performance on the part of the ex-soldiers, who constituted the band of ringers.—Yours very truly,

' A. H. L. HARDINGE.

' The Rev. G. J. Pallison, Belton Vicarage, Uppingham.'

**CENTRAL NORTANTS ASSOCIATION.**

A most successful quarterly meeting of the Kettering District was held at Weckley on Saturday, February 25th, about 40 ringers being present from Burton, Barton, Broughton, Cranford, Cransby, Isham, Orlingbury, Northampton, Kettering, Sudborough, and the local band.

A short service was held in the church, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. C. H. L. Hopper). Tea was partaken of in the Village Hall, presided over by the Rector, who also took the chair at the meeting.

One life member and one ringing member was elected, and Desborough was chosen for the next quarterly meeting soon after Easter.

The secretary's report and balance sheet for the past year were adopted, showing that there were nine honorary and 104 ringing members. Two honorary and 13 ringing members joined during the year.

A vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, the ladies for providing tea, and the local ringers, was passed.—Surprise Treble Bob and Plain Minor methods were rung on the handy ring of six bells during the day.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE**

**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**(in Sets of any number.)**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

One hundred and twenty years ago next Wednesday—on March 22nd, 1802—the Royal Cumberland Youths rang 7.104 of Treble Bob Maximus at Southwark Cathedral in 5 hrs. 30 mins.

On the same day, in 1734, a peal of 6,876 Grandsire Caters was rung at New College, Oxford.

To-day is the anniversary of the first peal of Duffield Maximus, which was rung at St. Martin's, Birmingham, in 1891.

Congratulations to Canon W. W. C. Baker upon having taken part in and conducted a peal to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the foundation of the Bedfordshire Association. He is the only original member now on the 'active' list, and his interest has never waned. With the President in the peal there were two vice-presidents, the general secretary, a district secretary, and three members of the committee. We hope they will all be spared to ring a jubilee peal together.

'It is like being on a lonely island, to be without any news of ringing,' plaintively writes a reader, whom a strike of packers at a London wholesale newsagents has robbed of his 'Ringing World' for three weeks.

Quite a praiseworthy performance is the peal of Bob Major rung at Handsworth, Sheffield, on Saturday. It was the first peal by all the band, except the conductor, and they have learnt to ring since the bells, which are a war memorial, were put in in December, 1920.

A peal in which three generations of one family took part was rung at Stoney Stanton, Leicestershire, on Saturday, December 10th last. The method was Grandsire Triples, and the father, son and grandson were Messrs. Henry Briggs, Chas. H. Briggs, and Wm. Briggs. This information comes in reply to an inquiry in this column last week.

Two peals by the College Youths in Scotland in a week! It shows what the determination of a few enthusiasts can do.

The peal at Paisley was a good performance on the tenorman's part, as he knew nothing about change ringing till after last Christmas, and the bell, we are informed, is one of the sort that doesn't 'go,' but has to be pushed one way and pulled the other!

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The annual meeting, 1922, will be held on Whit-Tuesday, June 6th, at Lincoln. Further and full particulars of this will be announced later. Notice of motions should be sent to the hon. secretary before May 6th, in order that they may appear upon the agenda.

Secretaries of the affiliated Guilds and Associations are reminded that the subscription for 1922 is now due, and should be sent to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. Alexr. Young, 155, Rushy Green, Catford, S.E.6.

The following Associations and Guilds have been good enough to forward their subscriptions to date: Llandaff, Dudley, Central Northants, Salop, Kent, Essex, Salisbury, and Ladies.

## AN APPEAL.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir.—At a meeting of the Middlesex County Association held on Saturday, an appeal was made on behalf of the widow of the late Mr. Harry Flanders, whose death took place in August last. Mrs. Flanders has just recovered from a serious illness, and is at present in none too good financial circumstances. It is hoped that the large circle of friends of the late Mr. H. Flanders will help. A collection, made at the meeting mentioned, realised £2, and I have since been handed 2s. 6d. each from two ringing friends. Any further sums will be thankfully received, and will be acknowledged through this paper. They should be sent to Mr. Alfred Pye, 126, Pembroke Road, Seven Kings, or to yours faithfully,  
49, Wood Street, E.17.

C. T. COLES, Hon. Sec.

## LONG SERVICE.

**NORTH ANSTON'S RECORD.**

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir.—In your valuable paper of February 24th appears a remarkable instance of long service of six ringers at Marnhull, Dorset. At North Anston we can beat that record, as we have six ringers who have been ringing together over 30 years. We have not gone in much for ringing 5,000's but have learned a nice few methods, having rung 140 Treble Bob Minor methods, and only ten 5,000's during the time. We have been favoured very much in not losing any ringers during that long time.—Yours truly,

HY. STENTON.

On Monday, February 27th, was laid to rest at North Anston, Mr. Joseph Cocking, who had been verger for 23 years. During his time he had assisted at the burial of 560 persons, and at the baptism of over 600.

After the funeral the ringers rang a deeply muffled 720 of Minor, conducted by a boy of eleven years.

**CARTER'S ODD AND EVEN BOB PEAL OF STEDMAN.***To the Editor.*

Sir,—I must say that the above composition is a wonderful production, and Mr. Carter is to be congratulated on producing such a peal.

In your leading article last week, however, you greatly exaggerate the difficulties of calling such a peal. It certainly is not more difficult than the Odd Bob, if so difficult, when you consider that 29 of these 60 courses are called the same. The misleading way it is published makes it appear more difficult than it really is. If it is properly cut up, a lot of it will repeat. Of the seven different callings No. 1 is only used once; No. 2 four times, and then in succession; No. 3 once following No. 2, which means that after the first six courses you can dismiss these from your mind. No. 7 is only used twice, and that in the first 20 courses, which reduces the number of callings to three, viz., Nos. 4, 5 and 6. If we take No. 6 as the original calling, the only differences between 4, 5 and 6, is add 4—5 in No. 4; and omit 10—11 in No. 5. In addition to that, after the 6th course there are always calls at 2, 6, 7, 9, 14. In Nos. 4 and 6 there are two fixed bells, and the last 18 courses are simply a 6-course block twice repeated.

Such a composition as this should not present any terrors to anyone who has any system of calling. In my opinion the 7-part peal of Stedman Triples is far more difficult than the above, as there is more variety of calling, and you have to have a fresh observation bell in each part, which is a disadvantage, as small bells are not so easy to locate as the 7th, whereas in Carter's peal the 7th is fixed, and in 45 of the 60 courses you have another bell fixed as well.—Yours, etc., W. PYE.

Lest there be any misunderstanding, we desire to point out that the form in which this composition was published, whether misleading or otherwise, was exactly as sent to us by the composer himself.—Ed.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT WALTHAMSTOW.**

The North and East District of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild met at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on Saturday last, when a pleasant and successful gathering took place. Several towers were represented, whilst a number of visitors came from distant parts, including Cambridge and Great Munden. Before the service, several touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich Major, and courses of Superlative and London Surprise were rung.

At evensong, the Vicar (the Rev. G. H. Siddons) gave a very interesting address on old customs connected with the ringing of church bells, which was much appreciated.

After tea, the business meeting was held, with the District Master, Mr. G. B. Lucas, in the chair, and thanks were accorded to all those who had helped to make the meeting an enjoyable one.

An appeal was made by Mr. A. Pye, on behalf of the widow of the late Mr. Harry Flanders, who has been seriously ill, and is at present in difficult circumstances. A collection was made amongst those present, which realised £2. An appeal is also being made through 'The Ringing World,' and it is hoped that the members of the above Association will generously respond.

After the business meeting, a large party visited the tower of St. Mary's, Walthamstow, where several touches of Stedman Caters, and a course of Cambridge Royal were rung, whilst others remained at St. Saviour's, good use being made of both the peals of bells open for ringing. An estimate of the number present would be well over 40, there being 33 at tea, and a large number of arrivals at both towers afterwards, amongst the company being several ringers whose names are household words amongst the ringing fraternity.

**CHISLEHURST, KENT.**—On Thursday, Feb. 2nd, at 68, White Horse Hill, on handbells, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes), in 37 mins., by the following: F. G. Groombridge 1—2, R. Brett Smith (conductor) 3—4, J. Brett Smith 5, T. Brett Smith 6, Cyril Brett Smith 7—8.

**LATE NOTICES.**

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The postponed Quarterly Meeting will be held at Portishead on Saturday, March 25th. Bells available from 3 o'clock.—Edith Smith, Sec., 23, Somerset St., Kingsdown, Bristol.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The usual Monthly meeting will be held at Armley on March 25th. The bells will be dedicated at 3 p.m. by the Bishop of Knaresborough, and will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. All ringers are welcome.—M. Moorhouse, Hon. Sec., 10, Mitford Road, Armley.

**NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL GUILD.****ANNUAL DINNER.**

The Newcastle Cathedral Guild held their annual dinner at the Collingwood Restaurant on Tuesday, February 28th, at 6 p.m., having rung a peal of Stedman Cinques in the afternoon in honour of the marriage of Princess Mary to Lord Lascelles. The chair was taken by the Ringing Master (Mr. C. L. Routledge), who was supported by the Rev. E. Dudley Clark, Messrs. H. Ingledue, E. W. Lidderdale and R. E. Fisher, vice-presidents; W. Story, President of the Durham and Newcastle Association, A. Lewis, and others. The President (the Rev. Canon E. D. Newson) was unavoidably prevented from attending, and letters were received from the Vicar, Canon Newson, the Ven. Archdeacon Blacket Ord, Alderman Robinson, Mr. W. Lister Newcombe (donor of the two trebles of the peal of 12), Messrs. Percy Parmenter, J. W. Parker, R. and T. Hudson and J. Towns, regretting their inability to attend.—Forty-one sat down to a dinner of five excellent courses, composed by Mr. Thomas Townsend, the manager.—The King was given by the Chairman, who included the bride and bridegroom, wishing them every blessing and happiness.—This toast was most heartily received.

Four friends from St. George's Church choir, namely, Messrs. R. Graham, F. Madderson, J. Foster and A. Dunn, gave the Royal Jubilee glee, by Hollingworth, 'Here's life and health to England's King,' etc.

The remainder of the evening was spent in harmony, and a few speeches. Songs and glees by the friends from St. George's were much appreciated, and songs were given also by Messrs. J. Caslaw, B. O. Dixon ('The shy young man with a bassoon'), E. S. Kell and A. Payne. A course of Stedman Caters on handbells was rung by Messrs. C. L. Routledge, W. H. Barber, H. Lewis, J. A. and J. E. Gofton, and a course of Double Norwich Major by Messrs. Barber, Lewis and the Gofton Brothers.

The Chairman proposed the clergy, the Rev. E. D. Clark replying (in the absence of the Vicar).

Mr. Lidderdale proposed 'The Durham and Newcastle Association,' to which the President (Mr. Story) replied, and promised to give some of the clergy 'the rough end of his tongue' for not looking after their bells and ringers better. Fortunately this did not apply to the Cathedral clergy, for they look after their ringers well, and consider all their wants and wishes, and visit them in their homes.

Mr. R. E. Fisher replying, on behalf of the churchwardens, said how much they all appreciated the services of the Guild, and added there there was one Sunday in the year when the whole city seemed dead, and that was the Sunday the Guild took their well-earned rest, which they spent, as Mr. Clark put it, like a bus-driver's holiday, ringing bells somewhere else.

Mr. R. Thompson proposed 'The Guild,' and made some very complimentary remarks. Perhaps the most encouraging were what he heard at Beverley from the locals, after the peal of Stedman Caters rung by the Guild on the Minster bells. A fine oak peal board to commemorate this peal was on view at the dinner prior to its being dispatched to Beverley to be hung in the Minster belfry.

The Chairman proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to the friends from St. George's, and Mr. Chris Dadds, who so kindly and ably acted as accompanist for the evening. The members were glad to welcome friends from the neighbouring towers. E. E. F.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.****DEATH OF TWO ORIGINAL MEMBERS.**

The Norwich and Ipswich Association has lost two veterans, who were original members of the organisation. The death took place, on February 17th, of Mr. Robert Hulton, of Bunwell, Norfolk, at the age of 79 years. The deceased was well known in many of the Norfolk towers, and was for over thirty years Ringing Master of the Bunwell company. He was one of the first members of the Norwich Diocesan Association, to which he was elected on July 14th, 1877, and he had rung in 64 association peals.

The death took place on February 22nd, at Melbourne House, Wells-next-the-Sea, Norfolk, of Mr. James Skinner, at the age of 79 years. The deceased was for many years a carriage builder in Norwich, and a member of the St. Peter Mancroft company, Norwich, and the Norwich Scholars. He was also an original member of the Norwich and Ipswich Association, to which he was elected on July 14th 1877, and had rung in 25 association peals.

The first part of the funeral service took place in St. Peter Mancroft Church on Tuesday, February 28th, and the interment in the Rosary Cemetery, Norwich. The following members of the St. Peter Mancroft company, Messrs. Charles E. Borrett, Frederick Knights, sen., Fredk. H. Knights, junr., and Frederick J. Howchin, rang a course of Grandsire Triples on the handbells over the grave as a token of respect to the memory of their old comrade, and a muffled peal was rung on March 7th at St. Michael Coslany.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

**GRANDSIRE TRIPLE COMPOSITIONS.****THE DISPUTED CLAIM.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Mr. Lindoff asks for further information with regard to my 10-part peal of Grandsire Triples. I will do my best to satisfy him. I began to take an interest in Grandsire Triple composition in 1889, but was not successful in getting a peal until January, 1891, when I put together my irregular ten-part, which appears in the Council's Collection, Section 1, No. 31. I sent it to 'The Bell News,' but, as was usual in those days with regard to all young composers, it was not inserted, although it was the first peal of Grandsire Triples ever composed in parts with two common Grandsire singles only. This and my future experiences bear witness to Mr. Lindoff's statement with regard to the impossibility of getting new peals printed in 'The Bell News' at that time. It was afterwards sent to Mr. J. J. Parker, of Farnham Royal, who, through an oversight, pronounced it to be false, with the result that I had the greatest difficulty in getting it called, until my old friend, Mr. F. E. Ward, of Cheltenham, called it at Caerleon. It was afterwards published in the Council's report in 1894.

May I ask Mr. Lindoff at what date he first printed this peal as his composition? It was first brought to my notice by Mr. W. T. Pegler one Sunday morning in St. Michael's belfry at Gloucester, who showed me the printed figures with Mr. Lindoff's name attached to them as composer, and asked me what I thought of them. I replied at once that it was my peal. As Mr. Pegler was going to meet Mr. Lindoff during the week, I asked him to bring the matter to his notice, and, when I next met him he told me that he had done so, and that Mr. Lindoff had replied that 'Mr. James ought to publish his peals if he wanted to claim them,' and that of a peal which was already printed in the Council's report. The peal has been rung and published in 'The Ringing World' many times since as Mr. Lindoff's composition.

Now we turn to the ten-part peals. In the Council's report, pages 6 and 7, there are five ten-part peals with my name attached to them. Of these No. 14 is the one that Mr. Lindoff wishes to claim. I commenced work on the ten-part plan in 1893, and produced three peals on March 10th of that year. I am able to fix the date, because we rang the first peal of Double Norwich in the City of Bristol on March 11th, and I perfectly recollect taking copies of them with me and showing them to Mr. F. E. Ward and Mr. John Austin in the train on the way down. I went on working at ten-part peals until I left Gloucester for London, in October, 1894. After that time I did no more Grandsire Triple work. Therefore, those peals must have been produced, that is, No. 11 and No. 12 before October, 1894.

I gave all the peals that I produced at that time to Mr. John Austin, who was our conductor. When or how they first got published I do not know; perhaps Mr. Austin may be able to throw some light on the subject.—Yours, etc.,

E. BANKES JAMES.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.****NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.**

A quarterly meeting of the above branch was held at Newport Pagnell on Saturday, March 4th, when about 40 members attended from Blechley, Beauchampton, Calverton, Chicheley, Emberton, Linslade, Old Bradwell, Olney, Stony Stratford, Fenny Stratford, Stoke Goldington, Tringham, and the local tower. The bells a splendid peal of eight, were set going at 2.30 p.m. The Rector (the Rev. L. Moxon) officiated at a short service, and gave a very interesting address. The reverend gentleman has only recently been inducted to the living of Newport Pagnell, and was quite new to the members of the branch; but he expressed the hope of knowing them more, and was enrolled as an honorary member. Tea was served, and afterwards the Secretary proposed a most hearty vote of thanks to the Rector and all who had assisted him in making the meeting successful. This was suitably responded to, and a further visit was then paid to the tower. The methods rung during the afternoon and evening ranged from Grandsire and Stedman Triples to Double Norwich Major. This proved one of the most successful meetings of the year.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

A successful meeting of the Biggleswade district was held at Eaton Socon on Saturday, March 4th. The business meeting followed ringing during the afternoon. Miss E. Steel (vice-president) was in the chair, and members and friends were present from Bedford, Biggleswade, Emsbury, Great Stanton, Potton, Roxton, Sandy, Tempsford, and the local company.

Four new members of Eaton Socon were elected, and Potton was chosen for the next meeting, of which notice will appear in 'The Ringing World.'

A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the local company for having everything ready, was passed.—Mr. Smith responded for the local company.

The methods rung during the afternoon and evening ranged from Plain Bob to Woodbine.

**THE LONGEST LENGTH OF LONDON.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I am quite sure that Mr. Lindoff was honestly mistaken when he wrote his first letter; but most of his statements in that letter were inaccurate, because, instead of writing to me about the matter, he proceeded to guess how I had got the peal, and his guesses were all wrong.

His letter in last week's 'Ringing World' shows that he has been further into the matter, and so he has corrected several of his mistaken guesses, but there is still one point which he has failed to find out, and one guess which he cannot correct.

He is quite mistaken in supposing that I took his courses to build my peal. I had the 65 true courses of London in 1895, and put together a 7,840 on June 27th in that year, and there I stopped, as I was trying to put them together by calling the tenor M 5th W H, and never thought of moving the tenor. When the 14,122 appeared, I got out my courses and found that it contained 63 of my 65, and I was quite convinced that it was the longest peal that could be got in the method. There the matter rested, until the 12,000 of Bristol was rung, and then the conductor asked me for a longer peal of London than the 14,122. I replied that I would try, but I believed that it was impossible. I then examined Mr. Lindoff's peal to see if my idea that it was the limit was correct, and found that it could not be added to in any possible way. I had, therefore, to find a new set of courses or give the matter up. It took several years to get the new set of courses 64 in number, and then it took four more years to put them together, and that brings me to the fact which Mr. Lindoff has not found out. Call the tenor I, Q and 4th; also call the tenor I, M, M, W, W, and 4th, and you get the same result, and that is the key to the composition. Take my peal, drop the three bobs with the tenor in 5th's 2578463, 7258463 and 5728463, and the peal drops into three main blocks, one of these is Middleton's well-known peal of Cambridge, which also runs in London; the second is a plain course 4732658. The third is a round block 4537628, the third course in the peal to 643527, the 39th course end followed by M and I. Take that round block and plain every complete Q set in it, and we get this touch

2547638

5723648	I
2763548	M
3657248	M W
7356248	W
2547638	4th

Finally, Mr. Lindoff claims the peal because most of the changes happen to be the same. I would refer him to Mr. Jasper Snowden's remarks on page 92 in the first edition of Grandsire.

H. LAW JAMES.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

The annual meeting of the Dunster branch of the above was held at Cutcombe recently, when just over 40 ringers attended, representing Timberscombe, Carhampton, Minehead, Withycombe, Wootton Courtenay, Selworthy, and the local band. The ringing during the afternoon and evening included Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Oxford, Kent and Bob Minor. The usual service in the church was well attended, the Vicar (the Rev. G. L. Fitzmaurice) officiating, and giving an eloquent address based upon the words, 'For my brethren and companions' sake I wish you prosperity; because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek to do good.'

After the service, the Vicar and Mrs. Fitzmaurice very kindly entertained the company to a splendid tea, which was laid in the reading-room, kindly lent for the occasion, Mrs. H. Norman and other local ladies looking after the guests. The Vicar presided, and also took the chair at the business meeting which followed.

The Secretary pointed out that it was very essential that with such a large deanery and increasing numbers of members they should have a good chairman, and he was pleased to say they had in their present chairman an ideal gentleman for the position, and they could not do better than re-elect him.—Mr. G. Atkins proposed, and Mr. Harold Arscott seconded, that the Rev. G. L. Fitzmaurice be re-elected chairman; and this being put to the meeting it was carried by acclamation.

On the proposition of Mr. Harris Arscott, seconded by Mr. H. Phillips, Mr. G. Stacey was re-elected hon. local secretary.—Mr. H. Phillips was elected committeeman to serve on the central committee, and Mr. W. Hoyle was re-elected Ringing Master. — Two new members were elected from Cutcombe and two from Carhampton, and Timberscombe was chosen as the next place of meeting, to be held in May if possible.

Mr. Stacey proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Fitzmaurice for their hospitality in providing tea, also for the service in the church, and the use of the bells, and to the ladies who assisted in making them so welcome.—A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Hayes for presiding at the organ. This concluded the business, and the tower was again visited.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**FULHAM.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday, March 12th, 1,263 Stedman Caters: J. W. Driver 1, W. H. Wood 2, W. E. Judd 3, A. Cutmore 4, W. H. Hollier 5, H. Cook 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, G. C. Iles 8, A. Cutmore 9, G. F. Edwards 10.

**BARKING, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, March 12th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major (1,280 changes), in 48 mins.: W. G. Jackson 1, G. L. Joyce 2, C. Fenn (conductor) 3, T. Faulkner 4, E. H. King 5, G. W. Faulkner 6, R. Fenn 7, A. C. Hardy (composer) 8. First in the method by ringers of 2, 5 and 6.

**WALTHAMSTOW.**—At St. Mary's Church, after evensong, on Sunday, March 5th, 1,263 Grandsire Caters, in 50 mins.: Ronald Wilson (longest length on ten bells) 1, A. Mason 2, H. Scarlett 3, J. H. Wilkins 4, G. B. Lucas 5, J. C. Adams 6, W. H. Freeman 7, R. Maynard, senr., 8, C. T. Coles (conductor) 9, J. Coleman 10.

**COBHAM, KENT.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, March 5th, for morning service, 720 Grandsire Minor: W. Walker 1, C. Waterman (conductor) 2, S. Wood 3, L. Pye 4, J. Wood 5, J. Dalton 6.

**SHREWSBURY.**—At St. Chad's Church, on Sunday, Feb. 26th, 485 Grandsire Caters: J. Griffiths (age 13) 1, J. E. Lilley 2, G. Byolin 3, R. Pole 4, D. J. Boucher 5, A. Short 6, G. Jones 7, W. Fairhead 8, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 9, J. Evans 10.—On Mar. 5th, 287 Grandsire Caters: R. Chelton 1, J. Griffiths 2, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 3, J. E. Lilley 4, R. Pole 5, A. Short 6, D. Boucher 7, W. Fairhead 8, G. Jones 9, J. Evans 10.

**WALTHAMSTOW.**—At St. Mary's Church, after the evening service, on Sunday, February 26th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins., rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor's father: H. Scarlett 1, A. Mason (conductor) 2, R. Maynard, senr., 3, R. Maynard, junr., 4, J. C. Adams 5, J. H. Wilkins 6, G. B. Lucas, senr., 7, W. H. Freeman 10.

**DONCASTER.**—At St. George's Church, on Sunday, February 26th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 50 mins.: G. Halksworth (conductor) 1, Miss K. Jackson 2, C. Scott 3, C. Clarke 4, F. Newsome 5, W. Lloyd 6, H. Walker 7, R. Henson 8. Also 504 Grandsire Triples, for morning service: G. Halksworth 1, C. Scott 2, J. Holmes 3, C. Clark 4, C. Crawford 5, W. Lloyd 6, H. Walker (conductor) 7, H. Baldwin 8.

**ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.**—On Sunday, Feb. 26th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 45 mins.: J. Preston 1, T. H. Reeves 2, G. F. Swann (composer and conductor) 3, Wm. J. Meers 4, J. W. Pemberton 5, G. F. Garrison 6, H. C. Spencer 7, H. Pemberton (Glossop) 8.

**BECKENHAM, KENT.**—On Sunday, Feb. 26th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Hawkes 1, P. Meek 2, G. Emery 3, F. King 4, F. Terry 5, G. Wickens 6, W. Smith (conductor) 7, W. Meek 8.

**BEVERLEY.**—At the Minster, on Sunday, Feb. 26th for morning service, 270 Grandsire Caters.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 54 mins.: C. G. Constable 1, J. Braithwaite 2, F. Osgerby 3, C. P. Bradley 4, A. E. Sellers 5, J. E. Constable 6, W. Middleton 9, A. Bolham (tenor 41½ cwt.) 10. Conducted by W. Middleton.

**BROMLEY, KENT.**—On Sunday, Feb. 19th, for morning service, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples by the following members: H. Skinner 1, P. Spice 2, A. James 3, F. Keep 4, J. P. Keep 5, G. Huxley 6, G. Durling (conductor) 7, G. F. James 8. Also for evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples by the following: H. Skinner 1, P. Spice 2, G. Durling 3, G. James 4, G. Huxley 5, A. James 6, E. Mounter (conductor) 7, F. F. Scott 8.

**WELLS.**—At the Cathedral, on February 12th, for morning service, 672 Grandsire Triples: E. Stiles 1, T. Hayward 2, W. J. Mills 3, F. Loxton 4, E. G. Lush 5, A. E. Mills 6, W. Farley (conductor) 7, H. Andrews and A. Berry 8.—On February 26th, 518 Grandsire Triples from Holt's Ten-part: T. T. Hayward 1, W. J. Mills 2, F. Loxton 3, H. Fry 4, E. G. Lush 5, A. E. Mills 6, W. Farley (conductor) 7, H. Farley and F. Andrews 8.—On March 5th, 658 Grandsire Triples.

**GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.**—On Sunday, January 22nd, 720 Double Court, for evening service.—On Sunday, Feb. 12th, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob.—On Sunday, Feb. 19th, 720 Double Court, for evening service, the ringers taking part being W. Wilkinson, G. Roberts, G. Blaxley, A. Baxter, W. Hayo, J. Hudson, J. Ball, A. Ball and F. Ball.

## USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

1,280 DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.				588 STEDMAN TRIPLES.			
23456	1	5	6	231456	3.4	5.8	7.8 12.15
42635	3	—		346125 S.2.			
23645	1			413265	x	x	x
63425	1	2		143256		x	
24365	1	1			x	x	S14
32546	—			123564		x	x
53246		2		213546		x	
23456	1	2		152436	x	x	
				231456	x	x	x x

J. HOWES.

J. GEORGE.

## ROYAL WEDDING TOUCHES.

The following touches were rung on February 28th in honour of the Royal Wedding:—

**NORTHAMPTON.**—At the Church of St. Peter, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. Wilkins 1, W. H. Austin 2, R. B. Bailey 3, W. J. Dove 4, W. R. Parker 5, W. Sturgess 6, F. Hopper (conductor) 7, A. Starmore 8. Also rung to celebrate the 21st birthday (on March 2nd) of the ringer of the 3rd, after failing to score a peal of the above method.

**ASHFORD.**—At the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: H. C. Castle 1, C. W. Everett 2, E. S. Ruck 3, P. Page 4, A. C. Kay 5, T. Tabrett 6, W. Wenban (conductor) 7, E. Powell 8. First quarter by the ringers of the treble, 2nd, 4th, 6th and 8th; also first as conductor.

**PORTSMOUTH.**—At St. Mary's, Portsea, 1,092 Stedman Triples, in 41 mins.: J. J. Symons 1, J. O. Harris 2, F. Uphill 3, E. J. Harding, junr., 4, E. J. Harding, senr., 5, R. J. Stone 6, F. W. Rogers (conductor) 7, E. W. Hardy 8.

**MADLEY, HEREFORD.**—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 50 mins.: Wm. Smith 1, C. Edwards (conductor) 2, W. Duffly 3, C. W. Edwards 4, Wm. Taylor 5, T. Merrick 6. First quarter-peal by 1, 4, 6; also first quarter-peal on the bells by all residents in the parish.

**TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.**—A 720 of Bob Minor: R. J. Rush 1, Miss E. Orlebar (first 720) 2, W. Collison 3, H. Markwell 4, F. White 5, W. Latter (conductor) 6. Also a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: F. Ballard 1, F. White 2, W. Collison 3, Miss E. Orlebar 4, A. Jarvis 5, H. Markwell 6, W. Latter (conductor) 7, R. J. Rush 8.

**LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.**—At mid-day, three courses of Grandsire Caters, three courses of Bob Major, and the bells fired the number of times corresponding with the combined ages of the bride and bridegroom. In the evening, a date touch (1,922) Bob Major, the ringers taking part in the above were: W. Messam, G. Marriner, A. C. Otway, W. Otway, A. Harman, A. Winch, H. Boxall, W. Marks, E. Hull and A. Dean. Conductors, A. Dean, G. Marriner and A. Winch.

**GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.**—A quarter-peal of Minor, in 45 mins., comprising 720 Double Court, and 540 Oxford Bob: W. Wilkinson 1, F. Ball (conductor) 2, G. Blaxley 3, A. Ball 4, J. Hudson 5, J. Ball 6.

**WICKEN, NORTHANTS.**—On Thursday, March 2nd, a quarter-peal of Minor, being 240 each of Wicken Court, Double Bob, College Single, and 120 each of Double Oxford, Double Court and Oxford Bob, and 180 of Plain Bob: H. Birdsey 1, L. Smith 2, F. Case 3, E. C. Lambert 4, A. J. Green (conductor) 5, T. Read 6.

**KELVEDON.**—Essex Association.—At St. Mary's Church, a date touch of Bob Minor (1,922 changes), in 1 hr. 20 mins.: E. Dale 1, F. Dale, senr., 2, W. Keeble (conductor) 3, J. Elliott 4, F. Bone 5, W. Elliott 6. Longest length by all except ringers of 3rd and 8th.

**NORTHAMPTON.**—At All Saints' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): W. G. Farey 1, A. R. Hensman 2, H. Blunvell 3, H. Rainbow 4, J. C. Dean 5, W. Farey 6, W. J. Allen (conductor) 7, \*L. Farey 8. \* First quarter-peal. Also rung as a birthday compliment to the eldest daughter of the conductor.

**SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.**—An attempt for a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was made, but unfortunately came to grief, after 2 hrs. 5 mins. good ringing: William Spice (conductor) 1, Clr.-Sergt. J. Bennett, R.M.L.I., 2, W. Nye 3, G. H. Spice 4, S. Taylor 5, T. Jull 6, E. J. Dobbie 7, S. B. Dobbie 8.

**GRIMSBY.**—At the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): H. Hadwick 1, F. Kennington 2, Percy H. Pigg 3, W. H. Heyhoe 4, C. W. Taylor 5, C. Kennington (conductor) 6, A. B. Shepherd 7, F. Howden 8. Rung after an attempt for a peal.

**BRISTOL.**—An attempt for a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal was lost, a course and a half from home, after ringing three hours: H. Pring 1, E. Guise 2, J. B. Tyler 3, A. E. Reeves (conductor) 4, E. J. Ridler 5, E. J. Brown 6, W. Knight 7, J. T. Dyke 8, J. A. Burford 9, G. Condlck, senr., 10.

**MISTLEY.**—At St. Mary's Church, 720 Bob Minor and 360 in the same method by the following: J. Souter, A. Fuller, W. Honeywood (conductor), A. Honeywood, C. Honeywood, F. Honeywood, C. Hall and W. Maythorn.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Fylde Branch was held at Holy Trinity, South Shore, on Saturday, February 25th. Touches of Plain Bob, Little Bob, Kent, Oxford and Woodbine Treble Bob were successfully brought round, and courses of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples were also rung, double-handed, by: Messrs. A. Hague, W. Wilde, F. Greenwood, C. Sharples and C. N. Sharples. Several members who had never heard double-handed handbell ringing before expressed their delight and appreciation.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Lytham Parish Church.

## REAL DOUBLE SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR.

## FIRST PEAL RUNG AT SUNDERLAND.

In 'Clavis Campanologia,' published in 1788, appears the method 'Superlative Surprise,' which the authors state 'is an original composition of our own on purpose for this work, and has never yet been rung: the principle upon which it is founded will, we doubt not, give it credit with the amateurs of the art, for on inspection it will plainly appear the most even Treble Bob peal that has hitherto been discovered, and if practised, will produce most excellent music. N.B.—The above method may be rung with bobs behind and before, like real double.'

Peals of Superlative Surprise have been rung for a hundred years past, but we have had to wait until the year 1922 for the first peal of real Double Superlative Surprise Major. This was accomplished at Sunderland on Thursday of last week.

To Mr. Joseph W. Parker belongs the initiative of composing a peal on the double bob basis, and below is given the composition rung at Sunderland. Real Double Superlative is, we are informed, enjoyable to ring, but variations in composition are extremely limited.

5,280, by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

23456	1	2	4	5	
62534	x	x	x		= 5 leads
46325	x	x	x		
63425	x	x			= 6 leads
56234	x	x	x		
45362	x	x	x		
24653	x	x	x		
46253	x	x			
34562	x	x	x		
23645	x	x	x		
36245	x	x			
53462	x	x	x		
25634	x	x	x		
34625	x	x			x = 7 leads
53246	x	x	x		
32546	x	x			
25346	x	x			
62453	x	x	x		
36524	x	x	x		
65324	x	x			
53624	x	x			
45236	x	x	x		
52436	x	x			
24536	x	x			

Repeat last 7 courses.

The bobs are in pairs. The first in the middle of the lead when the treble is behind, the second at the lead end immediately following.

First rung at the Church of S. Ignatius-the-Martyr, Sunderland, on Thursday, March 9th, 1922, conducted by William H. Barber.

For an equal three-part peal add bobs at 5 in the seventh course, omit the bobs at 4 in the ninth course, and repeat the first ten courses, as altered, twice.

In the reverse variation the first bob of the pair is when the treble leads, the second in the middle of the lead immediately following.

Reverse variation of 5,280 (three part).

23456	2	3	5	7
34256			x	x
25634	x		x	x
63425	x		x	x
34825			x	x
62534	x		x	x
53462	x		x	x
46253	x		x	x
36524		x	x	x
52436	x		x	x
24536			x	x

Repeat twice.

The numbers of the leads given over the bobs in this reverse variation are as they occur in a plain course, the first bob coming at the beginning of each lead. The effect of the two bobs at 5 cuts out the sixth lead, thus the four bobs at 5, 7, come together.

## WICKEN COURT.

Having rung on January 31st, 720 of Method No. 27, page 7 of the Central Council's Collection at Wicken, Northants, the band desire to name it 'Wicken Court.' The ringers were: G. Cooper 1, T. Roberts 2, F. Case 3, E. C. Lambert 4, A. J. Green (conductor) 5, T. Read 6.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## ROCHESTER DISTRICT AND THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The half-yearly meeting of the Rochester District was held at Gillingham, on Saturday, February 25th, and a good number attended from the towers in the district, over 40 being present. The bells were going at 3, and later a service was held in the church conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. C. E. Webb), Mr. W. E. Pitman, Mus.Bac., Canterbury, being at the organ. Tea followed in the Memorial Hall, and was followed by a business meeting, over which the Vicar presided.

Seventeen new members were elected, including the Vicar of Gillingham, who was made an hon. member of the Association.

A proposition by the district secretary (Mr. F. M. Mitchell), re alteration in the meetings, was carried unanimously, and it was decided to hold the meetings in the months of January, April (half-yearly), July and October (annual), as at the latter meeting the district could have the balance sheet and report placed before them, previous to the annual committee meeting in November.

Two towers were proposed for the next meeting.

On being put to the vote, Cobham was chosen for April meeting.

The date of the Association's annual meeting was again discussed, initiated by Mr. W. Harper, and it was unanimously decided that in the opinion of the district the date was too early, and the District Secretary was instructed to have the matter placed on the agenda for discussion at the annual general meeting.

The District Secretary proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for his excellent address, and for presiding over the meeting, and on behalf of the Association, heartily welcomed him as an honorary member. He also conveyed the thanks of the district to Mr. Pitman for his services at the organ.—The Chairman, in responding, said he was pleased to welcome the Association to Gillingham, and to become an hon. member, as he realised the amount of good they were doing for the church. He spoke in well-deserved praise of the amount of good work done at Gillingham by the captain of their band, Mr. William Haigh, who had toiled with the ringers continuously for 40 years, and without whose help he did not know how they would get on. He would be pleased to welcome them on his lawn at some future date in the summer.

A collection at the close of the service for the County War Memorial realised 14s., and during the meeting the collecting cards for that object were circulated among the members, Mr. Harper urging all to do their best, and try and make the memorial an accomplished fact.

Fourteen towers in the district were represented, and ringing from call changes to Cambridge and Superlative was indulged in during the day, the bells being lowered at 9 o'clock.

## DEATH OF MR. P. L. COOPER.

## LOSS TO THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

It is with regret that we have to announce the death of Mr. Percy Lawrence Cooper, of Holbeck, Leeds, who passed away on Wednesday, February 22nd, from pneumonia following influenza.

The deceased first commenced ringing at Wigston Magna, near Leicester, and owed much of his early instruction to Mr. F. H. Dexter, of Leicester. Coming to Leeds some fourteen years ago he attached himself to Holbeck tower, and remained in close connection with that tower until his death, at the early age of 34 years. When the Yorkshire Association was divided into districts in 1914, the deceased was elected secretary of the Western Division, and it is largely owing to his untiring efforts that the division is in the present flourishing condition, and much regret is felt at the loss of so able and zealous a worker for the Association.

The funeral took place on Saturday, February 25th the first part of the service being taken at St. Matthew's, Holbeck by the local clergy, assisted by the Rev. C. C. Marshall (president of the Yorkshire Association), a large congregation being present representing the choir, of which the deceased was secretary, the Church Brotherhood, and the local Midland Railway offices (where the deceased was employed), together with many ringers. The Rev. E. N. Deane read the committal prayers at the graveside, after which a plain course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells, by: J. R. Kemp 1—2, P. J. Johnson 3—4, W. Barton 5—6, J. Ambler 7—8.

Mr. G. B. Bolland, the vice-president of the Yorkshire Association, together with Mr. J. Cotterell, the treasurer, and many other well-known ringers, were present. Much sympathy is felt with Mrs. Cooper and her son in their bereavement, while the loss sustained by the Exercise will be deeply and widely felt by all who knew and had worked with the deceased.

WORSLEY.—Lancashire Association.—On Friday, February 17th, in 49 mins., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: W. Gundy 1, J. Ridyard 2, W. Jones 3, S. Harrison 4, F. Grundy 5, P. H. Derbyshire 6, J. H. Ridyard (conductor) 7, A. Burton 8. Rung for confirmation service by the Bishop of Burnley.

WEST DIDSbury.—On Friday evening, Feb. 24th, for confirmation service, at Christ Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Savage 1, W. Brown 2, F. Brickell, junr., 3, A. Frost 4, R. Brickell 5, F. Brickell, senr., 6, R. Davies (conductor) 7, A. Carr 8. \* Longest length.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

### SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, second Monday, and St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.

—The next meeting will be held at St. Philip's, Chester Street, off Oxford Road, on Saturday, March 18th. Bells at 3.30. Meeting at 7 o'clock. Will members please turn up early?—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Meetings for practice, Mondays at 7.30 p.m., St. Clement Danes, March 20th. Quarterly General Meeting, St. Clement Danes, April 3rd, 6.30 p.m. Sundays at 10 a.m., St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Slough.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Kempston on Saturday, March 18th. Bells from 2.30. Tea in the Schoolroom, close to church. Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—H. L. Harlow, Dist. Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.

—The next Monthly meeting will be held at East Crompton on Saturday, March 18th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting 6.30. A good attendance is requested.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton, Manchester.

### NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—

Saxmundham District.—An important meeting of the above will be held at the Angel Hotel, Saxmundham, on Saturday, March 18th, at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Bells of the Parish Church available after noon and evening. All ringers are welcome.—George Wilson, Hon. Sec., 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Stourbridge on Saturday, March 18th. Ringing at 4 o'clock.—A. Davies, 29, Hampton Street, Netherton.

### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.

—The next meeting will be held at St. George's, Bolton, on Saturday, March 18th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, March 18th, at St. Mary's, Battersea. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14A, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

### YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.

—The annual meeting will be held at Handsworth, Shef-

field, on Sat., March 18th. Bells (8) from 2 o'clock. Service at 4.30, preacher, The Lord Bishop of Sheffield. Tea at 1/3 each will be provided immediately after service in the Schoolroom. Business meeting after tea. The Annual Report will be on sale price 2/- per copy.—F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 18, Royston Avenue, Doncaster.

ELLAND, ST. MARY'S CHURCH.—These bells have been rehung by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, and will be officially reopened for ringing on Saturday, March 18th. Bells available from 1 to 9 p.m. Service in the Church at 4 p.m. Tea in the Parish Room at 5 p.m. at 1/3 each.

BRIGHTON & DISTRICT RINGERS' SOCIAL GUILD.—All interested in the Social aspect of ringing are cordially invited to attend the first open meeting of the new Guild, to be held at the proposed headquarters, the Prince Albert Hotel (adjoining Brighton Station), on Tuesday next, 21st March. Assemble 8 p.m. Important business meeting, 8.15 sharp; smoker to follow. Turn up for a cheery half-hour with your old ringing friends!—A. York Bramble, Hon. Sec., Addison Lodge, Montefiore Road, Hove.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A Dance and Social Evening has been arranged by above to take place on Saturday, 25th March, at 7 p.m., at the Parish Hall, Christ Church, Spitalfields. Tickets 1/6 each to include refreshments. Same can be obtained from Mr. J. Bullock, 56, Halliford St., Essex Rd.; Mr. A. D. Barker, Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Slough; Mr. A. Howell, 68, Rosebery Place, Dalston, E 8, and myself. Welcome to everybody.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Sec., 57, Market St., W.2.

### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.

—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Blackburn Parish Church on Saturday, March 25th (10 bells). Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Tickhill on Saturday, March 25th. Tea only provided for those who notify me before March 21st.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch.

A meeting will be held at Lytham Parish Church on Saturday, March 25th. Bells ready at 3 p.m.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 32, Ormond Avenue, Blackpool.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District.—A Monthly meeting of the above will be held at St. Mary's, Nottingham, on Saturday, March 25th. Ringing from 4.30 to 8.30.—T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

### YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.

The annual Western Division meeting will be held at Liversedge on Saturday, March 25th. Bells (8) available from 1 p.m. onward. Tea will be provided at a charge of 1/- per head to all who notify Mr. W. Thomas, 13, Kilpin Hill, Staincliffe, Dewsbury, not later than first post, Tuesday, March 21st.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

### ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Western District.

A Quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, March 25th, at Hunsdon and Roydon. Bells available all the afternoon. Tea and business at 5 o'clock at Hunsdon. It is earnestly hoped as many as possible will endeavour to be present.—F. Dench, Hon. Dist. Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.



**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus on the 30th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 21st and Southwark Cathedral on the 28th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District. —A meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, April 1st. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Will arrange tea for 5.30. St. Paul's, Hounslow, tower will be open from 7 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.2.

**ST. EDWARD'S, ROMFORD.**—The bells at this church having been overhauled and rehung in a new steel frame, will be rededicated by the Bishop of Barking on Saturday, April 1st. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea to follow in Wykeham Hall at 1/6 each, after which the tower will be open for visitors and friends. Will all those requiring tea kindly notify the undersigned by March 29th? All will be welcome.—H. Dawkins, 61, North Street, Romford.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', Lower Edmonton, on Saturday, April 1st. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Tea, at 5.30 p.m., will be provided for all those who notify me not later than March 29th. Business meeting to follow.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7d, Morgan Mansions, Holloway, N.7.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The meeting at St. George's, Bolton, has been postponed until April 1st. Bells available at 4 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Preliminary Notice.—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Ashford on Easter Monday, April 17th. For dinner tickets, 1/- each, apply to the Hon. Sec., Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, Canterbury.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual Committee Meeting.—This meeting will be held at Oxford on Saturday, April 1st (D.V.). Unless advised to the contrary, members of committee will meet in Chapter House, Christ Church, at 3.15 p.m. Notice of motion should reach the General Secretary at least ten days before that date.—R. T. Hibbert, Sec., Warren House Lodge, St. Peter's Avenue, Caversham.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preliminary Notice.—A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Pontefract on Easter Monday, April 17th. Further details later.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec. Yorkshire Association, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Preliminary Notice.—The Annual meeting will be held in Bristol on Whit Monday, June 5th.—Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's Hill, Bristol.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—I beg to remind members that subscriptions for 1922 are now due and should be sent either direct to me or to District Secretaries.—Edith K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 17, Wellington Road, Enfield.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Monthly practice will be held at St. Thomas's Church, Dudley, at 7.30 prompt the first Monday in each month.—Fred Colclough, Hon. Sec.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

**CHANGE RINGER** on 6 and 8 requires job as JOINER, with experience in Cabinet trade. Willing to instruct beginners.—Tembey, 28, King Street, Cleator, Cumberland.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

#### HANDBELLS WANTED.

**WANTED.**—A peal of Eight or Ten HANDBELLS.—Apply with price and particulars in first instance to Mr. P. J. Johnson, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**

LIMITED,

**COVENTRY.**

MAKERS SINCE 1730.

### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

**PEAL CARDS, 3/6 Dozen.**

REPORT BOOKS, BALANCE SHEETS, RECEIPT BOOKS  
STATIONERY.

**SUPPORT FELLOW RINGERS.**

**GOOD** The Ringers' Printers,  
Bros., 31, Prestonville Rd., Brighton.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION...	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY	...	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods)	...	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	...	1 0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed, Hand-  
bells in sets Chromatic or Diatonic.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specialty Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
Telephone 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 878. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### BUSINESS FIRST.

Easter, fast approaching, will, as usual, bring with it numerous gatherings of ringers, and among them, several annual meetings. In the weeks that follow the festival, also, there will be a number of important association meetings, and it is not out of place to remind ringers that it is by the keenness which they display in these proceedings that the measure of their interest, in the organisations to which they belong, can best be measured. The Associations exist for the promotion of change-ringing, and it is by associated action in dealing with the principles of belfry work that the best results will be attained.

Not infrequently, however, members who attend the annual meeting of their Association are much more anxious to get through the business and away to the towers, than to discuss matters which would be to the well-being of their organisation. There are many subjects of interest which could be debated with advantage, but the primary object seems to be to dispose of the agenda as quickly as possible so that there may be more time for ringing. In our opinion this is not the view that should be taken of the occasion of an annual meeting. The business should be, as in some cases, of course, it is, the main consideration, especially in those instances where an Association helps to defray railway expenses. Where the annual gathering is made merely an opportunity for an orgy of ringing, we think the two things should be divided. Have a ringing festival by all means, but when ringers assemble for an annual business meeting, let the business have first claim.

This would not only benefit the Associations themselves, by encouraging more discussion on questions which should be their serious concern, but might lead to a wider interest in ringing affairs. It would encourage ringers to introduce subjects affecting the general welfare of the Exercise and the advancement of the art, which could be forwarded to the Central Council for wider discussion. In this way the Associations, as we have pointed out before, could make the Council a more useful body, and extend its influence. At present, we should think, there is on an average not more than one motion a year which comes to the Council at the direct request of an Association—and there are some forty affiliated bodies. Those Associations which are meeting at Easter might lead the way for a fresh practice by ventilating subjects of general interest and getting them placed on the Council's agenda by their representatives. If this could be done, it might prove the opening up of a new phase of usefulness for the Council, which has been blamed in the past for inactivity, but which has been offered little or no encouragement by the bodies who are responsible for its existence, once the representatives have been elected.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway),

Late 198, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN DISTRICT.)

On Tuesday, March 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

HERBERT C. BUCKLEY ... .. Treble	JOE HARCADISTE ... .. 6
JOHN BODDY ... .. 2	JOHN W. CUNDALL ... .. 7
JAMES F. HARVEY ... .. 3	JAMES COTTERELL ... .. 8
GEORGE TITTERINGTON ... .. 4	JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 9
EDWIN WHEATER ... .. 5	CHARLES BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. MOORHOUSE. Conducted by JAMES COTTERELL.

First peal on the bells since they were recast and rehung by Messrs. Taylor & Co., Loughborough.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt. in E.

*GEORGE PETTER ... .. Treble	JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 6
†GEORGE J. NICHOLS ... .. 2	GEORGE TOMSETT ... .. 7
EDWARD A. ETHERIDGE ... .. 3	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 8
EDWARD RADDON ... .. 4	ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 9
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 5	WILLIAM LYNCH ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. WILLSON.

Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of 3rd, 6th and 7th.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First peal on ten.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BLEWBURY, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BERKS BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

WALTER V. WEBB ... .. Treble	G. FREDERICK JAMES ... .. 5
THOMAS EAST ... .. 2	RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. NAPPER ... .. 3	JAMES S. NAPPER ... .. 7
ALFRED H. WEBB ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. GOODENOUGH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD G. RUE.

Rung in honour of the Royal wedding.

HAGBOURNE, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BERKS BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, March 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 22 cwt.

WILLIAM A. COX ... .. Treble	WALTER V. WEBB ... .. 5
THOMAS EAST ... .. 2	FREDERICK H. ABBOTT ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. NAPPER ... .. 3	JAMES S. NAPPER ... .. 7
*KEITH WHITE ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. GOODENOUGH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS EAST.

\* First peal. All the above are members of the local band.

KIDLINGTON, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23½ cwt.

GORDON CAUDWELL ... .. Treble	WILLIAM STONE ... .. 5
MRS. ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 2	ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 6
JACK HONEY ... .. 3	*WILLIAM JUDGE ... .. 7
*HARRY HOLIFIELD ... .. 4	HOWARD J. R. FREEBORN ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. HUDSON.

Conducted by ALBERT E. LOCK.

\* First peal in the method.

# HORNCHURCH, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; 6th and 8th covering. Tenor 19½ cwt.

CHARLES BARLOW ... .. Treble	*JOSEPH MCDONOGAL ... .. 5
*CHARLES BONE ... .. 2	*JOHN ELLIS... .. 6
*CHRIS. BAKER ... .. 3	JOHN DALE ... .. 7
*JOHN JARVIS ... .. 4	*EDWARD RISEBY... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN DALE.

Rung as a farewell to J. Jarvis, who was leaving for New Zealand on March 16th. The above are all service ringers, and was the first peal at Hornchurch ever rung by an entirely local band. \* First peal.

# BARNWOOD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE, THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. PETER'S SOCIETY OF LECKHAMPTON.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF STEOMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

*ALFRED G. HANNIS ... .. Treble	ARTHUR C. CAUDLE ... .. 5
*CHARLES W. MARTIN ... .. 2	WILLIAM TOWNSEND... .. 6
GEORGE H. WALTERS ... .. 3	JOHN F. BALLINGER... .. 7
CHARLES H. AUSTIN... .. 4	†WILLIAM HUNT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM TOWNSEND.

\* First peal of Stedman. † First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to C. H. Austin. These bells are one of the most musical light rings in the county, and were augmented and rebung by Messrs. Taylor and Co. a few years ago. The ringers wish to thank Mr. A. A. Waite for having them in excellent order for the peal.

# HAGBOURNE, BERKS. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (NORTH BERKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 22 cwt.

FREDERICK S. MACEY ... Treble	EDGAR HUMFREY ... .. 5
WILLIAM HIBBERT ... .. 2	*JAMES S. NAPPER ... .. 6
THOMAS EAST ... .. 3	RICHARD T. HIBBERT ... .. 7
†RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. GOODENOUGH Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD T. HIBBERT.

\* First peal of Stedman away from tenor. † 50th peal.

# LONDON. THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Three Hours,

At the Church of All Hallows, Barking, Tower Hill,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt.

THOMAS LANGDON ... .. Treble	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD 5
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 2	ALFRED B. PECK... .. 6
LOUIS ATTWATER... .. 3	HENRY G. MILES ... .. 7
HARRY R. PASMORE ... .. 4	HENRY R. NEWTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by HARRY R. PASMORE.

# DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

EDWARD GRINDELL ... .. Treble	GEORGE T. ROWE ... .. 5
*SIDNEY C. HAMMOND ... .. 2	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. 6
†PERCIVAL WOODS ... .. 3	ERNEST E. GRIMES ... .. 7
WILLIAM G. GROOM... .. 4	†JOHN C. G. HAGGAR... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by WILLIAM C. RUMSEY.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal of Bob Major. Believed to be the quickest peal of Major on the bells.

# WEST MEON, HAMPSHIRE. THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, March 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Evangelist,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb. in F.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. Treble	JAMES BULLOCK ... .. 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 2	FRANCIS E. DAWE ... .. 6
THOMAS H. TAPPENDER ... .. 3	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. 7
GEORGE A. CARD... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS EDWARD DAWE.

Rung on the 60th birthday of the conductor, who was born in this charming old-world village. At the conclusion of the peal the bells were 'fired.'

# BROMLEY COMMON, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Luke,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM LYDDIARD ... .. Treble	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 5
JOHN LYDDIARD ... .. 2	EDMUND MOUNTER ... .. 6
GEORGE F. JAMES ... .. 3	GEORGE DURLING ... .. 7
GEORGE W. HARRIS ... .. 4	*GEORGE W. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

\* First peal.

# WORTLEY, NEAR SHEFFIELD, YORKS. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, March 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Leonard,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5312 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

LEONARD SHAW ... .. Treble	ARCHIE BREARLEY ... .. 5
ALBERT HELLIWELL... .. 2	JAS. H. CHARLSWORTH ... .. 6
SAMUEL HARRISON ... .. 3	JOHN PARKIN ... .. 7
*WM. A. WOOLER ... .. 4	JOHN R. BREARLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOHN R. BREARLEY.

\* First peal of Bob Major. Rung with the bells deeply muffled for the Countess of Wharnccliffe, who died on March 12th, and whose remains were to be interred in the above church.

# BLEWBURY, BERKS. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (NORTH BERKS BRANCH.)

On Friday, March 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

ALFRED H. WEBB ... .. Treble	FREDERICK G. JAMES ... .. 5
THOMAS EAST ... .. 2	FREDERICK S. MACEY ... .. 6
RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 3	JAMES S. NAPPER ... .. 7
WALTER V. WEBB ... .. 4	*ROBERT N. ALDRIDGE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK S. MACEY.

Arranged for the conductor on the eve of his departure from the district. \* First peal.

# NEWCHURCH-IN-ROSSENDALE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (ROSSENDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S NO. 9 FIVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

GEO. ED. ROLLERSON... .. Treble	GEO. H. HARGREAVES ... .. 5
THOS. COLLINGE ... .. 2	ALEX. RIDEBOUGH... .. 6
JAMES ROLLERSON ... .. 3	THOS. ROLLERSON ... .. 7
HERBERT H. SHAW ... .. 4	A. NEWMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS ROLLERSON.

The above ringers all belong to St. Mary's Church, Rawtenstall, and it is the first peal by a Rawtenstall band away from home. It is also believed to be the first peal of Stedman Triples rung at Newchurch.



## LEWISHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5028 CHANGES;

Tenor 22½ cwt.

*WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... Treble	JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... 5
HARRY WARNETT, SEN. ... 2	ISAAC EMERY ... 6
JOHN WHEADON ... 3	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... 7
CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. ... 4	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... Tenor

Composed by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

\* 25th peal.

## WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

## THE DURHAM &amp; NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

THOMAS M. WHITFIELD ... Treble	GEORGE R. HOLMES ... 5
WILLIAM L. GOFTON ... 2	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... 6
JAMES E. GOFTON ... 3	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... 7
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... 4	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by JOSEPH A. GOFTON.

## GRANBROOK, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

*JAMES POWELL ... Treble	LUTHER HONESS ... 5
HARRY BAKER ... 2	GEORGE BILLENNESS ... 6
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... 3	HARRY PARKES ... 7
CHARLES TRIBE ... 4	*EDWARD R. BURGESS ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. MOORHOUSE. Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to H. Parkes.

## BUXTED, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

*STANLEY RUSSELL ... Treble	CHARLES BRASIER ... 5
ALFRED J. PIERPOINT ... 2	†EDWIN BISHOP ... 6
ALBERT HORDEN ... 3	JAMES A. HART ... 7
FRANK HAMMOND ... 4	PERCY MARCHANT ... Tenor

Conducted by JAMES A. HART.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method.

## CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN T. RICKMAN ... Treble	ALFRED W. GROVES ... 5
GEORGE ELLIS ... 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... 6
EDWARD C. MERRITT ... 3	STAFFORD H. GREEN ... 7
WILLIAM WATTS, SEN. ... 4	KEITH HART ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by KEITH HART.

## RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 22 cwt.

HERBERT RAINBOW ... Treble	JOHN T. HENSMAN ... 5
WALTER PERKINS ... 2	FREDERICK SAWFOOT ... 6
JOHN J. MAWBY ... 3	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... 7
CHARLES W. BIRD ... 4	FRED WILFORD ... Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by FRED WILFORD.

## WATTLINGTON, BERKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt.

ARTHUR HOING ... Treble	JAMES W. WILKINS ... 5
MRS. A. E. LOCK ... 2	FREDERICK S. MACEY ... 6
HARRY HOLIFIELD ... 3	GORDON CAUDWELL ... 7
ALBERT E. LOCK ... 4	FREDERICK W. WOODWARD ... Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK S. MACEY.

Rung as a farewell peal to the conductor, who desires to place on record his sincere thanks to the North Berks Branch ringers for their kindly interest towards him during his stay in the district for the past six months.

## NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 25 lb.

*OWEN H. GILES ... Treble	EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 5
*WILLIAM G. EDWARDS ... 2	D. CECIL WILLIAMS ... 6
FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 3	*WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... 7
*WALTER G. ROWE ... 4	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Cambridge. Messrs. Rogers and Harding belong to St. Mary's, Portsea, the rest to the local band.

## STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

*ERNEST MORRIS ... Treble	DET.-SGT. H. G. JENNEY ... 5
HARRY BROUGHTON ... 2	HAROLD J. POOLE ... 6
SHIRLEY BORTON ... 3	*THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... 7
JOHN OLDHAM ... 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

\* First peal of London. First in the method on the bells. The ringers wish to thank the Rector for the use of the bells, and Mr. William Briggs for having them in readiness.

## WIGAN, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 28 cwt.

FRED ABBOTT ... Treble	JAMES H. RIDING ... 5
THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... 2	TITUS BARLOW, SEN. ... 6
ERNEST CUTSFORTH ... 3	ALLAN F. BAILEY ... 7
EDWARD JENKINS ... 4	RICHARD F. DEAL ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by RICHARD F. DEAL.

The band wish to thank the Vicar for allowing the use of the bells, also Mr. Will Dickinson (of Deane, Bolton) for his hospitality after the peal.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## NEALS, WILTS.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

ARTHUR ROMNEY ... Treble	LOUIS A. PERRITT ... 4
JOSEPH J. PARSONS ... 2	HARRY S. PARSONS ... 5
TOM PENNY ... 3	EDWIN J. ROWE ... Tenor

Conducted by HARRY S. PARSONS.

First peal on the bells, first by a local band and by all except the conductor. Rung in honour of the engagement of Miss Elizabeth Grace Troyte-Bullock, eldest daughter of Lieut.-Col. E. G. Troyte-Bullock, C.M.G., and Mrs. Troyte-Bullock, of Neals House, Wilts, to the Hon. Robert Power French, eldest surviving son of Lord and Lady Ashtown.

WICKHAM, HANTS.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob, and one 720 of College Single. Tenor 12 cwt.

H. W. MERRITT ... .. Treble	*W. TATE ... .. 4
H. J. SMITH ... .. 2	J. W. RUSSELL ... .. 5
*F. A. BURNETT ... .. 3	H. BECKETT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. BECKETT.

\* First peal of Minor.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(STOCKPORT AND BOWDEN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being the extent in each of the following methods: Neasden, Sandal, Wragby, Kingston, College Bob IV., London Scholars' Pleasure and Oxford.

JOHN P. FIDLER ... .. Treble	WILFRED WILDE ... .. 4
WILLIAM FERNLEY ... .. 2	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT 5
GEORGE HILL ... .. 3	JOSEPH HECKINGBOTTOM ... Tenor

Conducted by J. HECKINGBOTTOM.

DARLINGTON, DURHAM.  
THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION  
On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's. Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM BROADLEY ... .. Treble	ALBERT HUNTER ... .. 5
ALFRED COATES ... .. 3	THOMAS SCOLICK ... .. 6
ROBERT B. ROBINSON ... .. 4	HARRY TAYLOR ... .. 7

JOSEPH CRAVEN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY TAYLOR.

First peal as conductor. Rung (with tenor covering after meeting short for Major) to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. T. Scollick.

HUNTON, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being four 720's of Kent Treble Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... Treble	CHARLES W. PLAYER ... 4
TOM SAUNDERS ... .. 2	CHARLES H. SONE ... .. 5
*LOUIS HEAD ... .. 3	LEWIS NEWMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by LEWIS NEWMAN.

First peal as conductor. \* First peal of Minor.

LIVERPOOL.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, GRASSENDALE,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of London, Beverley and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

ARTHUR LINTOTT ... .. Treble	EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. 4
THOMAS JENNION ... .. 2	JAMES MARTIN ... .. 5
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 3	JOHN ALLEN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

J. Allen's 50th peal. This peal was unsuccessfully attempted for the Royal wedding, and, through the kindness of the Vicar, was rung on the first available opportunity after.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

CHURCHKIRK, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, March 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Woodbine Treble Bob, two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and two of Plain Bob, each called differently.

W. AARON ... .. Treble	A. INGHAM ... .. 4
F. CHAMBERS ... .. 2	A. TOMLINSON ... .. 5
T. STANCLIFFE ... .. 3	L. J. WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by L. J. WILLIAMS.

GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford, Kent and Woodbine Treble Bob, Merchants' Return, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*H. W. ELSE ... .. Treble	G. CHERRY ... .. 4
G. T. CROFT ... .. 2	W. J. CROFT ... .. 5
A. W. LINDSAY ... .. 3	F. W. CROFT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. W. CROFT.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. W. Lindsay.

BROUGHTON.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 16 six-scores each of St. Simon's and Plain Bob, and 10 of Grandsire.

F. W. RANDALL ... .. Treble	H. BAXTER ... .. 3
P. J. LENTON ... .. 2	A. STAPLETON ... .. 4
A. E. WYKES ... .. 3	F. W. CROFT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. E. WYKES.

First peal in three methods on the bells. First peal as conductor. Quickest peal on the bells, also first peal for 11 years.

NEWHURCH, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's differently called. Tenor 9½ cwt.

JOSEPH LEATHERBARROW ... Treble	† WILLIAM HAMPSON ... 4
WILLIAM GOULD ... .. 2	JOHN YATES ... .. 5
GEORGE POWNALL ... .. 3	*P. C. GEORGE PYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. LEATHERBARROW.

\* First peal of Minor. † First peal away from treble. P. C. Pye was a ringer at Newchurch before joining the Manchester City Police Force. This was his first attempt for a peal on the bells of his native parish.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

COVENTRY.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Friday, March 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. F. W. PERRENS, 45, ENGLETON ROAD, RADFORD.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5009 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 size in C.

*FRANK E. PERVIN ... .. 1-2	† JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... 5-6
FRANK W. PERRENS ... .. 3-4	*HUBERT SOMMERS ... .. 7-8
† JOHN TAYLOR ... .. 9-10	

Composed by J. E. GROVES. Conducted by F. W. PERRENS. Referee: WILLIAM SMITH.

\* First peal on handbells. † First peal of Caters 'in hand.' † First peal of Stedman Caters. First peal of Stedman on handbells for the Guild, and also the first peal of Stedman Caters for the Guild by a resident band. First handbell peal rung in the city of Coventry.

## CLAPHAM.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At 63A, OLD TOWN.

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 18 in G.

ARNIGER J. TROLLOPE ... 1-2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4	HAROLD P. JAMES ... 7-8
WALTER AYRE ... 9-10	

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.  
Witness: MRS. HAIRS, SEN.

## CAMBRIDGE.

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
In TRINITY COLLEGE,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHVEY (Trin.) ... 1-2	W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') ... 5-6
E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 3-4	J. B. WOOLLEY (Jesus) ... 7-8

Composed by J. HUNT. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

## CAMBRIDGE.

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Sunday, March 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At 11, QUEEN ANNE TERRACE,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

E. G. BENSON (St. Cath.) ... 1-2	E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 5-6
W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') ... 3-4	H. G. BENSON (King's) ... 7-8

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

This is the first peal of Double Bob ever rung 'in hand,' and the first in the method by the Guild.

## HARWICH, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
At 5, KING'S HEAD STREET

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.  
Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

A peal in this method is now tapped for the first time.

## HIMNSTEAD, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,  
At THE RESIDENCE OF MR. E. BAILEY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 13 in D.

*SIDNEY BRIGGS ... 1	GEORGE LEE ... 4
FREDERICK WADE ... 2	†ERNEST BAILEY ... 5
EDGAR BAILEY ... 3	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 6
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... 7-8	

Composed by HENRY HUBBARD. Conducted by F. W. NAUNTON.  
Witness: MRS. E. BAILEY.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal of Major. The ringer of the treble was elected a member of the above Association previous to attempting the peal.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Ely Diocesan Association which was held at Tilney All Saints, was attended by members from Holbeach, Wisbech, Walpole St. Andrew, Shouldham and Watlington. Through the kindness of the Vicar (the Rev. E. V. Smith) the bells of the Parish Church were placed at the disposal of the ringers for the afternoon and evening, and the ringing included 720 Bob Minor, by: T. W. Williamson 1, W. G. Cross 2, J. B. Hallifax 3, F. Lightening 4, F. Rose (conductor) 5, T. Price 6. Touches of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob were also rung. Tea was provided at the Bell Inn, the Vicar presiding. A letter of apology for absence was received from the Diocesan Secretary (Miss V. Shorter).

It was arranged that the annual meeting of the Association should be held at Cambridge on Easter Monday, and the Vicar was elected an honorary member of the Association. Master Tony Price 'tapped' a course of Double Norwich Major on the piano.

## 'PRINCESS MARY' SURPRISE ROYAL.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Allow me to congratulate Mr. Craven on his new method, 'Princess Mary,' which I consider is one of the best ten-bell methods ever discovered. From the diagram it should be by no means difficult to ring, and I trust it will have the success it deserves. Personally, if it were my method, I should add 2nd's place at the lead end, so that 4th's place bob might be used instead of 8th's place; and then all the place-making would begin and end with a single dodge.

Curiously enough 'Bristol' was one of the methods I was thinking of when writing the letter published in to-day's 'Ringing World.'

Bristol Royal and Maximus both have different simple transposition rows at the lead-end, and both differ from Bristol Major. I discovered both of these in September last year, only to find that Mr. Trollope had discovered them nine or ten years previously. There can be no question whatever about the method being the same from Minor to Maximus, and later on, with your permission, I will illustrate how the method of 'Bristol' is evolved from Single Court Minor. — Yours faithfully,

GEORGE BAKER.

Brighton, March 3rd.

Dear Sir,—With reference to 'Princess Mary,' I find I have given the first lead end 1352749608, which ought to be 1573920486. The alteration is effected with making 2nd's place, when treble leads. I ought also to have mentioned that it will extend to Maximus or any number upwards.—Yours truly,

ARTHUR CRAVEN.

Mr. Fred Dench writes that the method published by Mr. A. Craven as Bristol Surprise Royal was published, together with the Maximus, in 'The Ringing World' on December 3rd, 1915.

## A 60th BIRTHDAY PEAL.

Born in a picturesque old thatched house in the quiet little village of West Meon, Hants, on March 16th, 1862, Mr. Francis Edward Dawe, who for many years was actively associated with ringing in London, and now resides at Guildford, returned to his native hearth last week to celebrate his 60th birthday by a peal on the church bells, as he did ten years ago on the occasion of his jubilee. To leave nothing to chance Mr. Dawe got together an excellent band of members of the London County Association, and thanks to the ready co-operation of London friends and Messrs. G. Williams (Southampton) and J. George (Birmingham) the peal was safely accomplished. Overnight, however, matters had not looked too promising. When Mr. Dawe reached the village he was given a hearty welcome by the local men, but while ringing was in progress the clapper of the tenor broke just above the ball, and the village blacksmith had to work late to effect the necessary repairs.

After the peal of Stedman Triples in the morning (for which Mr. E. Alex. Young, hon. secretary of the Central Council, kindly attended as reserve man), the bells were 'fired,' and a group photograph taken on the steps of the church.

A substantial lunch was partaken of at the Red Lion Hotel, and congratulatory speeches were made. The party then visited the thatched cottage where Mr. Dawe first saw the light, and afterwards drove by brake to East Meon, where a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major was attempted at All Saints' Church—a grand old Norman structure. After nearly two hours' ringing, however, the attempt had to be abandoned, owing to the 'bumpy' go of the tenor when turned in. The band comprised: T. Walker 1, T. H. Taffender 2, C. F. Winney 3, J. Bullock 4, G. A. Card 5, A. D. Barker 6, J. George 7, F. E. Dawe (conductor) 8.

After tea, at West Meon, the party returned to town by the last train, and Mr. Dawe takes this opportunity of most heartily thanking the Rev. W. H. Thomas, Rector of West Meon, for his cordial permission to ring, and Messrs. Gregory and Todd for their assistance in making the visit a success; also the Rev. A. S. Crawley, M.C., Vicar of East Meon, for his ready permission, and Mr. H. Blackman, the head ringer, for his exceedingly kind attention.

The ringing chamber at East Meon Church can only be reached in church by means of an iron structure, which is unique, and has to be seen to be fully appreciated. The last part of the way is compared to the entrance to a tomb's nest!

Mr. Dawe has taken part in numerous excellent achievements in his long ringing career, but on this occasion it is particularly interesting to recall that he conducted a peal of Grand sire Caters on his 20th birthday at St. Clement Danes, and a peal of Stedman Cinques from the 11th at St. Saviour's, Southwark, on his 21st birthday. He also had the gratification of conducting a peal of Triples on the golden wedding day of his own father and mother, and a year later, on that of his wife's parents.

## BELLS' ANNIVERSARY.

The 25th anniversary of the opening of the bells at Chorley, Lancashire, was celebrated on Monday, March 13th, when 1,280 Grand sire Triples was rung in 45 minutes: G. Hewitt 1, G. Brindle 2, R. Clayton 3, T. Lofthouse 4, J. H. Gartside, junr. 5, F. Rigby (conductor) 6, J. Booth (Standish) 7, H. Southworth (longest length) 8. The ringers of 1 and 4 were present at the opening ceremony.

## THE EXTENSION OF METHODS.

Last week we considered the extension of Little Methods, and it will be noticed that I never mentioned the fact that the treble could make 2nd's place. I omitted that fact because it is the foundation of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. In clearing the ground of misconception before considering Double Norwich, I mentioned coursing order, and gave a series of diagrams, beginning with Minimus; now we must go back to those diagrams, and anyone who wishes to understand Treble Bob must put those diagrams into the proper shape and study them. The first is printed thus: 2 a 3 b 4 c 2.

Draw a clock face, put 2 at twelve o'clock, 3 at four o'clock, and 4 at eight o'clock, and the next 2 will come at twelve o'clock again; put a at two o'clock, b at six o'clock, and c at ten o'clock, and treat the other diagrams up to Minimus in the same way. Now go back to Double Oxford and notice that the place-making moves the treble from a to b, and then to c, etc., so that in Shipway's mistaken Minimus we get 14263850719e, as the first lead end, and we have gone completely round the clock face, as the clock goes a step at a time from a between 2 and 3 to k between 2 and 4.

Take the plain hunting course, hunt the treble up into 2nd's place and make it; 2 leads a whole pull and 4 dodges back into 4th's place; the treble is now at k between 2 and 4, but she has got there by moving one step backwards instead of going round the clock face a step at a time; she then leads again and we get the course on six bells as shown at side.

This is the foundation of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, the Treble being the bell in the slow, and you will notice that the Lead Heads and Lead Ends of this course of twenty changes are the same as those of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

Now to develop the method, and we will take Oxford. We have 214365, and then write 124356. We make 3rd's and 4th's instead of 1st's and 2nd's, and the 2nd is now in the hunt instead of the treble, and so we ring the course, the treble being a working bell until she comes back into 1-2. She then dodges with the 2nd again, while 3rd's and 4th's are made, and we have got back to 214356, the treble being in the hunt once more. The same thing happens in every lead, and the bell in the hunt never gets above 2nd's place; therefore, in extending the method we must always move the treble one step backwards among the working bells, and there is only one shunt in Minor, and that a shunt backwards; and the Major, Royal and Minimus which have come down to us are easily seen to be the correct extension. Next week we will consider Cambridge. H. LAW JAMES.

123456  
214365  
214356  
124365

142635  
416253  
412635  
146253

164523  
etc.

## WHY ST. EDMUNDSBURY?

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I was surprised to see in 'The Ringing World' the peal rung at Wrentham, Suffolk, booked to the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury, and Ipswich Association, May I ask: Why the additional word St. Edmundsbury? If the ringers of St. Edmundsbury Branch had wished to amalgamate with the Norwich and Ipswich Association, they would have done so a year ago; instead of turning down the repeated offers extended to them by the N. and I.A. Surely this is plain to all concerned.

The Suffolk Association for the whole of the new Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich has come to stay, and with the help of its head, the Bishop (and, may I add, Suffolk ringers) intends to do its best to 'work up' a strong association, which I feel confident, the ringers of Suffolk will in the near future support and uphold, knowing it to be a just claim.—Yours, S. H. SYMONDS.

Lavenham.

P.S.—I am not blaming the ringer who sent the peal to 'The Ringing World.'

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## PRESENTATION TO FOUNDER OF THE FURNESS BRANCH.

The half-yearly meeting of the Furness and Lake District Branch was held in the picturesque old town of Kendal, on Saturday, March 11th, when between 20 and 30 ringers, including four ladies, from Ambleside, Broughton-in-Furness, Dalton-in-Furness, Kendal, Penwortham, and Silverdale, were enabled to have an enjoyable day, and rang touches of Plain and Treble Bob, Grandsire and Stedman on the ten bells of the Parish Church until a late hour.

Following tea, kindly provided by the Kendal ringers the meeting was held, and over which Mr. Atkinson (Kendal) presided, Ambleside was chosen for the annual meeting in September, and Ulverston for the quarterly ringing meeting in June.

A vote of condolence was passed with the widow of the late Mr. John Braithwaite, an old and respected member of the Kendal tower.

Opportunity was also taken of presenting the former secretary of the branch, Mr. Robinson (Ambleside) with a silver inkstand with a suitable inscription thereon, and Mrs. Robinson with a silver brooch, as a slight appreciation of the services which he had rendered in forming the branch in 1905, and carrying out the secretarial duties until last year.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the Kendal ringers for their hospitality, concluded the meeting.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,

32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.



ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

for

Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.

HANDBELLS

In Sets of any number.

BELL ROPES. MUFFLES, &c.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The incident mentioned by the Rev. E. Banks James in our last issue as taking place on the occasion of 'the first peal of Double Norwich in the City of Bristol,' on March 11th, 1893, brings the information from Mr. F. G. Newman that the first peal of Double Norwich in the city of Bristol was rung on May 19th, 1891, at the Church of St. Mary-le-Port. It was composed and conducted by Mr. J. W. Washbrook, and the other ringers were the Rev. H. A. Cockey, W. H. Paddeck, H. H. Tucker, Tom Blackbourne, F. G. Newman, Richard French and the Rev. F. E. Robinson. It was rung under the joint auspices of the College Youths and the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.

On March 23rd, 1837, Elijah Roberts tapped the peal of 19,440 Kent Treble Bob Maximus ('the full extent of the changes with the large bells at home'), in 13 hours 43 minutes.

In view of the recent controversy, which we do not intend to reopen, we must be very careful what we say about this performance, but we may, perhaps, be permitted to note that in a carefully kept book of cuttings upon interesting ringing events, Mr. Henry Johnson, of Birmingham, has preserved the record of this and other peals tapped by Elijah Roberts.

The Press cutting under notice begins as follows: 'In the manly and scientific art of change ringing Elijah Roberts is the most accomplished and unparalleled change ringer upon the handbells the world has hitherto produced.'

The 27th March is the anniversary of two noteworthy long peals. One, 12,000 Treble Bob Royal, rung in 1784, stood for more than a century as the record in the method. It was rung by the Cumberland Youths at Shoreditch, and was the culminating effort of long rivalry between the Cumberlands and College Youths for the longest length to be rung single-handed.

The peal occupied 9 hrs. 5 mins., and the tenor was rung by Allen Grant. George Gross composed and called the peal and writing in 'Treble Bob' as late as 1878, the late Jasper Snowden says it 'is probably the most wonderful performance recorded in the annals of change ringing.'

The other long peal of March 27th was rung in 1815, a 10,008 Grand sire Caters at New College, Oxford.

Berks and Bucks ringers cannot go to Boyne Hill on Easter Monday, as the rehangings will not be completed by then. Wooburn, Bucks, offers the branch a welcome for the afternoon and evening, with service and tea, followed by business meeting. In the morning, Slough and Cookham towers will be open, via G.W.Ry., and Beaconsfield and High Wycombe via Great Central Railway. The programme will follow in 'The Ringing World.'

Thirty years ago to-day was rung the first peal in which a lady took a pair of handbells. This was at 49, Clifton Street, Brighton, then the residence of Mr. George Williams, and the quartette which rang the peal (Grandsire Triples) were Mrs. G. Williams, Tom Blackbourne, George Williams and A. P. Goldard. That was an epoch-making event, for Mrs. Williams led the way to ladies taking an interest in ringing, which large numbers have followed since.

A short time ago the 5th bell at Hodnet, Salop (weighing about 11 cwt.), came down in the frame with a broken gudgeon. It has since been 'rehung' by the local blacksmith.

## REAL DOUBLE SUPERLATIVE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The footnote to the peal of real Double Superlative rung at Sunderland, and published in your issue of March 17th, states, 'it is believed to be the first time the method has been rung in this form.'

At St. Martin's, Leicester, we have been ringing it for the last two years. I have compositions of Superlative constructed on the double bob plan up to and including several of over 10,000 in one, two and three parts, the best of which contains over 9,000 with tenors together, including 59 homes. It certainly liven's up Superlative having calls at both ends. The company who rang the peal at the first attempt are worthy of the best.—Yours truly, F. H. DEXTER.  
50, Stuart Street, Leicester.

## BRISTOL UNITED GUILD.

DATE OF NEXT ANNUAL DINNER.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In your leader of March 3rd you refer to the hope that Bristol will avoid clashing with London, Birmingham, or, perhaps, a Northern dinner. The latter, of course, is out of our mind for the moment; but the committee responsible for the Bristol feast have decided to hold their dinners in future on the second Saturday in January. Next year it will be held on January 13th. We shall be about midway between London (College Youths) and Birmingham (Henry Johnson Memorial). Mr. J. Gould, of Henbury, is Master for 1923 dinner.—Yours faithfully,  
EDGAR GUISE.

Hon. Sec., Bristol United Guilds.

**NORWICH & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.****THE PROPOSED SUFFOLK EXTENSION.**

A meeting of the Saxmundham District was held at Saxmundham on Saturday, March 18th, and was well attended, five districts and eleven towers being represented. Mr. C. F. Bailey (Leiston) presided at the business meeting, and welcomed the members, and explained the object of the meeting.

The Secretary (Mr. G. Wilson) read correspondence in respect of the Kelsall bells.—Several members protested against the attitude of the officials in giving way to one resident who had an objection to bells, thus allowing a good peal of eight to go into decay much to the regret of most of the parishioners.

The chief business was to discuss the newly-formed Suffolk Diocesan Association.—The Chairman and Secretary explained at some length the history of the association since its formation, and after several present had expressed disapproval of any kind of a split, and put forward the view that there ought to be joint working, it was proposed by Mr. W. Drew, and seconded by Mr. H. Hall, 'That this meeting approve of the resolution passed by the general committee of the Norwich and Ipswich Association, in January last, viz., that the Ipswich Branch be known henceforth as the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Branch, the branch to remain as heretofore united with the Norwich branch, to be known as the Norwich Diocesan Branch, forming together one association, covering the two dioceses to be known in the future as the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association.'—This resolution was carried unanimously.

It was decided to hold further meetings in the district, to be arranged by the secretary at an early date.

The bells of the parish church were well used, and good touches were brought round; also several touches on the handbells kindly lent by Mr. F. Watling.

A vote of thanks to the chairman, and to the Vicar for the use of the bells, brought a successful meeting to a close.

**SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE ROYAL.****THE FIRST PEAL.**

Conclusive evidence of the ringing of the first peal of Superlative Surprise Royal has reached us through Mr. William Lomas, of Sheffield, who sends us a copy of the record of the peal, apparently issued at the time of the performance, which took place at Wakefield Parish Church on March 27th, 1826. Mr. Lomas informs us that he found it among his late father's papers, and thinks it must have been forwarded originally by the Wakefield ringers to his grandfather, William Hudson.

In addition to the record, the method and composition are given, and the figures of the former show it to be the method published as Superlative Surprise Royal, by Shipway, in 1816. Surmounted by a small woodcut of the church where the peal was rung, the record, which we are sure will interest our readers, is as follows:

On MONDAY, March 27th, 1826, the COMPANY of All-Saints RINGERS, Wakefield, ascended the Tower of the Parish Church, and had the honor of Ringing, in a masterly style, a true and complete Peal of Superlative Surprise Royal, consisting of 5400 Changes, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes, by TEN MEN only. (Tenor weighing 31 cwt.) The great superiority of this Peal over any other is it being the only true Peal ever rung in the Kingdom in so intricate a method, and will be a standing laurel for the Society for ages to come. The Peal was composed by Mr. JOSEPH TEBBS, of Leeds, and was by him presented to this Society, and rung by them at the first attempt. The Peal was nobly conducted by Mr. WILLIAM WOODHEAD, and Rung by the following Persons:—

**THE BAND AS STATIONED:**

Mr. William Fawcett	Treble.
— Joseph Sugden	2nd
— Mark Blackburn	3rd
— George Pickering	4th
— John Hall	4th
— James Gill	6th
— Joseph Gill	7th
— Thomas Netherwood	8th
— William Woodhead	9th
— Robert Collett	Tenor.

**THE PEAL.**

45236	
62534	
56234	First Part end.
34562	Second Do.
62345	Third Do.
45623	Fourth Do.
23456	Fifth Do.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.****BISHOP OF SHEFFIELD AT SOUTHERN DIVISION MEETING.**

The annual meeting of the Southern Division took place at Handsworth, Sheffield, on Saturday, March 18th, and was one of the most successful ever held in the area. Ringers and friends were present from Sheffield Cathedral, St. Maries' and All Saints', Sheffield, Ecclesfield, Rawmarsh, Norton, Bolsterstone, Wortley, Rotherham, Arksey, Doncaster, Ranmoor, Barnsley, Wath, Dore, Eckington, Mansfield, Chesterfield and Loughborough.

A service was held in the church, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. W. A. Baker, M.A.), and the sermon was preached by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield, who referred to the great changes which had been brought about in church life in modern times. He said that those who had had to do with church matters as long as he had—over 45 years—knew perfectly well that the state of religion and the Church was far better now than ever it had been. He desired to impress upon them, contrary to what the newspapers said, and contrary to what many of our able and clever men said, that it was a pure myth to suppose that the times in church life were worse to-day than they were in the past.

After service, tea was partaken of in the Schoolroom, about 80 sitting down to a very substantial and well-served meal. The business meeting followed, the Bishop of Sheffield being in the chair, supported by the Rev. Lee Nicholls (Vicar of Ranmoor), the Rev. P. Wright (Vicar of St. Silas, Sheffield), the Rev. B. F. Sheppard (Sheffield Cathedral), and the Rector of Handsworth (the Rev. W. A. Baker).

Mr. G. Halksworth (Doncaster), the retiring Ringing Master, was elected for another term of three years, and Messrs. Cockey (Ranmoor), Panther (Wath-on-Dearne), and Wooler (Wortley), were chosen to service on the committee for three years. Two honorary members, the Rev. W. G. Largie, M.A., Vicar of All Saints', Sheffield, and Mr. Smith, School House, Conisbrough, were elected, as were the following ringing members: Messrs. G. Nolin and B. Ditcher (Eckington), H. Hirst (St. Maries'), W. Bingham (Dore), A. Firth (Rawmarsh), J. A. Brearley (Bolsterstone), J. Parkin (Wortley), J. H. Last, and ten of the local company, viz., Misses M. Gough and E. Hopkins, and Messrs. W. Taylor, H. Buckler, W. Godden, H. Wilson, F. Cardwell, J. Garth, P. Downing and J. Taylor.

Tickhill was chosen for the next meeting, on June 17th.

Votes of thanks to the Bishop for his address, to the Rector and churchwardens for the use of the bells, to the local company and their ladies for the most excellent tea, and their hearty welcome brought a successful meeting to a close.

The methods rung during the afternoon and evening included Grand-sire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob, Bob Major, College Single Major and Double Norwich.

**ELLAND BELLS REOPENED.**

On Saturday last, the bells of St. Mary's Church Elland, were officially opened by a representative gathering of ringers from Selby, Tong, Bradford, Dewsbury, Earlsheaton, Birstal, Armitage, Bridge, Shelley, Kirkheaton, Meltham, Huddersfield, Kirkburton, Lightcliffe, Halifax, Leeds, and other places. A special service was held in the church, an address being given by the Archdeacon of Huddersfield (the Rev. R. O. M. Harvey) on the art of change ringing. He commented on the ignorance that prevailed among the outside public on the subject of change ringing, which was an exclusive art, and said that it ought always to be the aim of a ringer not to rest content until he had explored further fields.

After the service, over 100 sat down to tea in the Parish Room, and during the afternoon and evening, until 9 p.m., the bells were kept going in various Minor and Major methods, after which the handbells were brought into use, and brought to a close one of the most pleasant gathering of ringers that the town of Elland has had for some years.

The easy running of the bells added much to the pleasure of those who had the chance of having a pull. G. H. S.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, March 11th, the first monthly meeting of the Western District was held at Leigh, when about 25 members were present. A pleasant afternoon's outing and a useful practice was the result, touches in various methods from Doubles to Surprise Minor being rung, including Superlative, Cambridge, London and Wells Surprise Minor.

It was decided to hold the next practice at Upton Snodsbury on April 8th.

**A GOOD BEGINNING.**

At the Church of the Holy Cross, Milton, Northampton, on Thursday, March 16th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes) was rung in 50 mins.: A. Turner 1, C. Yates 2, R. Asplin 3, J. Townsend (conductor) 4, P. Asplin 5. This was the first quarter-peal by all the ringers, and believed to be the longest touch on the bells. The average age of the band is 21 years. Change ringing was commenced last October.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

**APPLETON BELLS AND RINGERS.****KEEPING OF A CENTURY-OLD FESTIVAL.**

On Saturday, March 4th, this renowned Berkshire village duly celebrated the 104th anniversary of its famed bells and ringers. Commencing with a well-struck peal of Grandsire Caters in the morning, particulars of which appear in the usual peal columns, a cold luncheon was served at the Thatched Tavern, to which visitors and peal ringers sat down. Further touches of 'Trobles Ten, Stedman Caters, and Triples followed in the tower, and in the evening a company of 35 enjoyed a most sumptuous meal, well served by Host and Hostess Brown at the Thatched Tavern. The Rector (the Rev. F. C. R. Jourdain, M.A.), of Pittsburg expedition fame, presided, supported by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master), and Mr. R. T. Hiboert (secretary of the Oxford Diocesan Guild), Mr. G. H. Philott, and Mr. W. T. Pates, of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, this being Mr. Philott's 50th attendance. Amongst others were Messrs. G. Caulwell (Drayton), F. Webb (Kidlington), Mrs. and Mr. A. E. Lock, and Mr. F. Barratt (Abingdon), Mr. J. W. Wilkins (High Wycombe), Mr. F. S. Macey (Smarden, Kent), Messrs. Holifields and Whites, of local fame, and others from neighbouring towers. The Master took the chair for the post-prandial proceedings, and after the toast of 'The King, the Master submitted 'The Appleton Society of Church Bell Ringers,' coupling with it the name of the Rector, whom he wished to thank for his presence, and also for the support and interest taken in his own band, and ringers generally, by permitting peals, especially long ones, to be attempted on his bells. He expressed pleasure at the splendid striking he had heard in the long peal attempt. He had hoped for its success, though he knew what difficulties had to be overcome in ringing such a long length, and the great strain on the conductor. With regard to the steeplekeeper, he could say of him that he looked after the bells in a most efficient manner, as evidenced by the excellent 'go' of the bells. Moreover, in Mr. R. White they had a very practical man doing good work in restoring bells in various parts of the country.

After the toast had been drunk, some really good ringing by the five brothers White on a peal of twenty handbells was enjoyed.—The Rector first responded, expressing his pleasure in taking part in their festival, and assuring the ringers of continued interest. He added the hope that the next attempt for the long peal would be successful.

The conductor, Mr. G. Holifield, senr., in responding, explained why they kept March 4th as an annual festival. In looking up old statistics he found that before the year 1818 Appleton tower contained only three bells, but in that year the lord of the manor either gave three more or had a new peal of six; and on the 4th of March, 1818, the village celebrated the event by holding a feast and general rejoicing. From that date, more than a century ago, the 4th of March has been an annual ringing festival. In 1858 two more bells were added by public subscription thus making a peal of eight. At a later date, the Rev. F. E. Robinson, the late Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, promised the Appleton men, on their ringing a peal of Stedman Triples, two more bells. This was accomplished, and the peal augmented to ten. That was the origin of these far-famed Appleton bells.

Finally, Mr. R. White thanked the company for mentioning his name in connection with the toast, and said he would always see that the bells could be rung with the same pleasure as at present.

The next toast was 'The Health of the Master.' Mr. Wilkins said they had in him one whom they loved, and who put his whole being into the many duties connected with his office. It could be safely said that his influence was felt in every part of the diocese, and in the matter of bells and ringing generally, throughout the ringing world.

Some first-rate glees and part-songs were given by the White and Holifield families, as well as courses of Grandsire Caters lapped by the five brothers White.—The Master, replying to the toast, expressed pleasure to be once more at Appleton. He imparted much valuable information appertaining to his official position as the Master of the Guild.

'The Guild Secretary, Mr. R. T. Hibbert,' was proposed by Mr. G. Holifield who said that, like their Master, Mr. Hibbert was the right man in the right place.

Mr. Hibbert briefly replied.

It may here be said that Mr. Jenkyn and Mr. Hibbert 'footed' the six miles from Oxford to Appleton, owing to the former gentleman's car 'shifting course,' but the return journey was made by Mr. Caulwell driving them in his car to Oxford.

As plenty of good songs were rendered, including some by the Master and secretary, the time passed pleasantly away, but before separating, 'The health of the Host and Hostess and those who kindly assisted to make "the 4th" a success,' was heartily pledged, and responded to.

A most enjoyable item was the rendering of a song composed by Mr. H. White about the peal 10,000 changes Grandsire Caters, rung in November, 1921, when he himself rang the sixth.

Mr. F. S. Macey, who has been staying in the district for some

months, and who has taken an active part in the ringing accomplished, said that he would be leaving shortly for his home at Smarden, in Kent, but before doing so desired to express his thanks for the great kindness shown him whilst among them. He would carry with him happy recollections which he would always cherish, and the knowledge gained from them he would be glad to impart in his own particular district.

Mr. J. W. Wilkins associated himself with this expression. The most successful '4th' on record closed with the National Anthem, and the hope that all might meet in the same way for many years to come.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**

The annual meeting of the Dudley and District Guild was held at St. Thomas' Parish Church, Dudley, on Saturday, March 4th. The bells (10) were kept going in various methods until 4 o'clock, when an adjournment was made to the Parish Hall, where the President (the Rev. A. H. Phelps, M.A., R.D.) conducted the Guild service, and also gave an inspiring address.

At the conclusion of the service, the company were entertained to tea in the Schoolrooms. The business meeting followed, with the President in the chair, the secretary reading an apology from the veteran ringer of the Guild, Mr. W. R. Small.

The annual report and balance sheet were read and adopted, with the usual thanks to the officers for their services during the past year.

The officers were all re-elected, with the addition of Mr. Cyril Lloyd to the list of vice-presidents.—Messrs. J. Hopson, R. Newton and A. Clarke, of Tipton, were elected ringing members.

The next quarterly peal is to be attempted at Dudley, and the next quarterly meeting held at Cradley.

It was also decided that reports of peals rung be sent to the secretary within one month, and that the monthly practice of the Guild be resumed, commencing on Monday, April 5th, and practices to follow on every first Monday in the month.—A hearty vote of thanks to the president, organist and the donors of the tea, and also to the ladies who had prepared same, was accorded, on the motion of Mr. H. Sheppard, seconded by Mr. Hughes.

The ringers, who included several ladies from Smethwick, then made their way to the belfry again, and concluded a pleasant meeting, with further touches on the bells.

**ST. GILES' SOCIETY, [READING.]**

On Saturday, February 25th, the annual meeting of the society was held at the Rising Sun Institute, when 23 members and friends, including the Vicar (the Rev. F. J. C. Gillmor) and the Rev. G. F. C. Bond, sat down to a capital supper, Mr. H. Egley being in the chair.

The balance sheet, etc., proved very satisfactory.—Mr. H. Egley was elected chairman; Mr. L. T. Osborne, secretary and treasurer; Mr. A. W. Osborne, captain; Mr. R. N. Runham, vice-captain.

Mr. Osborne thanked the members for their past support, and stated that good progress had been made during the last two years. Peals of Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Double Norwich Court Bob Major had been successfully rung. Also a peal of Stedman Triples at Caversham by all ex-service ringers, five of whom were St. Giles' members, including Nurse E. M. Goodship. He also wished to take the opportunity of thanking their Vicar for his ready consent for a peal to be attempted.

The Vicar responded in words expressing good feeling towards his ringers.

The Rev. Bond also said he hoped to be able to come amongst them more in future now that he found he was welcome at any time to visit the tower.—Mr. H. Egley thanked the members for the honour conferred on him by being elected as their chairman, remarking on the very happy hours he had spent in the belfry with the ringers. He hoped to be among them for some years to come. He urged all to do their best in ringing and striking their bells, whatever the method they were attempting.

Harmony was indulged in for the rest of the evening, and two courses of Grandsire Triples were rung by H. Egley 1—2, L. T. Osborne 3—4, A. W. Osborne 5—6, H. Osborne 7—8. Songs were sung by Mrs. Wheeler, Mr. Egley, Mr. Cook, Mr. Coldrey, and last but not least, Miss D. Batten, whose vocal abilities were much applauded. Mr. Bond gave musical 'ditties,' as did Miss A. Titcombe and P. Barnes at the piano. The singing of Auld Lang Syne and the National Anthem brought to a close a most convivial evening.

**DONCASTER & DISTRICT SOCIETY.**

The February meeting was held at Adwick-le-Street on Saturday week. Ringing on the peal of six bells commenced at three o'clock, and continued until 8.30. Touches of Grandsire, Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Kent, Oxford, Violet and Cambridge Surprise were rung in good style.

It is the first time the last-named method has been rung at a meeting of this society.

Tea was partaken of in the Institute, and was presided over by Mr. G. Halksworth. At the business meeting 16 new members were elected, this being a record number for a single meeting.

The usual votes of thanks were passed, and Tickhill was chosen as the next place of meeting.



# A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.**—On Sunday morning, March 19th, 560 Double Norwich Major: E. Munday 1, W. G. Edwards 2, G. Pullinger 3, W. G. Rowe 4, O. H. Giles 5, O. J. Fray 6, G. Williams 7, W. T. Tucker (conductor) 8; and for evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples: Rev. W. H. Helier 1, E. Dumper 2, O. H. Giles 3, W. G. Rowe 4, G. Williams 5, O. J. Fray (conductor) 6, W. T. Tucker 7, E. Munday 8.

**BIDDENDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, March 19th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Mrs. H. Baker (Frittenden) 1, H. Baker (Frittenden) 2, E. Parsons (Tenterden) 3, H. Parkes (Mersham) 4, G. Sims (Tenterden) 5, E. R. Burgess (Tenterden) 6, G. Billenness (Hawkhurst), conductor, 7, L. Honess (Biddenden) 8. First quarter by Mrs. Baker, and rung at the first attempt.

**PETERBOROUGH.**—At St. John the Baptist's Church, for evensong on Sunday, March 19th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): V. Butler 1, T. Vaughan 2, S. Wright 3, F. Davis 4, W. Cross 5, H. Beechey 6, F. Cooke 7, R. Gamble 8.

**HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.**—Oxford Diocesan Guild. — On Sunday, March 19th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Cinques (1,323 changes), in 1 hour: F. Hayes 1, R. Coles 2, G. Twitchee 3, E. R. Coles 4, G. White 5, E. Markham 6, A. Hoing 7, F. S. Macey 8, J. W. Wilkins (composer and conductor) 9, J. Gransbury 10, S. Goodchild 11, F. Boxall 12. Mr. Macey hails from Smarden, Kent, and this was his first quarter-peal of Cinques.

**HILLINGDON.**—On March 19th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, in 49 mins.: Miss G. Baker (first quarter of Caters) 1, Miss D. Feltham 2, E. Hancock 3, P. Jones 4, J. J. Pratt (conductor) 5, H. Folkard 6, J. Milner 7, A. Harding 8, H. Chandler 9, A. Dudley 10.

**ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.**—At St. Denys' Church, on Sunday, March 19th, for evening service, and also to commemorate the 21st birthday of the daughter of the conductor, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: S. Russel 1, O. Harman 2, C. Bishop 3, F. Eade 4, E. Bishop, senr., 5, C. Brasier (conductor) 6, F. Hammond 7, H. Hammond 8.

**FAIRFORD.**—For Sunday morning service, March 19th, in 53 mins., a 1,260 of Doubles, in five methods: 240 Old Grandsire, 240 Plain Bob, 240 Canterbury, 240 Grandsire, 300 St. Dunstan's: G. Law 1, B. Guy 2, H. Acock 3, G. J. Winter 4, J. Hope (conductor) 5, Police-Sergt. Hasting 6. 'Stand' had to be called between the Plain Bob and Canterbury, owing to an important message being brought to one of the ringers, otherwise the quarter-peal was perfect.

**LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.**—For Divine service, 720 Oxford R. Minor: W. H. Lawrence 1—2, S. Carter 3, W. Williams 4, E. A. Overall 5, G. H. Carter (conductor) 6.—720 Plain Bob: E. Sharp (first 720) 1, W. H. Lawrence 2, E. A. Overall 3, W. Williams 4, A. Phillips 5, G. H. Carter (conductor) 6.

**DALTON-IN-FURNESS.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, March 12th, for morning service, 756 Grandsire Triples: A. Brown 1, T. Watson 2, G. Jackson 3, Miss E. M. Stuart 4, W. H. Dennison (conductor) 5, T. Metcalfe 6, W. S. Farshaw 7, J. Burrows 8.

**ALDINGTON, KENT.**—On Sunday, March 12th, for morning service, 720 of Bob Minor: C. Slingsby 1, —, Sherwood, senr., 2, S. Hopper 3, —, Sherwood, junr., 4, C. Tribe 5, H. Parker (conductor) 6. The ringer of the treble is 85 years of age, and still 'going strong.'

**BRABOURNE, KENT.**—On Sunday, March 12th, for evening service two 720's of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, 240 and 210 Bob Minor, those taking part being: — Vickers, C. E. Cheeseman, W. Cheeseman, E. Cheeseman, L. Finn, S. Finn, P. H. Pierce and A. Castle (Bellman).

**WHITCHURCH, GLAM.**—For evening service, on March 12th, 720 Bob Minor: T. Middleton 1, J. Chapman (first 720 of Minor) 2, L. Wright 3, W. Biss (conductor) 4, F. Bailor 5, S. Dawo 6.

**GREAT CHART, KENT.**—For morning service, on March 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles, in 43 mins.: W. Hodges 1, F. Hodges 2, J. Skinner 3, G. J. Youngs 4, C. E. Good (conductor) 5, W. Baker 6. First quarter-peal by ringers of 1st and 3rd, and first on the bells.

**BRIDGNORTH, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Sunday, March 12th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), from Washbrook's No. 1: J. Overton 1, W. Roden 2, F. Cottrell 3, T. Tyler 4, E. Foxall 5, H. W. Overton 6, W. Overton (conductor) 7, H. Jones 8.

**HARLOW COMMON.**—On Sunday morning, March 12th, 1,008 Double Norwich: W. Morris 1, V. Tipton 2, H. Smale 3, L. J. Cordell 4, G. Dent (conductor) 5, S. Clark 6, J. Cordell 7, W. Wheeler 8.—For evensong, 640 Kent Treble Bob: W. Tipton 1, T. Hard 2, G. Dent 3, B. Tipton 4, W. Wheeler 5, S. Clark 6, J. Cordell 7, H. Smale (conductor) 8.

**BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER.**—On Sunday, March 12th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 47 mins.: H. E. Gillett 1, J. Collett 2, T. Banning 3, R. Pardon 4, H. Packer 5, H. Gillett 6, W. Large (conductor) 7, J. Buttler 8.

**CHIPPENHAM, WILTS.**—On Sunday evening, March 5th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 48 mins.: C. Ambrose 1, W. Hulbert 2, A. Dale 3, E. Perry 4, F. Lambeth 5, R. Pearce 6, L. Ambrose 7, S. Wiltshire (conductor) 8. Composed by G. R. Newton, and taken from 'The Ringing World' of Jan. 27th. First quarter in this method by all.

**HAYES, KENT.**—On Sunday evening, Feb. 5th, 720 College Single: J. Grandfield 1, H. Reader 2, O. Gilbey (conductor) 3, F. Keech 4, H. Brown 5, J. Hack 6.—On Sunday evening, Feb. 19th, 720 Bob Minor, by R. G. Rice, taken from 'The Ringing World': H. Reader 1, F. Keech 2, O. Gilbey (conductor) 3, G. Harwood 4, H. Brown 5, J. Brown 6.

**HOUNSLOW.**—At St. Paul's Church, on Sunday, March 5th, for evening service, a quarter-peal (1,264 changes) Bob Major, in 48 mins.: F. G. Goddard 1, J. Milner 2, W. H. Hollier 3, A. Price 4, G. Spencer 5, A. Harding 6, A. Beckensale 7, C. J. Tricker (conductor) 8.

**APPLETON, BERKS.**—On Sunday, March 5th, for the Choral Communion service, in the morning, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 40 mins.: F. S. White 1, J. W. Watkins 2, G. Holfield, senr. 3, A. H. White 4, F. S. Macey 5, C. J. White 6, G. Holfield, junr. (conductor) 7, R. White 8.—For the afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes), in 45 mins.: W. Holfield 1, F. S. Macey 2, G. Holfield, senr., 3, J. W. Wilkins (composer and conductor) 4, C. J. White 5, A. H. White 6, F. S. White 7, G. Holfield, junr., 8, R. White 9, F. White 10.

**WICKEN, NORTHANTS.**—On Sunday, March 5th, for evening service, a 720 of Cambridge Surprise: G. Cooper 1, F. Roberts 2, F. Case 3, L. Smith 4, A. J. Green (conductor) 5, T. Read 6. First 720 of Cambridge by an entirely local band.

**SOUTH HACKNEY.**—At the Church of St. John of Jerusalem, on March 5th, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 42 mins.: J. Waghorn 1, H. Alford 2, E. Richardson 3, G. Wood 4, G. Lucas 5, I. Attwater 6, J. Bullock (first quarter as conductor) 7, Pat Riley 8.

**HATFIELD, YORKSHIRE.**—On Sunday, March 5th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260), in 47 mins.: H. Rodwell 1, H. Crowe 2, H. England 3, H. Marshall 4, R. Thompson 5, D. England 6, H. Walker (Doncaster), conductor, 7, H. Howarth 8.

**WOOLWICH, KENT.**—At the Parish Church of St. Mary Magdalene, on Sunday, March 4th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 48 mins.: F. Grove 1, W. Watchorn 2, A. Connely 3, W. Horsley 4, H. Beckford 5, A. Horsley 6, W. Aldridge (conductor) 7, E. Chittenden 8.—For evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples: A. Beckford 1, W. Watchorn 2, A. Connely (first quarter-peal) 3, W. Horsley 4, H. Beckford 5, A. Horsley 6, F. Grove (conductor) 7, E. Chittenden 8.

**GRIMSBY, Lincs.**—At St. Andrew's Church, on Sunday, March 5th, for evening service, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob, in 27 mins.: E. Meffin 1, A. W. Long 2, S. Bromfield 3, F. Overton 4, F. Metcalfe 5, H. Mingay (conductor) 6.

**ST. PAUL'S, HOUNSLOW.**—At St. Paul's Church, on Sunday, March 5th, for evening service, 1,280 Bob Major: F. G. Goddard 1, J. Milner 2, W. H. Hollier 3, A. Price 4, G. Spencer 5, A. Harding 6, A. Beckensale 7, C. J. Tricker (conductor) 8.

**ISLEWORTH.**—For morning service, on March 5th, 504 Grandsire Triples: F. G. Goddard 1, T. Roadle 2, W. Lidbetter 3, F. E. Cole 4, A. Beckensale 5, J. Milner 6, G. Spencer (conductor) 7, A. Lewin 8.

**CHESHUNT, HERTS.**—On Sunday, March 5th, for evening service, 1,008 Grandsire Triples: F. J. Gilbert 1, G. Andrews 2, W. G. Darlington 3, H. Warner 4, D. Tucker 5, A. Bull 6, G. Maxim (conductor) 7, R. Smith 8.

## USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

1,040 BOB MAJOR.

23456 W B H

23564 — —  
52364 — —  
35264 — —  
26354 — —  
32654 — —  
53246 — —  
25346 — —  
34256 — —  
23456 — —

F. W. ROGERS.

629 GRANDSIRE CATERS.

23456789

23456789 1-4-5  
65324879 2S-1  
52364 9 in 3  
35264 8 in 3  
23564 8 in 3  
42365 8 in 3S  
34265 8 in 3

G. HOLLISS.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****EASTERN DIVISION.**

The annual meeting of the Eastern Division was held at St. Saviour's, Eastbourne, on Saturday, February 25th, when members attended from Brighton (St. Peter's), Battle, Chiddingly, Lewes, Waldron, Hailsham, Hellingly, Pevensey, Mayfield, Eastbourne (St. Mary's, All Saints' and St. Saviour's). Messrs. E. Bray and A. Piper, unattached members, were also present. Ringing was indulged in at St. Saviour's during the afternoon, when the members attended Divine service, the address being given by the Rev. Canon Whelpton, M.A.

Tea was provided at St. Saviour's Parish Room, where about 40 members sat down, and at the business meeting which followed. Canon Whelpton presided, supported by the Rev. Maurice Hands and Col. A. A. Oakden, churchwarden.

The Vicar having welcomed the Association, the following members were elected: Mr. R. T. Lambert (non-resident life), Mr. P. G. Waymark, Eastbourne, Hellingly, with a membership of nine, was also elected as an affiliated tower.

The secretary's report was as follows: 'The year 1921 had been one of steady progress; four new towers had become affiliated, viz., Brightling, Eastbourne (St. Saviour's), Iden and Westham. Four divisional meetings had been held at Hastings, Bexhill, Battle and Mayfield, the attendance being good on each occasion. At the end of the year 1920 the Association finance was at a remarkably low ebb, but he was pleased to report that during the past year there had been a marked improvement, and that a balance of £21 19s. 5d. had been passed on to the hon. treasurer.'

Mr. G. W. Stokes was re-elected as hon. secretary, and Messrs. G. H. Howse, W. Franks and A. R. Miles on to the committee.

Mr. G. H. Howse proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar (the Rev. Canon Whelpton) for the use of the bells, and for his original address at the service that afternoon; also for the interest the Vicar and churchwarden took in the Association.

The Rev. C. H. Clarke (general secretary), in supporting, stated that it was with pleasure that he seconded the vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the tower in which they had been ringing, and to the choirboys and organist for their services. He was shortly leaving the Eastern Division, but hoped to attend the meetings occasionally.

The Vicar, in reply, thanked them for their kind remarks, which he would share with the churchwardens, the choirboys, and the lady who played the organ. It was the first time a meeting had been held at this church since he had been Vicar, and he hoped it would not be the last.

It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Rotherfield, circumstances permitting.

This terminated the business, and the ringers then proceeded to All Saints' and St. Mary's towers, where, through the kindness of the Rev. G. M. Hands and the Rev. Canon Streetfield, the bells were available during the evening, and well struck touches from Grandsire Triples to Superlative Major were brought home. Taken altogether it was a most successful meeting.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****MAIDSTONE DISTRICT.**

A by-meeting of this district was held at East Malling on Saturday, February 25th. After ringing during the afternoon a service was held, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. W. H. Hamilton). Tea was served in the Institute, kindly provided by the Vicar and Mr. Bird (churchwarden), to which 40 sat down.

At the business meeting which followed, the Vicar took the chair, supported by Mr. Bird and Mr. T. Mannering (who acted as secretary, in the absence of Mr. S. Hazeldon through illness). Twenty-one new members were elected, including the Vicar and Mr. Bird as hon. members, and 19 ringing members from East Malling (10), Bearsted (5), St. Michael, Maidstone (3), East Farleigh (1). East Malling has four ladies who are making good progress in the art.

Mr. Mannering proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for arranging the service, and for his and Mr. Bird's kindness in providing the tea, which was very much appreciated.

Replies from both these gentlemen brought the business to a close, when a move was made to the tower for further ringing.

Much credit is due to Mr. L. Newman for the progress East Malling band has made, also for arranging the meeting, with the result that the tower has joined the Association, which was his special aim.

The towers represented at the meeting were Burnham, Bearsted, Boxley, East Farleigh, East Malling, East Peckham, Frittenden, Hutton, Linton, Maidstone (All Saints' and St. Michael), Mereworth, Deal, Chart, Tenterden, and West Malling.

The next meeting will take place at Leeds on April 29th.

**GREAT ADDINGTON.**—On Tuesday, March 7th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: G. Roberts 1, G. Blaxley 2, J. Bulls 3, A. Hall 4, J. Hudson 5, F. Ball (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by the ringers of the treble and 4th, and first as conductor by F. Ball.

**NOTICES.**

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, Commercial Road, Woking.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

—Meetings for practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, second Monday, and St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A Dance and Social Evening has been arranged by above to take place on Saturday, 25th March, at 7 p.m., at the Parish Hall, Christ Church, Spitalfields. Tickets 1/6 each to include refreshments. Same can be obtained from Mr. J. Bullock, 56, Halliford St., Essex Rd.; Mr. A. D. Barker, Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Slough; Mr. A. Howell, 68, Rosebery Place, Dalston, E.8, and myself. Welcome to everybody.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Sec., 57, Market St., W.2.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The postponed Quarterly Meeting will be held at Portishead on Saturday, March 25th. Bells available from 3 o'clock.—Edith Smith, Sec., 23, Somerset St., Kingsdown, Bristol.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The usual Monthly meeting will be held at Armley on March 25th. The bells will be dedicated at 3 p.m. by the Bishop of Knaresborough, and will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. All ringers are welcome.—M. Moorhouse, Hon. Sec., 10, Mitford Road, Armley.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Blackburn Parish Church on Saturday, March 25th (10 bells). Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Tickhill on Saturday, March 25th.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—A meeting will be held at Lytham Parish Church on Saturday, March 25th. Bells ready at 3 p.m.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 32, Ormond Avenue, Blackpool.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A Monthly meeting of the above will be held at St. Mary's, Nottingham, on Saturday, March 25th. Ringing from 4.30 to 8.30.—T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division. The annual Western Division meeting will be held at Liversedge on Saturday, March 25th. Bells (8) available from 1 p.m. onward.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, March 25th, at Hunsdon and Roydon. Bells available all the afternoon. Tea and business at 5 o'clock at Hunsdon. It is earnestly hoped as many as possible will endeavour to be

present.—F. Dench, Hon. Dist. Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Gloucester Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary de Lode, Gloucester, on Saturday, March 25th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting at 5 o'clock in St. Catherine's Schools, Priory Road.—Captain A. A. Bennett, C.A., Hon. Sec., Newton House, Gloucester.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus on the 30th; Southwark Cathedral on the 28th, both at 7.30 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Biddulph on Saturday, April 1st. Please notify me on or before March 27th how many intend to be present from your tower.—E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, April 1st. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Will arrange tea for 5.30. St. Paul's, Hounslow, tower will be open from 7 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.2.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—The Annual meeting of the Western Division will be held at Angmering on Saturday, April 1st. Ringing to commence at 3 o'clock. Tea at the Schoolroom at 5. All those intending being present please notify me before March 29th. Local Secretaries please note—subscriptions are now overdue.—A. W. Groves, Sugden Road, Worthing.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Offley on Saturday, April 1st. Bells available after 3 p.m. Tea arranged for. Ringers welcome.—F. R. Bacon, 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Hurst on Saturday, April 1st, from 6 till 9 p.m.—Jos. White.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Potton on Saturday, April 1st. Bells ready at 3. Tea at 5. A good attendance is requested.—C. J. Ball, Dist. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A monthly meeting of this branch will be held at Sapcote on Saturday, April 1st. Bells (6) will be available from 3.30 p.m.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**ST. EDWARD'S, ROMFORD.**—The bells at this church having been overhauled and rehung in a new steel frame, will be rededicated by the Bishop of Barking on Saturday, April 1st. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea to follow in Wykeham Hall at 1/6 each, after which the tower will be open for visitors and friends. Will all those requiring tea kindly notify the undersigned by March 29th? All will be welcome.—H. Dawkins, 61, North Street, Romford.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', Lower Edmonton, on Saturday, April 1st. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Tea, at 5.30 p.m., will be provided for all those

who notify me not later than March 29th. Business meeting to follow.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7d, Morgan Mansions, Holloway, N.7.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The meeting at St. George's, Bolton, has been postponed until April 1st. Bells available at 4 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual Committee Meeting.—This meeting will be held at Oxford on Saturday, April 1st (D.V.). Unless advised to the contrary, members of committee will meet in Chapter House, Christ Church, at 3.15 p.m. Notice of motion should reach the General Secretary at least ten days before that date.—R. T. Hibbert, Sec., Warren House Lodge, St. Peter's Avenue, Caversham.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The April meeting will be held at Norton on Saturday, April 1st. Tea will be provided for those who notify Mr. Wm. Biggin, 13, Abbey Lane, Woodseats, Sheffield, before March 30th, at a charge of 1/3 each. Owing to its isolated position, Norton ringers will be pleased if this notice is adhered to. A meeting of the committee will be held after tea.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—Annual meeting to be held at Helmsley on Saturday, April 1st. Bells of the Parish Church (8) will be available from 12 o'clock to 7 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m. at the Café, 1/6 each. Business meeting in the Class Room, Canon's Garth, immediately after tea. Will all requiring tea please notify Mr. G. Finch, High Street, Helmsley, not later than Tuesday, March 28th?—A. L. Henderson, Hon. Dist. Sec., Mayfield, Pickering.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District Quarterly Meeting, Saturday, April 1st, at Ratby and Groby.—Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at reasonable charge to all who inform Rev. Hanford, Ratby Vicarage, by March 30th.—H. E. Norman, Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting of the Bristol Branch of the above association will be held at Abbotsleigh on Saturday, April 1st. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. Please notify Branch Hon. Sec. by March 27th.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A District meeting of the members of the association in the Archdeaconry of Sudbury will be held in the Church Room, Lavenham, at 3 o'clock on Saturday, April 1st. Tower bells and handbells available from 2 p.m. onwards.—Rev. R. L. Gardner, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly General Meeting, Monday, April 3rd, 6.30 p.m. St. Clement Danes, business meeting, 8.15 p.m. Practices, Mondays, at 7.30 p.m.: Bishopsgate, April 10th; St. Clement Danes, April 17th; Wilton Road, April 24th. Sundays at 10 a.m.: St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Slough.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery.—The Annual Meeting will be held at Shepton Mallet on April 8th. Those requiring tea should notify me by April 5th. Shepton Mallet and Doulting bells are available from 3 p.m.—J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., *pro tem.*



**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the association will be held at Burton-on-Trent on Easter Monday, April 17th. The committee will meet in St. Paul's Institute at 2.30. There will be a service in St. Paul's Church at 3.15. A meat tea, at 2/6 per head, will be ready at 4 o'clock in St. Paul's Institute, to be followed immediately by the General Annual Meeting of the Association. The times for ringing have been fixed as under: Parish Church and St. Paul's Church, 10 to 3 and 6 to 8 o'clock; St. Mark's Church, Winshill, 12 to 3 and 6 to 8 o'clock. Owing to Bank Holiday, very special arrangements have to be made for tea, and the local committee wish me to make it very clear that it will be impossible to provide tea in the Institute except for those who give notice of their intention to be present to Mr. J. Griffin, Local Hon. Sec., 11, Shobnall Street, Burton-on-Trent, not later than first post on Thursday, April 13th.—Alfred C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Cambridge on Easter Monday. A start will be made at 10 o'clock at the Roman Catholic Church, also Great St. Mary's and Great St. Andrew's bells will be available all day. There will be a committee meeting for officers of the association at Great St. Mary's Vestry, followed by service in the church at 12 o'clock. Lunch (2/6) at the Dorothy Cafe, Sidney Street, followed by the meeting. Notice of motion to reach the General Secretary ten days before that date. It is hoped as many as possible will attend.—V. Shorter, Gen. Sec., 3, Pembroke Street, Cambridge.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Ashford on Easter Monday, April 17th. The S.E.R. Co. will convey parties of not less than twelve at a single fare and a third. The form of application for reduced fares can be obtained from the Hon. Sec., also dinner tickets (1s. each). For either or both apply soon.—Fred. J. O. Helmore, Hon. Sec., Canterbury.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—Will members of this district who intend to go to Ashford on Easter Monday send their names to me as soon as possible, as I have a quotation for a charabanc; twenty-eight required? Names must be sent early to secure the vehicle.—T. Groombridge, Hon. Dist. Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preliminary Notice.—A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Pontefract on Easter Monday, April 17th. Further details later.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec. Yorkshire Association, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Preliminary Notice.—The Annual meeting will be held in Bristol on Whit Monday, June 5th—Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's Hill, Bristol.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### HANDBELLS WANTED.

**WANTED.**—A peal of Eight or Ten HANDBELLS.—Apply with price and particulars in first instance to Mr. P. J. Johnson, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

**PAIGNTON, DEVON.**—On Tuesday evening, February 21st, for Confirmation service, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes) Grandsire Triples rung in 50 mins.: F. Allwood 1, \*A. Reynolds 2, J. S. Collings 3, F. Norrish 4, C. Austin 5, F. B. Parnell 6, F. T. Gover (conductor) 7, H. J. Hole 8. \* First quarter-peal on an inside bell.

## ALFRED BOWELL, CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**

LIMITED,

**COVENTRY.**

MAKERS SINCE 1730.

#### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

**PEAL CARDS, 3/6 Dozen.**

REPORT BOOKS, BALANCE SHEETS, RECEIPT BOOKS  
STATIONERY.

**SUPPORT FELLOW RINGERS.**

**GOOD,** The Ringers' Printers,  
Bros. D., 31, Prestonville Rd., Brighton.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowden Series.

#### REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 5th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
Silver Smith,  
**WOKING**  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.  
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 85/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER, Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TRINITY HOUSE, 171 WOKING**  
**WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by The Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Hollis & Co. Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 876. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, MARCH 31st, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for transmission as a newspaper.

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### GET OUT OF THE RUT.

Whenever it pauses to survey the position, the Exercise is inclined to pride itself upon the advances which it has made in the last three or four decades, and in some respects, such as, for instance, the wider practice of change ringing, and the generally improved condition of belfries, there is justification. But when we read of such a performance as that which we published last week as having been accomplished in 1826 at Wakefield, we begin to wonder whether, in method ringing, we have advanced very far in the last one hundred years. How many bands are there to-day who could do as these Yorkshiremen did a century ago, ring a peal of Superlative Surprise Royal at the first attempt? And we may be sure that the peal was very well rung, for with bad ringing and numerous trips a peal in such a method would never have been got home. To-day, Cambridge Surprise Royal is looked upon as practically the highest stage to which ten-bell ringing has reached. These men of Wakefield rang Cambridge Royal in 1822.

Except for the comparatively new method of Bristol Surprise, which has gained a deserved popularity among advanced ringers, what do ringers—with one or two exceptions—content themselves with in the higher methods?—Superlative, Cambridge and London. Superlative Surprise was rung at Huddersfield in 1821, Cambridge Surprise Major in London in 1783, and in Sheffield in 1787, London Surprise Major in Norwich in 1835, New Cambridge Major at Huddersfield in 1822, and, as we have seen, Cambridge Surprise Royal at Wakefield in 1822, and Superlative Royal by practically the same band in 1826. So that, after all, in point of the methods we ring, we have not gone far in the last one hundred years.

We are not belittling the performances of those who ring the same methods to-day, but when we compare the present facilities with those of the men who scored these early triumphs, can we say that we are showing the initiative that should be expected of us? It cannot be said that these methods are the limit of what are good among Surprise methods. We are not sure that it can even be said that they are the most difficult. What seems to be lacking is enterprise. There are among peal ringers to-day too many who look to 'scoring' more than they look to progress, and are content to ring methods in which they feel more or less certain of 'bagging' a peal. Some make no effort to get beyond Treble Bob or Double Norwich; others are content with such Surprise methods as are to them as familiar as Grandsire. We need more bands like the men of Leiston, and like the ringers of Whitley Bay, who will lift the practice of ringing out of the rut.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

Messrs. **CHARLES CARR, Ltd.**

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

**Late 155, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

WALTHAMSTOW N.E.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5139 CHANGES:**

Tenor 19½ cwt.	
*HENRY DYAS ... .. Treble	JAMES C. ADAMS ... .. 6
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 2	GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... .. 3	ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. ... 8
WILLIAM H. WOOD ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... 9
†WALTER STEED ... .. 5	WILLIAM H. FREEMAN ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.  
Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Bishop of Colchester. \* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Caters.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

ALDERMASTON, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:**

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb.	
*JOHN WAINE ... .. Treble	ERNEST FRANKUM ... .. 5
ROBERT FRANKUM ... .. 2	CHARLES GILES ... .. 6
JOHN FRANKUM ... .. 3	JOSEPH HANDS ... .. 7
*ALBERT FRANKUM ... .. 4	HERBERT FRANKUM ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES GILES.  
\* First peal. Rung in memory of William Frankum, who died Feb 21st, and was a bell ringer for over 40 years.

ALFRETON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Martin,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES:**

Tenor 15 cwt.	
*CYRIL J. JENNINGS ... .. Treble	FRANK F. HILL ... .. 5
WILLIAM POYSER ... .. 2	*HERBERT G. FRETWELL ... 6
ARTHUR J. ORGILL ... .. 3	WILFRED H. BUXTON ... 7
WILLIAM A. PARSONS ... 4	JOSEPH LORD ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.  
\* First peal in the method.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Bell Foundry Tower,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES:**

JOHNSON'S VARIATION OF MIDDLETON'S. Tenor 6½ cwt.	
JOHN OLDHAM ... .. Treble	JAMES S. HUTCHBY ... .. 5
*F. HORACE E. STUBBS ... 2	W. RICHARD DRAGE ... .. 6
JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 7
PRYCE TAYLOR ... .. 4	EDWARD READER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. READER.  
\* First peal in the method 'inside.'

WHITWORTH, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Bartholomew,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5080 CHANGES:**

Tenor 15½ cwt.	
JOHN FITTON ... .. Treble	STANLEY PICUP ... .. 5
GEORGE STAFF ... .. 2	WILLIAM CRABTREE ... .. 6
*FRANK BERRY ... .. 3	JOHN H. C. MASSEY ... .. 7
JAMES JACQUES ... .. 4	HERBERT DAVENPORT ... Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by H. DAVENPORT.  
\* First peal in the method. The ringers of treble, 2nd and 7th hail from Milnrow, 3rd and 4th from Middleton, 5th from Bacup, and 6th and tenor from Todmorden.

## HIGHGATE.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANNE, BROOKFIELD.

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

RICHARD BEVAN... ..	Treble	CHARLES PRYOR... ..	5
*MISS KITTIE SMITH... ..	2	ERNEST YOUNG... ..	6
THOMAS NEWMAN... ..	3	†CECIL J. MATTHEWS... ..	7
ERNEST BONFIELD... ..	4	FRANK SMITH... ..	Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

Conducted by FRANK SMITH.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First peal on eight bells.

## ASHTED, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

## A PEAL OF GRANDIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

*MISS FULLER... ..	Treble	GEORGE MARRINER... ..	5
JOHN BEAMS... ..	2	ARTHUR DEAN... ..	6
GEORGE COOK... ..	3	JOHN H. WHITE... ..	7
ALBERT HARMAN... ..	4	WILLIAM LYNCH... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN H. WHITE.

\* First peal.

## QUORNDON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

KEDVERS F. ELKINGTON... ..	Treble	HARRY BROUGHTON... ..	5
JOHN OLDHAM... ..	2	SHIRLEY BURTON... ..	6
JOHN SADDINGTON... ..	3	HAROLD J. POOLE... ..	7
WILLIAM SMITH... ..	4	EDWARD READER... ..	Tenor

Composed by the late C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by H. J. POOLE.

First peal in the method on the bells. The ringers take this opportunity to thank the Rector for placing the bells at their disposal.

## MITCHAM, SURREY.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT... ..	Treble	ALLAN R. MACDONALD... ..	5
WILLIAM H. JOINER... ..	2	WILLIAM H. PASMORE... ..	6
HAROLD J. WALTON... ..	3	LOUIS ATTWATER... ..	7
ARTHUR WALTON... ..	4	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD... ..	Tenor

Composed by SIR A. HEYWOOD. Conducted by C. W. R. GRIMWOOD.

## RYE, SUSSEX.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

FREDERICK UNDERDOWN... ..	Treble	LEWIS NEWMAN... ..	5
HARRY BAKER... ..	2	GEORGE KENWARD... ..	6
CHARLES TRIBE... ..	3	CHARLES PLAYER... ..	7
CHARLES H. SONE... ..	4	EDWARD CURD... ..	Tenor

Conducted by C. H. SONE.

## KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt. in E.

PERCY O. LAFLIN... ..	Treble	JOHN WITHERS... ..	5
†WILLIAM H. BALL... ..	2	†CHARLES WEBB... ..	6
*JACK WITHERS, JUN... ..	3	ALBERT E. NORMAN... ..	7
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT... ..	4	JOHN NEAL... ..	Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by P. O. LAFLIN.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in F.

CHARLES SAMPSON... ..	Treble	JAMES G. REMSEY... ..	5
ERNEST S. BAILEY... ..	2	CHARLES F. BAILEY... ..	6
*LEONARD P. BAILEY... ..	3	EDGAR H. BAILEY... ..	7
GEORGE BAILEY... ..	4	JAMES M. BAILEY... ..	Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method, also quickest peal of Major on the bells.

## KINVER, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb.

WILLIAM SHORT... ..	Treble	ALFRED DAVIES... ..	5
THOMAS J. SALTER... ..	2	*JAMES GEORGE... ..	6
ERNEST J. BROOKS... ..	3	SAMUEL GROVE... ..	7
JOHN BASS... ..	4	ROBERT MATTHEWS... ..	Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

This peal was specially arranged for Mr. James George, and was his first peal of London away from the treble. Mr. George was congratulated after the peal upon having added another 'star' to his list of honours.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and one 720 each of College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

ERNEST J. NEWELL... ..	Treble	ERNEST W. DAY... ..	4
*MISS A. MAY DURRANT... ..	2	FRANK W. CROFT... ..	5
HERBERT E. DAY... ..	3	GEO. T. CROFT... ..	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE T. CROFT.

\* First peal of Minor and first attempt.

## STANDON, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of City Delight, New London Pleasure, Duke of York, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 17 cwt.

NATHAN PATMORE... ..	Treble	BARNARD PATMORE... ..	4
SIDNEY CARTER... ..	2	HENRY WALLACE... ..	5
ERNEST A. OVERALL... ..	3	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE... ..	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE.

CREWE.—On Tuesday, February 14th, at Christ Church, by the local society, a quarter-peal (1,344 changes) of Cambridge Surprise Major, in 51 mins.; also on Tuesday, March 14th, 1,220 changes in the same method, in 48 mins., by: William T. Holding 1, Harry F. Holding 2, Richard D. Langford 3, George H. Crawley 4, Albert Crawley 5, Harry Overton 6, Richard T. Holding 7, James H. Riding (conductor) 8. These were the first quarter-peals of Cambridge by all the band and on the bells.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.



ST. MELLONS, MONMOUTHSHIRE.  
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

being two 720's of Kent Treble Bob and five 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

ERNEST H. HUNT ... .. Treble	JOHN W. JONES ... .. 4
WILLIAM B. BISS ... .. 2	FRANK J. BAILEY... .. 5
FREDERICK J. BAILEY ... .. 3	WILLIAM BOLTON... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM B. BISS.

First peal on the bells, which were put in by Messrs. Warner in 1914.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Feb. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the Performer.

Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

A peal in this method is now tapped for the first time.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 19, 1922, in One Hour and Forty-Six Minutes,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. 1-2	*KEITH W. WHITTELL ... .. 4
*HARRY D. LISTER ... .. 3	STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... .. 5-6

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

Witness: MR. F. MORLOCK, JUN.

\* First peal and hail from Bildeston. Rung in the engineering workshop of Mr. F. Mortlock, sen.

CAMBRIDGE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

IN TRINITY COLLEGE,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.**

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY ... .. 1-2	W. H. J. HOOTON ... .. 5-6
J. B. WOOLLEY ... .. 3-4	*E. G. HIBBINS ... .. 7-8

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

\* First peal of Treble Bob 'in hand.'

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, March 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 14 in D.

WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... .. 1-2	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 5-6
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 3-4	ERNEST WEATHERBY ... .. 7-8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

WOBURN, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,

AT 20, BEDFORD STREET,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

DOUGLAS HARRIS... .. 1-2	CYRIL HERBERT... .. 5-6
ERNEST HERBERT ... .. 3-4	*EDMUND HOBBS... .. 7-8

Conducted by EDMUND HOBBS.

Witness: CHARLES HERBERT.

Believed to be the first 'double-handed' peal in the method by resident members of the Beds Association. \* First peal on handbells, and as conductor on eight bells.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

**WESTERN DIVISION'S LOSS.**

The annual meeting of the Western Division of the Yorkshire Association was held at Liversedge, on Saturday last. Some forty ringers took advantage of the opportunity of using the fine peal of bells cast by Dobson, of Downham Market, in 1815, and kept them going throughout the afternoon and evening in a variety of methods.

At the business meeting, a vote of condolence with the widow of the late Mr. P. L. Cooper was carried, the members rising in their seats as a last tribute of respect to one to whom the division owes much of its success. The quiet yet effective manner in which the deceased carried out the secretarial duties of the Division won him the respect of all who came in contact with him. In Mr. Cooper the Association lost an able and willing helper, and his early death leaves the Exercise all the poorer, and the sympathy of his Association goes out to Mrs. Cooper and her son in their bereavement.

It was decided if possible to hold the next meeting of the Division in June at Skipton, and, failing there, that the secretary try to make the necessary arrangements at Gargrave.

Mr. F. Hopwood was elected Secretary of the Division, Mr. J. Broadley being appointed as Ringing Master. It was decided to fill the two vacant seats on the District Committee (caused by the elevation of these two gentlemen to official positions) at the June meeting.

A long discussion took place concerning an annual dinner of the Association, and the matter was eventually left for the general meeting at Pontefract to decide.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and wardens of Liversedge was replied to by the Vicar (the Rev. F. Clare, M.A.), who produced the parish log book and showed the meeting the actual agreement signed by the bell founder in 1815 for Liversedge bells, the quaint wording of the accounts being of great interest to the meeting. After the bells were cast it seems that a balance was left, and this balance is entered in the accounts as being disposed of by treating the ringers. Great regret was expressed that such a custom has fallen into disuse.

A vote of thanks to the local company and the ladies for their efforts, replied to by Messrs. A. Armitage and Halmshaw, who extended a hearty welcome to the visitors, and trusted that Liversedge would be visited again in the near future.

**RINGERS' SOCIAL GUILD.**

**FIRST OPEN MEETING AT BRIGHTON.**

The first 'open' meeting of the newly-formed Brighton and District Ringers' Social Guild was held on Tuesday, March 21st, at the Prince Albert Hotel (adjoining Brighton Station); the first part of the evening being occupied with the necessary business matters, while musical items filled the latter half.

Several apologies for absence had been received, together with good wishes for the success of the Guild. The minutes of the inauguration of the Guild, which took place on January 10th last, were read and adopted.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. A. York Bramble) reported as to the enrolment of members; the choice of the Prince Albert Hotel as the proposed headquarters of the Guild (from the points of view of locality and economy); the financial position; the interest shown by others than resident County Association ringers; and the suggestions made as to the programme of activities of the Guild. In regard to these matters, the following proposals were put to the meeting and carried unanimously:

The adoption of Prince Albert Hotel as Guild headquarters, as being midway between the two principal Brighton towers, adjoining the station; and affording exclusive use of committee and general meeting rooms, with piano, billiards, etc.

The expenses being purely nominal (postages, etc.), no subscription is to be fixed; but expenses to be defrayed by occasional collections at Guild meetings; a petty cash book being kept by the hon. secretary.

Membership to be open to all interested in the social aspect of ringing; but only resident members of the Sussex County Association to manage Guild affairs, all others being 'associate' members; the 'peal' qualification to be dropped.

Two Guild meetings to be held each quarter, one being at headquarters, and the other at the conclusion of the Central Divisional quarterly meeting of the County Association; the annual Guild meeting to take place at Christmas time, with the annual dinner of the Guild.

The election of officers for the current year resulted in the following appointments: Chairman, Mr. W. C. Hart; hon. secretary, Mr. York Bramble; committee, Mr. George Ades, Mr. A. Stalham, and Mr. A. D. Stone.

The question of the next meeting was solved automatically by the resolution above mentioned. It will be at Ditchling on Easter Monday next, and will be the first of the two meetings to be held in the spring quarter.

Intending members of the Guild should send their names and addresses to the hon. secretary, and indicate whether they are members of the Sussex County Association.

## WHY 'SUFFOLK DIOCESAN'?

To the Editor.

Sir,—No 'Surprise' seems to have been expressed by anyone at the recent assumption of the above title by a few ringers in West Suffolk. Yet that title would appear to be open to grave objection on the score of the following anomalies: (a) There is no diocese of Suffolk; (b) a considerable slice of that county (the deanery of Lotheringham, including Lowestoft), is part of the diocese of Norwich; (c) an overwhelming majority of the ringers in Suffolk won't have the title ('Suffolk'); they have chosen 'St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich'; and they prefer this latter, coupled with the name 'Norwich'; (d) the Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich is already one of the patrons of the Association (the N. and St. E. and I.A.), to which these ringers, who are in the majority, belong.

The situation may appear puzzling to some people in other parts of the country, but what all ringers will at once appreciate is that ringing organisations are essentially democratic institutions; that the wishes of the majority must prevail; and that, therefore, a body of 80 ringers (to give round figures) cannot expect to dictate to an Association of 400 (round figures again).

The St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Branch (of the N. and St. E. and I. Association) is already a very strong Association with ample resources to serve the needs of all the ringers of Suffolk, both East and West. It has over 40 years of service to its credit, and the majority of Suffolk ringers desire to remain within its fellowship.

There is, however, another and wider aspect. This 'Suffolk diocesan' disorder, as the authors of it should be aware, is causing confusion among ringers generally, and may well have a disturbing effect on the comity of ringing associations.—Yours very truly,

G. P. BURTON.

Bracondale, Norwich.

24th March, 1922.

## WHY ST. EDMUNDSBURY?

Dear Sir,—If Mr. S. H. Symonds would kindly read the report of our Suffolk branch meeting held at Ipswich, on Saturday, February 4th, 1922, published in 'The Ringing World' of February 10th, 1922, page 89, he will find the answer to his letter in 'The Ringing World' of March 24th 'Why St. Edmundsbury?' He will also gather further information bearing on this matter from the report in 'The Ringing World' of March 24th, 1922, page 185, of the meeting of our Saxmundham district, held at Saxmundham on Saturday, March 18th,

ARTHUR L. COLEMAN,

General Secretary.

Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich  
Diocesan Association.

## DOUBLE NORWICH IN BRISTOL.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In your 'Belfry Gossip' of 24th inst., a reference is made to the fact that a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major was rung at St. Mary-le-Port Church, Bristol, on May 19th, 1891, under the auspices of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association and the Ancient Society of College Youths. I write to state that there is no such peal recorded in our peal book, but that the men referred to rang a peal of Stedman Caters at St. Mary Redcliffe, Bristol, on May 18th 1891, with the exception of H. H. Tacker, who rang his first peal for this Association in 1899. It would be very interesting to Bristol ringers to know whether there is an error, because, so far as we know, the peal mentioned by the Rev. E. B. James was the first peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major rung in the City of Bristol.—Yours faithfully,

EDGAR GUISE,

Hon. Sec., G. and B.D.A.

The information upon which our paragraph was based was supplied by Mr. F. G. Newman, who took part in the peal, and who sent up a copy of the report which appeared in the 'Bell News' at the time.—Ed. 'R.W.'

## LADIES' GUILD.

WESTERN DISTRICT.

The postponed quarterly meeting of the Western District was held at Portishead on Saturday, March 25th, about 30 members and friends being present, including several probationers, who it is hoped may become members before long.

A short meeting was held in the belfry prior to the service, which was conducted by the Rev. H. S. Briggs.

An excellent ten was enjoyed at the 'White Cot' Dairy.

Two new honorary members were elected, viz., Mrs. Jukes, wife of the Rector of Portishead, and Miss Barnham, of Bristol.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Rector, and the Portishead ringers for the use of the bells, to the Rev. H. S. Briggs for arranging the service, and to Miss Orchard for acting as organist.

## RINGING IN VANCOUVER.

ACTIVITIES IN THE FAR WEST.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—It is some time since you heard from this quarter of the globe, so my letter to you must be a little longer than usual. In the first place we are all lamenting the loss to our band in Vancouver of Mr. John Dearlove, who left some few months ago for Brighton, Sussex, after ringing a well-struck farewell touch of Grandsire Triples.

Shortly after Mr. Charles Willshire's visit and peal attempt here, I received a letter from Commanding Officer W. A. Cooke, R.N., of H.M.S. 'Raleigh,' at Bermuda, informing me of that ship's intending visit to this coast, and that two of her officers were looking forward to a ring. They arrived on December 27th, and left us on January 9th, and, it is needless to say, were in the belfry on every possible occasion. We rang the old year out and the new year in with 336 Grandsire Triples, the ringers being: Major C. R. Jerram, R.M.L.I., C.M.G., D.S.O., M.M., 1, A. O. Limpus 2, W. A. Cooke, R.N., 3, J. Parkinson 4, W. Sampson 5, H. Whiteman 6, George Roberts 7, Arthur King 8.

The following day we attempted a peal, but lost it after 1 hr. and 25 mins. good striking. On this occasion George W. Foster was our conductor, having come in from Port Haney, some 35 miles east, for the occasion, but the crossing of two bells deprived us of a good peal. We hope, however, for better luck on the return visit of the ship next year.

Now we have lost Mr. H. Whiteman, who is down in San Francisco, Cal., but we have gained for some time at least, a valuable ringer in Mr. A. P. Goddard, who is wintering here from the prairies. He was some time bell hanger for Messrs. Lewellins and James, of Bristol, the founders of our peal.

I am glad to be able to tell you that we, as a band of ringers, are getting a goodly measure of encouragement from the Press, also from the city. No less than three times have we been asked by the Mayor and Council to ring. The first occasion was the dedication of the peace arch on the international boundary at Blain, Washington, to commemorate the 100 years of peace between this country and the United States. The next occasion was on Armistice day, when we rang for 15 minutes half-muffled, on the conclusion of the two minutes' silence observed at 11 a.m., and again, open at the conclusion of the service in front of the Court House as the last note of the 'Last Post' died away. Lastly, to-day, we were requested to ring in honour of the wedding of Princess Mary. After various touches, including one of 504, a fairly well-struck quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was brought round, in 46 minutes, the ringers being A. King (first away from the tenor) 1, Geo. Roberts 2, A. C. Limpus 3, A. Goddard 4, Jack Powell (first quarter-peal) 5, W. Sampson 6, Jack Parkinson (conductor) 7, Farrington Jones 8.

This evening I received my 'Ringing World,' and see a letter from Alexander Matthews on the difficulties of forming a young band in America. There are just a few points I feel bound to correct him on. He omits any mention of two ringing peals in Quebec City, one in Montreal, and one at Brandon, Manitoba, but apart from 'stone' in Quebec, I do not think these bells are rung now. The second point is we have been ringing here in Vancouver ever since the bells were hung in 1906, on practice night (Thursdays) at 7.30 p.m., and for Sunday evening service, 6.30. Our peal of Grandsire Triples, 'Holt's Original,' was rung on July 1st, 1911.

We have a goodly number of change ringers in and around Vancouver. I can count from memory 18 within call, but most of them go on duty about the time we ring, which leaves us with an average attendance of eight. The methods practised are Stedman, Bob Minor and Major, and Grandsire. We have also a fairly good band of hand-bell ringers.

I deeply regret to read of the accident on New Year's night in the belfry of St. Mary's, Twickenham. Though having rung but one quarter-peal there on a visit some ten years ago, I always regard it as my mother tower, knowing every inch from the ground floor to the roof, my father having been Vicar for many years. I hope Mr. Powell is progressing favourably.—Yours truly,

1237, 8th Avenue E., Vancouver.  
February 28th, 1922.

A. C. LIMPUS.

## DOUBLE SUPERLATIVE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The writer, when penning the footnote to the peal of Real Double Superlative, had in mind the possibility of other bands having tried bobs behind. We now learn from Mr. Dexter's letter that St. Martin's, Leicester, have been at it for two years.

One is awestruck at the account of the wonderful productions on the double plan in the possession of this gentleman, 9,000 with 'tenors together' must be a bit of a shock to those who thought they knew something of Superlative composition and proof. They will wonder how it is done.—Yours sincerely,

JOSEPH W. PARKER.  
Sunderland.

## GRANDSIRE TRIPLES COMPOSITION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Rev. E. B. James's remarks re his irregular 10-part are careless statements, uttered for his own advantage. If as he says, I published his irregular peal as my own and he saw the printed figures, then nothing is easier for him than to produce this printed evidence. I say he cannot produce it, for like the conversation I was supposed to have with Mr. W. T. Pegler, which never took place, it does not exist. Now the figures, if I am not much mistaken, that he did see, would be the 10-part now under discussion. Mr. James seemingly published this peal in 1903, knowing at the time that it had previously been rung and published by me.—Yours faithfully, G. LINDOFF.

## A TOUR IN SOUTH-EAST KENT.

## VISITING THE SIX-BELL TOWERS.

The Brabourne ringers, with three members of the Elham band, had an enjoyable Saturday afternoon trip by motor to a few six-bell towers on the fringe of Romney Marsh on Saturday week. Ringing began at Brabourne, with Grandsire Doubles, followed by Stedman, Kent Treble Bob and Bob Minor. The half-hour allotted soon slipped away, and then the party were whirled away on the road to Aldington. The first person to greet them on their arrival was the 'young' veteran, Charles Slingsby, who, at 85, had rung the treble to 720 Bob Minor the previous Sunday. The old gentleman unwillingly consented to take part in a short touch, because, as he said, 'You all have come to ring, and I to look on.' But that would not satisfy the party, and a well-struck course or two was rung with the veteran at the treble.

Aldington's fine tower stands like a sentinel overlooking the country round, including practically the whole of Romney Marsh, and the view on a clear day is magnificent. The bells may not be what is termed musical, but are nicely hung and easy going.

Sellinge, the next stopping-place, found the party attempting Stedman on a peal the opposite of musical, and the 'hang' and 'go' not at all pleasing. One of the party who had viewed the broad expanse from the top of Aldington tower, found the range of vision much too limited in the small confines of an attempted circle of ropes, to ring Stedman (perhaps the writer had better plead guilty at once).

Saltwood was the next place on the programme, and soon, under the capable hands of the driver (a nephew of J. H. Cheeseman, by the way), the party found themselves drawn up at the entrance of the tower. The bells were set going in the standard methods. The bells here are a pleasing and musical ring, and pealsmen and colts alike much enjoyed themselves. The willingness to oblige in any way, on the part of those members of the local band who were present, was much appreciated.

The next item was tea at the Castle Hotel, and then Cheriton was visited, to find the tower deserted, and in darkness. A search for the sexton revealed the fact that the party were nearly an hour late, and the members of the local band who had intended to welcome them had gone, thinking the programme had been altered. However, the energetic one of the party found the key, and soon this handy little ring were bobbing up and down in various methods. Whether the comfortable little room at the Castle Hotel was to blame for the late arrival had better not be discussed here, but the time was all too short on this nice going little peal, as Newington the last 'port' of call, had to be taken into account.

This is an ideal ring of nice tone and easy going, so that bad striking is inexcusable. The pity is the old pilot (J. Marsh) has passed away, and another has not yet taken his place. It can only be hoped that this visit may be the means of restarting interest. Ringing, like all other good things, comes to an end, and the party found itself on the road once more, this time for home. Some lucky ones were deposited at their very doors, two brothers kindly offered to walk their mile, and the Elhamites had four miles of pedal work.

The party consisted of the whole of the Brabourne band. The brothers, L. and S. Finn, E. and W. Cheeseman, C. Cheeseman, E. Vickers and P. H. Pierce, S. Hopkins (Elmsted), F. Verney, A. and F. Castle, of Elham, and the last named, though not yet 13, has several 120's to his credit.

The best thanks are due to all those responsible for lending the bells, and in other ways helping to make the little tour a success, and if any interest in change ringing has been stimulated the party will be more than satisfied.

A. C.

## NEW BAND'S ENTHUSIASM.

At Capenhurst, Cheshire on Tuesday, March 21st, 720 Bob Minor was rung by: J. Bagley 1, Robt. Maddock 2, Richard Maddock (conductor) 3, E. Elwell 4, J. Maddock 5, A. Bagley 6. This is the first 720 by all, and first 720 on the bells by a local company. The bells are a fine new peal by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., and the local men are taking up change ringing with great enterprise and energy.

## CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the above Association was held in the picturesque town of Keswick, in the centre of the Lake District on Saturday last. Between 20 and 30 ringers, including one lady, representing nine towers, attended. The meeting was held in Crosthwaite belfry, presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. Bradley).

Arrangements for the annual competition for the shield, given by the late Canon Rawnsley, were made, Aspatria being the place decided on, and Easter Monday the day. Arrangements were also made for a peal attempt, at Heusingham, on Saturday, May 7th to be rung in memory of the members of the Association who lost their lives in the great war. If successful, it is to be duly recorded by a tablet in the belfry.

A vote of condolence was passed with the relatives of the late Mrs. Hogarth. Her husband, the late Mr. Stephen Hogarth, was one of the pioneers of the Cumberland Association, and members of the family are still ringers at Crosthwaite.

Touches of Kent Treble Bob Major and Bob Minor were rung on the bells, which are a treat to ring. Tea was held at Wilson's Cafe, Main Street, Mr. Wilson himself being a ringer.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar for presiding and for the use of the bells, brought a very successful meeting to a close.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## GLOUCESTER BRANCH'S DISAPPOINTING MEETING.

The quarterly meeting of the Gloucester Branch was held at St. Mary de Lode, Gloucester, on Saturday last. This tower had been selected at a previous meeting, after considerable discussion, because it was considered to be most central, and it was thought that a record attendance would, therefore, be assured. But in bell ringing, as in all other pursuits, hopes and expectations do not always materialise; the most carefully arranged plans do not always guarantee success; and such was the experience of the Gloucester Branch on this occasion, for there was anything but a record attendance. Trouble had been taken to secure one of the Residentiary Canons of Gloucester Cathedral to come and address the company, and a very excellent address was attentively listened to by only twelve men. However, a few more were present at tea, and by the time the meeting commenced the roll-call was 18.

The chairman of the branch (Mr. Walter B. Wood) occupied the chair and put the meeting into a good-humour at once, by announcing that he wished all present to consider themselves his guests, and allow him to pay for the tea. This request was very readily acceded to, and greeted with applause.

The Hon. Secretary (Captain A. A. Bennett) presented his report for the quarter, which was considered highly satisfactory, and was unanimously adopted.

Mention was made of a request from a young band at Longney for instruction in change ringing, with an intimation that they were prepared to become probationer members of the branch. After some discussion it was unanimously agreed that Mr. T. Baldwin be appointed instructor, and that the next meeting be held there, so that the whole matter could be talked over on the spot.

## WHO WILL HELP?

We hear from Australia that the widow of the late Mr. Matthew Ellsmore, formerly of Portsmouth, who early last year left England for Sydney, and died there soon after his arrival, is in very straitened circumstances. Mrs. Ellsmore, who is 71 years of age, and past work, is now dependent upon a widowed daughter, whose husband fell in the war.

The many ringing friends of the late Mr. Ellsmore, and there are a considerable number who owe their early tuition in the art, to his efforts, will, we feel sure, be glad to extend a helping hand to his widow, left without means under such sad circumstances.

Contributions sent to 'The Ringing World' will be acknowledged in these columns, and forwarded to Mrs. Ellsmore.

We would also remind our readers of the appeal which has been made by the Middlesex Association on behalf of the widow of the late Mr. Harry Flanders. Contributions to this fund should be sent to Mr. Alfred Pye, 126, Pembroke Road, Seven Kings or Mr. C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, E.17.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I wish to acknowledge the following sums given to the fund opened on behalf of the widow of the late Mr. Harry Flanders, and to thank all concerned for their kind help. I shall be glad to receive any further sums, which will be duly acknowledged through this paper. I may add that this is a case for timely help, as the long illness of Mr. Flanders left his widow in straitened circumstances, and in very delicate health. Amounts already received are as follows: Collected at meeting at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, March 11th, £2; Messrs. R. Sanders, 2s. 6d.; A. W. Coles, 2s. 6d.; W. H. Freeman, 5s.; H. T. Scarlett, 2s. 6d.; W. B. Manning, 2s. 6d.; F. Wilford, 2s. 6d.; A. Edwards, 2s. 6d.; R. K. Knight, 2s. 6d.—Yours truly,

C. T. COLES.

49, Wood Street, E.17.

**FIRST PEAL OF MINOR AT ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.**

The peal of Minor rung at Ashton-under-Lyne is the first ever rung in the town. The conductor and the ringer of the 3rd are two typical Yorkshire men, and it is over 17 years since Mr. Heckingbottom called his last peal. The ringers of the treble and 2nd are two of Cheshire's keenest campanologists, and the ringers of the 4th and 5th are two modest men of the county palatine (Lancashire).

After the peal was over the band adjourned to receive the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Wolstencroft, who with the wives and sweethearts of the ringers, had a most enjoyable evening together, the esteemed hon. secretary of the Chester Guild (the Rev. A. T. Beeston) being also of the company. He complimented the ringers on their well-struck peal.

During the evening, Mr. George Hill, of Hoylandswaine, was the recipient of a beautiful fountain pen as a token of appreciation for his kindness in entering peals rung at St. Peter's Church in their unique and beautiful peal book. Mr. W. Wolstencroft made the presentation, and Mr. Hill made a suitable reply.

**OLD ALDERMASTON RINGER'S DEATH.**

We regret to record the death of Mr. William Frankum which took place at Aldermaston on February 21st, at the age of 78 years.

Mr. William Frankum was an old resident of the parish, and for over 40 years a ringer at the Parish Church. Some part of the time he was foreman of the band, and he rang the treble through four or five peals, of Grandsire Triples. He was also sidesman. He had to give up ringing a few years ago through an accident which made it difficult for him to get his hand up to his head. In recognition of his long service he was presented with an illuminated address, with the names of subscribers, and a purse of money. The deceased was liked by everyone in the parish, and a number of residents attended the funeral, which took place on Saturday, February 25th. There was a large number of wreaths from relatives and friends.

Mr. Frankum had a large family, and six of the sons took to ringing. Five of them were present at the funeral, and with Messrs. Green, Clark and S. Collins, who belonged to the band before the war, went to the tower after the interment and rang the bells muffled to 350 Grandsire Triples: W. Clark 1, S. Collins 2, H. Frankum 3, R. Frankum (conductor) 4, E. Frankum 5, A. Frankum 6, A. J. Frankum 7, F. Green 8.

A muffled peal, in which five sons took part, was rung on March 11th.

**MR. E. H. LEWIS' 150th PEAL.**

The peal of Stedman Cinques at Newcastle Cathedral on Feb. 28th was Mr. E. H. Lewis' 150th peal, and the list is interesting from the variety of methods it comprises.

	Tower Bells.	Handbells.
Bob Minor .....	2 (cond. 1)	
Bob Major .....	13 (cond. 5)	9
Bob Royal .....	2 (cond. 1)	2
Bob Maximus .....		1
Double Bob Major .....	1 (cond. 1)	
Little Bob Major .....	1 (cond. 1)	
Little Bob Royal .....	1	1
Plain and Little Bob Royal .....		1
Grandsire Triples .....	11 (cond. 3)	1
Grandsire Caters .....	2	1
Oxford Bob Triples .....	3 (cond. 1)	
Oxford Bob Major .....	1 (cond. 1)	
Double Oxford Bob Triples .....	2 (cond. 1)	
Double Oxford Bob Major .....	1	
St. Clement's Bob Triples .....	1 (cond. 1)	
St. Clement's Bob Major .....	1	
Union Triples .....	1 (cond. 1)	
Double Norwich Court Bob .....	13	1
Kent Treble Bob Major .....	9 (cond. 1)	3
Kent Treble Bob Royal .....	1 (cond. 1)	2
Oxford Treble Bob Major .....	2	
Albion Treble Bob Major .....	1 (cond. 1)	
Little Albion Treble Bob Major .....	2 (cond. 1)	
Superlative Surprise Major .....	8 (cond. 2)	
Cambridge Surprise Major .....	2	
Stedman Triples .....	25	1
Stedman Caters .....	2	2
Stedman Cinques .....	2	
Forward Major .....	1	
Duffield Major .....	1	
Two Minor methods .....	1 (cond. 1)	
Three Minor methods .....	2 (cond. 1)	
Seven Minor methods .....	9 (cond. 3)	
Ten Minor methods (7,200) .....	1 (cond. 1)	
	125 (cond. 29)	25

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

THE

**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(13th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., who have in hand the augmentation of the peal at St. Paul's Church, Burton-on-Trent, have promised to have the bells ready for the annual meeting of the Midland Counties' Association on Easter Monday, so that the members will have the added interest and attraction of a new peal of ten.

A peal of Minor has just been rung at St. Mellons, Monmouthshire, on a new ring of six put in in 1914. Probably this ring is unique among modern church bells, inasmuch as there has never been a dedication of the peal, owing to a difference of opinion between the Vicar and the architect in regard to the tower. The Vicar was anxious to have a ring of bells, but the architect considered the tower not good enough. The Vicar, however, carried out his wish. The bells were put in, and have been rung regularly ever since, but the dedication was allowed to slide. The tower had been thoroughly repaired and cement pointed, and, from the ordinary ringer's observation, appears very much stronger than many towers carrying eight and ten bells.

As further evidence of the youthful energy which Mr. James George puts into his ringing, we have the record to-day of his first peal of London Surprise Major away from the treble. Few men ring their first peal in this method when past 68.

Whatever else may be said about his performances, one cannot but admire the perseverance and talent of Mr. Arthur T. Morris, of Harwich, who, having tapped a second peal of London Surprise, has now added Superlative and Double Norwich to the list. We believe Mr. Morris would welcome any independent witness who cares to make arrangements to referee one of his performances.

April 1st is the anniversary of one of the earliest 'long' peals. In the year 1727, 10,080 Oxford Treble Bob Major was rung at St. Michael Coslany, Norwich, and the record, still in existence, is worth recalling.

A remarkable peal was rung by the eight persons as under, called the quarter-peal of Oxford Treble Bob, all eight in, or the Union Bob, consisting of 10,080 changes, which they rung in 6 hrs. 28 mins. on the 1st day of April Anno, 1727. There was no change alike or bell out of course. Performed by Richard Barnham 1, Thomas Melchior 2, John Harvey 3, John Webster 4, Thomas Gardiner 5, Thomas Barret 6, Edward Crane 7, Robert Crane tenor.

No record of the composition exists and, in view of the very slight knowledge existing at that time on the subject of the composition of Treble Bob, it can by no means be certain that 'there was no change alike' in this early peal. But whatever doubts there may be about the truth of the composition, the performance stands out as one of the best of early peals.

In 1777, on April 1st, a round 6,000 of Treble Twelve was rung by the College Youths at St. Saviour's, Southwark in 4 hrs. 58 mins. There were two men on the tenor. This record stood for barely a year, for on March 16, 1778, a longer peal was rung at Norwich by Cumberland Youths.

The 3rd April is the anniversary of the 15,072 Double Norwich at Erith rung in 1899, in 9 hrs. 24 mins., for the Kent Association. This superseded the 13,440 rung at Romford in 1894, by the Cumberlands, but was exceeded in length by the much-discussed 17,024 rung at Kidlington only seven weeks later by the Oxford Guild.

On April 6th, 1916, Henry Dains died, aged 78, and on April 7th, 1896, George Newson passed away. These were two of the greatest among the Cumberlands of the past generation, and both took part in the peal at Romford mentioned above. One was the composer and the other the conductor.

The peal of Doubles on March 4th for the Salisbury Guild, was rung at Zeals, Wilts, and not Neals, as printed in the report.

## LONG SERVICE.

HEPTONSTALL'S RECORD.

To the Editor.

Sir,—In your valuable paper of Mar. 17, I noticed that Nor-a Anston have beaten Marhull for the record for long service ringing. I think we at Heptonstall can beat that. There are eight ringers, with an average of 40 years, the longest having 48 years' service. Of the others there are three with 46 years, one with 42, one with 36, one with 32, and one with 22.

We have not gone in for ringing 5,000's, but have gone in for contest ringing, having won the Halifax and District Association's silver cup three times, from 1907–1911. Our oldest ringer, Mr. Joseph Nowell in his 78th year, is still active, and ringing for services. The youngest ringer out of the above band is 48 years old. Is there any tower which can beat this?—Yours faithfully, F. ROBERTSHAW.

BURSLEM, STAFFS.—On Saturday, February 25th, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal of Treble Bob, a quarter-peal of Treble Bob, viz., 720 Violet and 720 Kent was rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to the conductor: A. Lees 1, T. Hurd 2, L. Pennington 3, W. P. Deane (conductor) 4, T. Hilditch 5, W. Bourne 6.

## THE LATE MR. A. T. KING.

### A LOSS TO THE EXERCISE.

We deeply regret to announce the death of Mr. Arthur T. King, I.S.O., President of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, and an honorary member of the Central Council, who died suddenly on his way to church on Sunday, at the age of 76 years. Mr. King resided at the 'Summit,' Stevenage, Herts.

Born in the Cathedral Close, Salisbury, on Sept. 30th, 1845, the late Mr. King was a son of the Rev. Charles King, Vicar of Stratford-sub-Castle, and Canon of Salisbury. He was educated at Winchester, and in 1864 joined the Civil Service, entering the National Debt Office, where he rose to an important position. In 1903 he was made a Companion of the Imperial Service Order, and retired in 1910.

By his death, the Exercise has lost an invaluable member, and the Middlesex Association, for whose success in its early days Mr. King was so largely responsible, an active and enthusiastic president, who,



THE LATE MR. ARTHUR T. KING.

despite his years, was never happier than when he was among the members. Mr. King was always fond of handling a bell, and had some experience when, as a boy, in the early sixties, he used to spend some of his holidays with his uncle, the Rev. Canon King, who for many years was Vicar of Worstead, Norfolk. While at Winchester, Mr. King used sometimes to ring the curfew, but he took no active part in ringing as a science until about the year 1893, when the old peal at Barnet were recast, and he became a member of the local society. He had, however, come into touch with the old Middlesex Association in 1869, soon after it had been formed out of the remains of the North Middlesex Association and, having shown a practical interest in its affairs, he was pressed into service as hon. secretary in 1895.

The first thing he did on assuming office was to open negotiations with the South Middlesex Association, with a view to uniting forces, and in 1897 had the satisfaction of seeing one strong association formed under the name of 'the Middlesex County Association,' to which in 1903, was added with the express approval of the Bishop of London, the further title of 'London Diocesan Guild.' When the fusion took place, Mr. King was appointed joint secretary, with Mr. C. Edwards, of Hounslow, the first President being the Rev. H. G. Bird. The Association grew by leaps and bounds, largely owing to the organising ability displayed by Mr. King, who in 1901, on the resignation of Mr. Edwards, took over the entire secretarial duties, besides those of hon. secretary of the North and East District. Throughout the many years Mr. King occupied the office, he never spared any effort to promote the interests of the Association, and when, in 1910, on removing from London, he retired from the secre-

taryship, he was made a vice-president of the Association, and presented with a magnificent timepiece, striking the Westminster chimes, in grateful recognition of all he had done for the society.

He was not long out of harness, however, for, on the resignation of the Rev. H. G. Bird, there could be but one choice of President, and Mr. King was elected to the vacancy. Although residing at a distance from London, Mr. King took the keenest interest in all the doings of the Association, and was frequently present at the meetings. Despite advancing years and sometimes indifferent health, he kept in personal touch with his Association, and with ringing matters generally, although he had to give up practical ringing some few years ago on account of heart weakness.

In addition to serving his Association with devotion and singleness of purpose—to promote the interests of ringing, and to secure greater recognition of ringers as officers of the church, of which he was a loyal son—Mr. King rendered enormous service to the Exercise as a whole, and the Central Council in particular. As a member for many years of the Analysis Committee of the Council the one committee whose labours are ceaseless—Mr. King shouldered a considerable part of the detailed work required in compiling the statistics which are annually published. With methodical labour and meticulous care he devoted a great deal of his leisure to this task, and only his colleagues on this committee know what this work has been. At the last meeting of the Council his services were recognised by his unanimous election as an honorary member. Mr. King having previously been a member of this body as a representative of the Middlesex Association.

Mr. King's peal ringing activities were confined to ringing the tenor and treble, and it has always been surprising that he never ventured beyond this stage in the practical side of the art. He used to say it may have been 'partly laziness and partly specific density,' which prevented him going further; but to no one, we think, could these failings be attributed with less truth than to Mr. King. In all he rang about 150 peals, including Bob Triples, Grandsire Triples, Bob Major, Double Norwich Major, Stedman Triples and Stedman Caters. These peals he rang in 53 towers, and principally for the Middlesex Association. He was also a member of the Chester, Norwich, Salisbury and Winchester Diocesan Guilds, and the Essex, Hertford, Kent, Surrey, Sussex and Yorkshire Associations.

It is interesting to recall that in his youth, Mr. King was a great athlete, and among other things won the vaulting in the Civil Service sports in 1867, with a record height for these sports of seven feet. At Richmond about the same time he won the prize for throwing the hammer, beating a man who afterwards became amateur champion. He also won the chief swimming event at Winchester in 1862, and his prowess in the water more than once enabled him to save life. Indeed at the age of 65, he was able to save a girl from drowning in the River Nadder.

## GREAT ST. MARY'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

### To the Editor.

Sir,—I believe this is the University Church of Cambridge, and as many ringers may know, possesses a noble ring of twelve (with a tenor of about 29 cwt.) all rebung, and the trebles recast by Taylor a few years ago.

It may, however, be a surprise to some to learn that this fine ring has been allowed to hang for the past two years or more with the seventh bell cracked and useless.

The only other rings in Cambridge are the eight at the R.C. Church, a magnificent ring by Taylor (tenor 32 cwt.), the eight at St. Andrew's, a very poor lot of 'pots,' and the six at St. Benedict's (Stedman's tower), where, I believe, one 720 would be as much as any ringer would want, if it could be obtained.

I happened to be in Cambridge last Easter and heard St. Mary's bells being rung, the 6th and 7th being omitted, and very curious they sounded in rounds, the top five being answered by the bottom five, just an octave below. Now, Sir, surely something is wrong for this state of affairs to exist at a church of such importance, and I think it is up to the Ely Diocesan Association, who will hold their annual meeting there next Easter Monday, to endeavour to find out the cause.

'Lack of funds' is often a valid excuse in cases of this kind, but I cannot believe this to be the reason, if the University have any control or interest in these bells, and I am, therefore, forced to put it down to that bugbear, 'Apathy.' I hope I may be wrong in my surmise, and perhaps someone more intimate with ringing matters in Cambridge will enlighten me through the medium of your valuable columns.—Yours faithfully,

'PLAIN BOB.'

## MR. T. H. PARKIN'S RETIREMENT.

At St. John's Church, Scunthorpe, on March 19th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung by S. Austin 1. A. Garbett 2. C. H. Bird 3. T. H. Parkin 4. T. Strickland 5. G. Dixon 6. R. Oliver (conductor) 7. C. Pye 8. This was a compliment to Mr. T. H. Parkin on his 65th birthday, and his retirement from scholastic duties, after 52 years' service as a day school teacher.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

GARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.****MANCHESTER BRANCH.**

The monthly meeting was held at St. Philip's, Chester Street, on Saturday, March 18th. At the business meeting, held in the Institute, 30 members were present. The Rev. A. H. Barthram occupied the chair, and gave a hearty welcome to the visiting ringers. He hoped to see them again some time, when, no doubt, he and the local men would be able to provide them with a tea, as in the days of old.

The secretary was instructed to see if a meeting could be held at St. John's, Deansgate, failing this, Pendlebury, on Saturday, April 22nd.

The standard methods were rung during the afternoon and evening. Some of the younger ringers had a good lesson in change ringing, and the new ropes were appreciated, but some of the bells need a visit from the bell hanger.

Votes of thanks to the Rector and the local ringers closed the business.

The monthly meeting of the Rochdale Branch took place on Saturday, March 18th, at East Crompton, when members were present from East Crompton, Middleton, Milnrow, Oldham, Moorside, Mamer, Todmorden Parish, Cross Stone, and Balderstone. Touches of Kent, Oxford and Woodbine Treble Bob, Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles were rung. Mr. H. Davenport presided over the usual business meeting, at which it was decided that the next meeting, on April 8th, should be held at Shore.

The following were declared elected as performing members of the Association: James Harrop (Milnrow), Miss May Westhead and Miss H. Bell (Cross Stones); also Mr. William Horan (of Cross Stones).

The proceedings terminated with cordial resolutions of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the tower and bells, and to the local ringers for having everything in readiness.

**BARNSELEY & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**

The monthly meeting of the above was held at South Kirby on Saturday, March 11th. The bells, a handy ring of six, with tenor 13 cwt., old yet beautiful, in spite of modern methods in casting tuning; rung 24 years ago by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, the 'go' is still splendid. Lest some visitors should think that the practice of change ringing is new to this tower, they must be warned otherwise, for the time was when the local band could give out the best, and there were keen critics in evidence able to judge the past and present ringing.

Tea was provided at the hotel close by the church, and the business meeting followed. The President (Mr. Wm. Reynier) was in the chair, supported by the Vicar (the Rev. J. W. Greenstreet). The Chairman thanked the Vicar for his kind interest in ringers as a whole, and hoped his special interest in his own company would be long continued. The Vicar, replying, said his pride in his own ringers was very sincere, for their enthusiasm in their duties was beyond measure, and if by some means of brotherhood his ringers could attain higher rank, such aims would receive his help and approval.

The Vicar was elected an hon. member of the Association and the following members of the local company were elected ringing members: Messrs. J. Hill, George Breeden, G. Haldenby, C. Balus, T. Dumbriek, T. Bardsley, A. Edwards, A. Pender, J. Tait, T. Clayton, C. Smith.

The following towers were represented: Darfield, Arksey, Barnsley, Badsworth, Crofton, Royston, Felkirk, Sandal, Pontefract, Wragby and Wortley. Votes of thanks were passed separately to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, the local company for their splendid co-operation, and to the host and hostess for the comfort and cheerful welcome given.

Penistone is proposed for the next meeting on April 8th.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**

A meeting of the Exeter and District Branch was held at Thorverton on Saturday, February 25th. Proceedings opened with a service at the Parish Church, kindly taken by the Rev. J. H. Shaw (Vicar), who gave a very instructive address. Tea and meeting was subsequently held in the Schoolroom, amongst those present being Mr. E. Sheppard, chairman of the branch; Mr. J. C. Oke, assistant secretary; Rev. J. H. Shaw, Rev. F. Knight, and 38 members representing most of the bands in union. Letters expressing inability to attend were read from Rev. Canon McLaren, Exeter, and Mr. N. J. Southwood, secretary and treasurer.

The branch shows every sign of making progress, two bands having signified their intention of joining the branch, while four new members were elected.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Honiton Clist, on Saturday, September 16th.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar of Thorverton, the organist, the ladies for presiding at tea, and the chairman, brought a very successful meeting to a close.

The bells (a very nice eight) were kept going during the afternoon and evening, and some good touches of Grandsire and Stedman brought round.

**BRISTOL ROYAL.****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—Some time ago, during the controversy on the subject of extension of London Surprise, Mr. Armiger Trollope affirmed that he could produce the extension of any method from the Major in 30 minutes. Your readers will remember that I issued a challenge to Mr. Trollope to produce Superlative and Bristol Royal. That challenge has not been accepted. But as far as Bristol goes, there is now no occasion for Mr. Trollope to trouble (?) since Mr. Craven has now given us an extension of Bristol, which has been discovered independently by no less than four of our experts. First by Mr. Trollope, secondly by Mr. F. Dench, thirdly by Mr. George Baker, and, lastly, by Mr. Craven. I admit that, in face of this fact, the extension appears, at first sight, to be the correct one. In fact, it looks as though my friend, Mr. George Baker, is right when he says there is no other extension. But is there none other? Is this in fact, the correct extension? Why, it has not 'associated' leads even! According to our conventions, all correct extensions should have such—i.e., the first treble lead of Bristol Royal should be 1243658709

And this is actually possible!

In other words, next week, with your permission, I will give my reasons for the fact that Bristol Royal has not yet been published; and will indicate how the true extension may be obtained.—Yours very truly,  
A. YORK BRAMBLE.

1426385079

**BEACONSFIELD BELLS RESTORED.****A 'TRIAL TRIP.'**

Ringling echoes joyfully aroused the evening drowsiness of the old town of Beaconsfield, Bucks, on Thursday week, when the octave of bells at St. Mary's Church tower was 'tested' by the Beaconsfield band, after complete overhauling by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank of Whitechapel. Poet sang never so sweetly as the 'Waller Bell,' nor statesman poured forth his eloquence with such pathos as the 'Burke Bell'—on St. Patrick's Eve, too—when in company with their old-time neighbours in the belfry they gave vent to their iron tongues in musical cadence after a long and regrettable ringing silence.

Methods known as Grand-are, Treble Bob and Stedman, were scored in short touches between 8 and 9 p.m., conducted by Mr. R. Buckland, the foreman of the tower, in which the following took part: Messrs. R. and F. Buckland, J. and L. Batting, B. Young, J. Blackmore, W. Fletcher, W. Turner, R. Wingrove, T. Eales, A. S. Bagley (late churchwarden), and Mr. J. Evans, of Hughenden, and Mr. W. H. Fussell, of Slough.

For the work done—mostly new fittings throughout, costing upwards of £150—all praise was given to the 'old firm,' established 1570, who erected the eight bells 40 years ago; and to their two hands responsible for its execution, Messrs. E. H. King and H. Hutchins, the latter going to Durham Cathedral for his next task.

The fund for this purpose was raised locally by bazaar, concert and donations, the leading figure in the restoration (delayed by the war) being Mr. C. A. Bennett, churchwarden, late of St. Albans, who, like his predecessor, is a practical ringer.

The old oak framework is just as sound as when it was first put up: it will do again for another half-century, and is quite equal to one of those of modern cast-iron design. The bells themselves were untouched and untuned to the modern craze for 'harmonics.' They will, perhaps, prove in years to come the wastefulness of destroying ancient and valuable bells in order to gratify a temporary fashion. One simple little device was introduced, which, while adding life to the vibrations, destroys much of the burr and rattle of the clapper on striking the mouth of the bell. A circular rubber buffer let into the ball of the clapper raises it from the sound bow after the blow is made, thus improving the quality and duration of the note produced.

W. H. F.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting of the Bedford District was held at Kempston on Saturday, March 18th. Ringing commenced about 3 o'clock, with Kent Treble Bob Minor. Miss A. M. Durrant of Ilitchin, taking part. A short service, with address by the Vicar (the Rev. G. H. C. Shorting), was held in the church, and tea in the school followed. The Vicar presided at the business meeting, at which members were present from Bedford, Woburn, Stagsden, Bromham, Desborough, Sandy, Roxtan, Elstow, Biddenham, Turvey, and the local company. Four new members were elected. — Willington was chosen for the next meeting.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for his address, and for presiding, was passed. The Vicar is to be congratulated on urging his ringers to take up method ringing, as heretofore call changes prevailed in the tower. The Vicar has chosen Mr. P. Taskin to take the ringers in hand, and they are getting on well with Bob Minor.

Methods practised at the meeting ranged from Bob Minor to Cambridge Surprise.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.**—On Sunday morning, March 26th, for confirmation service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes), in 47 mins.: F. Watkinson (conductor) 1, J. Taylor (age 13) 2, Miss E. Hopkin 3, F. Cardwell 4, H. Wilson 5, W. Godden 6, P. Downing 7, W. H. Taylor 8. First quarter-peal by ringers of 2nd and 7th, and first attempt.—After service, 352 Bob Major: F. Watkinson 1, J. Taylor 2, Miss Eva Hopkin 3, F. Cardwell 4, W. H. Taylor 5, H. Wilson 6, P. Downing 7, J. Garth 8.

**LYMINGTON, HANTS.**—On Sunday evening, March 26th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: E. Kerley 1, E. C. Elliott (conductor) 2, C. Morris 3, C. Tyler 4, G. Arnold 5, S. Clarke 6, J. E. Figgures 7, J. W. Wells 8.

**WICKHAM, HANTS.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Sunday, March 26th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: W. Churcher 1, G. Pullinger 2, H. Merrett 3, N. Welch 4, H. Smith (conductor) 5, E. Carpenter 6.

**WITHAM, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, March 26th, for morning service, 360 Oxford Treble Bob, 360 Double Court, 360 Woodbine Treble Bob.—For evening service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob, the following taking part: W. Butler, E. Bright (conductor), A. Chalk, H. Dorking, A. Evers, V. Glass, W. Mellin. Rung with the bells muffled, as a last token of respect to the late Bishop of Colchester.

**BEVERLEY.**—At the Minster, on Sunday, March 12th, for morning service, 305 Grandsire Caters: R. Owen 1, A. Botham 2, H. Ringrose 3, J. Braithwaite 4, F. Osgerley 5, C. G. Constable 6, A. E. Sellers 7, J. E. Constable 8, W. Middleton 9, G. M. Daggitt 10.—For evening service, 539 Grandsire Caters: R. Owen 1, A. Botham 2, W. Gibson 3, J. Braithwaite 4, F. Osgerley 5, C. G. Constable 6, A. E. Sellers 7, J. E. Constable 8, W. Middleton 9, G. M. Daggitt 10.

**FREISTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.**—Lincoln Diocesan Guild (Eastern Branch).—On Sunday, March 5th, for evening service, 360 of Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 13 mins., by: H. Pearson 1, J. Phillips 2, A. Burchall 3, W. Bradley 4, Alex. Sharp 5, J. Sharp (conductor) 6. This is the first 360 of Treble Bob for the ringer of the treble, and the first 360 by an entirely local band.

**WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, March 5th, for morning service, 432 Oxford Treble Bob.—For evening service, 720 Worcester Treble Bob: Ernest Bailey 1, Albert J. Naunton 2, Edgar Bailey 3, Albert J. L. Naunton 4, G. Lee 5, F. W. Naunton (conductor) 6. The ringer of the 2nd is in his 78th year. It was his first 720 of Worcester, and first attempt.

**EARL SHILTON.**—For evening service, on March 5th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 42 mins.: P. Reynolds 1, C. H. Wright 2, A. Waters 3, F. Wilson 4, C. H. Webb 5, S. Coe 6, J. W. Reynolds (conductor) 7, J. Thompson 8. Longest length on the bells by entirely local band since the recasting.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Stephen's, West Ealing, no Sunday, March 5th, for morning service, and as a birthday compliment to the wife of the ringer of the 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: H. Folkard 1, W. H. Hollier 2, C. Edwards 3, H. Belcher 4, P. E. Clark 5, A. Harding 6, E. J. Walsom (conductor) 7, E. Harris 8.

**BATH.**—At St. Saviour's Church, on March 5th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): W. Cunnings (first quarter of Grandsire Triples) 1, J. Taylor 2, J. W. Bell 3, H. Taylor 4, G. Jones 5, H. E. Mills 6, C. W. Bell (conductor) 7, H. Merrett 8. Rung to welcome home the Rector, after his long illness.

**HITCHIN, HERTS.**—On Sunday, March 5th, for matins, 240 Stedman Triples. Also 416 Double Norwich Major.—For evensong, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich (1,280 changes), in 52 mins.: H. Else 1, E. W. Day 2, E. J. Newell 3, W. J. Croft 4, G. Wolfe 5, J. Hare (conductor) 6, H. E. Day 7, G. T. Croft 8.

**SOUTHGATE.**—On Sunday, March 5th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes), in 50 mins.: D. Pink 1, G. Bester 2, A. G. Crane 3, J. Armstrong 4, W. Pickworth 5, J. E. Miller 6, N. A. Tomlinson 7, H. Miller 8, G. W. Fletcher 9, P. Bigg 10. Arranged and conducted by J. Armstrong. First quarter-peal with a bob bell by 3rd ringer.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on Sunday, March 5th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. W. Pannett 1, E. J. Pannett 2, H. J. Norgate 3, R. A. Fosdike 4, A. Bradley 5, J. Crowder 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, A. F. Bennington 8.

**CRANLEIGH, SURREY.**—On Sunday, March 5th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): Leslie Warner (first quarter-peal) 1, Mrs. R. Whittington 2, Alwyn Charman 3, Alfred Bull 4, Horace Charman 5, Robert Whittington 6, William Charman (conductor) 7, Ernest Warner 8.

**EARL SHILTON.**—At the Parish Church, for evening service, on Sunday, March 5th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins.: P. Reynolds 1, H. Wright 2, A. Waters 3, F. Wilson 4, H. Webb 5, S. Coe 6, W. Reynolds (conductor) 7, J. Thompson, senr., 8. First quarter-peal for ringer of 3rd. First quarter-peal for ringer of 6th with a bob bell. First quarter-peal for tenor man for 25 years. First quarter-peal on the bells by the local band, who are all Sunday ringers.

**NORTH STONEHAM.**—On Sunday, March 5th, for morning service, 448 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: E. Munday 1, W. G. Edwards 2, G. Pullinger 3, W. G. Rowe 4, O. H. Giles 5, C. J. Fray 6, W. T. Tucker 7, G. Williams 8.

**HIGHGATE.**—Royal Cumberland Youths.—At St. Anne's Church, for evening service, on March 5th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Miss K. Smith 1, C. J. Matthews 2, T. Bevan (first quarter-peal inside) 3, E. Bonfield 4, E. F. Cole 5, E. Pryor 6, R. Bevan (conductor) 7, G. Pryor 8.

**BOCKING.**—On Sunday, March 5th, for the C.E.M.S. service, at the Parish Church, 657 Grandsire Triples: C. H. Howard (conductor) 1, H. J. Collins 2, Geo. Wiffen 3, G. W. Melbourne 4, H. E. Hammond 5, F. Ely 6, W. H. Hammond 7, L. W. Grow 8.

## USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

720 BOB MINOR.

234567  
S 572634 1  
345267 2  
673524 2  
456273 1  
674532 3  
256374 1  
S 532467 5  
S 475632 1  
324567 2

23456  
56423 3  
62345 2  
62453 1  
46253 5  
46532 1  
63254 2  
42635 4  
42356 1  
34256 5  
45623 2  
23645 5  
S. 32456 1

252 by S for last B.

A. T. SCRIVENS.

Repeated.  
H. W. WILDE.

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

## AUGMENTATION OF ARMLEY BELLS.

On Saturday last, the above society held its usual monthly meeting at Christ Church, Upper Armley. The meeting was of more than ordinary interest, as the newly-added bells to complete the octave were dedicated by the Bishop of Knaresborough, at 3 p.m. The service was fully choral, special music being rendered by the organist (Dr. Wm. Bradley, F.R.C.O.) and the choir, including the Bell Anthem (Purcell) and Te Deum in B flat (Stanford).

The clock, which has been thoroughly overhauled by Messrs. Potts, of Leeds, was started by the Bishop during the service.

Ringers were present from Bramley, Leeds Parish Church, St. Francis, Holbeck; Wortley, Sheffield, Denton (Lancs), Pontefract, Wragby, Tong; St. Chad's and St. Michael's, Headingley; Burley, Guiseley, Earlsheaton, Calverley, Pudsey, Gargrave, Selby, and the local company.

Superlative, Double Norwich, Stedman, Grandsire and Kent Treble Bob methods were rung on the bells during the afternoon, and all spoke highly of the work carried out by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough.

The members were pleased to see Mr. Arthur Craven amongst them (at his birthplace), also Mr. J. Whitaker, of Burley who is in his 80th year, and is the only surviving member of the band who opened the peal of six bells fifty years ago.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Leeds Parish Church on Saturday, April 29th, when the election of officers will take place.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## BERKHAMPTSTEAD BELLS.

The quarterly meeting of the Western District of the above was held at Berkhamstead on Saturday, March 11th. The bells, which much need the attention of a bell founder (the 6th being badly cracked) were set going about 3 o'clock. Ringers and friends, to the number of 22, attended from King's Langley, Croydon, Linslade, Hemel Hempstead, Isle of Wight, Tring, Watford, Harpenden and the local tower. Tea was served at the Temperance Hotel the Rector (the Rev. W. C. Stainsby) and churchwarden being present.

The Rector, who presided at the business meeting, gave the ringers a hearty welcome to Berkhamstead, and said he was sorry the bells were not a good peal. He hoped, however, when the association paid them another visit the bells would have been put right.

Four ringing members and two hon. members were elected.

After a vote of thanks to the Rector for presiding and for the use of the bells had been passed, the ringers attended evensong at the Parish Church, at which the Rector officiated.

The tower was then again visited, and a few more touches rung. Afterwards the visitors proceeded to Northchurch, where there is a nice peal of six.

The methods rung during the afternoon and evening were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Doubles.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 8d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, second Monday, and St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, April 1st. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Will arrange tea for 5.30. St. Paul's, Hounslow, tower will be open from 7 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.2.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—The Annual meeting of the Western Division will be held at Angmering on Saturday, April 1st. Ringing to commence at 3 o'clock. Tea at the Schoolroom at 5. Local Secretaries please note—subscriptions are now overdue.—A. W. Groves, Sugden Road, Worthing.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Offley on Saturday, April 1st. Bells available after 3 p.m. Tea arranged for. Ringers welcome.—F. R. Bacon, 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Potton on Saturday, April 1st. Bells ready at 3. Tea at 5. A good attendance is requested.—C. J. Ball, Dist. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—A monthly meeting of this branch will be held at Sapcote on Saturday, April 1st. Bells (6) will be available from 3.30 p.m.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

ST. EDWARD'S, ROMFORD.—The bells at this church having been overhauled and rehung in a new steel frame, will be rededicated by the Bishop of Barking on Saturday, April 1st. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea to follow in Wykeham Hall at 1/6 each, after which the tower will be open for visitors and friends. All will be welcome.—H. Dawkins, 61, North Street, Romford.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', Lower Edmonton, on Saturday, April 1st. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Tea, at 5.30 p.m., will be provided for all those who notify me not later than March 29th. Business meeting to follow.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7d, Morgan Mansions, Holloway, N.7.

ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A District meeting of the members of the association in the Archdeaconry of Sudbury will be held in the Church Room, Lavenham, at 3 o'clock on Saturday, April 1st. Tower bells and handbells available from 2 p.m. onwards.—Rev. R. L. Gardner, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The meeting at St. George's, Bolton, has been postponed until April 1st. Bells available at 4 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Annual meeting to be held at Helmsley on Saturday, April 1st. Bells of the Parish Church (8) will be available from 12 o'clock to 7 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m. at the Café, 1/6 each. Business meeting in the Class Room, Canon's Garth, immediately after tea.—A. L. Henderson, Hon. Dist. Sec., Mayfield, Pickering.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Parbold on Saturday, April 1st. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. A good attendance requested.—J. Halsall.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—On and after April 1st all communications to the Rochester District Secretary, of the Kent Association, should be addressed: Fred. M. Mitchell, 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly General Meeting, Monday, April 3rd, 6.30 p.m. St. Clement Danes, business meeting, 8.15 p.m. Practices, Mondays, at 7.30 p.m.: Bishopsgate, April 10th; Wilton Road, April 24th. Sundays at 10 a.m.: St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Slough.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on April 4th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 6th; St. Magnus on the 13th and 27th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 18th and Southwark Cathedral on the 25th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery.—The Annual Meeting will be held at Shepton Mallet on April 8th. Those requiring tea should notify me by April 5th. Shepton Mallet and Douling bells are available from 3 p.m.—J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., *pro tem*.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—A meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, Hackington, Canterbury, on Saturday, April 8th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Will all those requiring tea notify me not later than Tuesday, April 4th?—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

BARNLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The Monthly meeting will be held at Penistone, Saturday, April 8th. Bells ready early.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.—The next meeting of the above will be at Stone, on Saturday, April 8th. Bells (6) will be available from 3 p.m.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Tarleton on April 8th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30. A good attendance is requested.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held on April 8th at Braughing, the bells will be available during the afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at 1/- per head. Business meeting after. All ringers and friends will be heartily welcome.—W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dist. Sec., Little Munden.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held at Shore on Saturday, April 8th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30.  
—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the association will be held at Burton-on-Trent on Easter Monday, April 17th. The committee will meet in St. Paul's Institute at 2.30. There will be a service in St. Paul's Church at 3.15. A meat tea, at 2/6 per head, will be ready at 4 o'clock in St. Paul's Institute, to be followed immediately by the General Annual Meeting of the Association. The times for ringing have been fixed as under: Parish Church and St. Paul's Church, 10 to 3 and 6 to 8 o'clock; St. Mark's Church, Winhill, 12 to 3 and 6 to 8 o'clock. Owing to Bank Holiday, very special arrangements have to be made for tea, and the local committee wish me to make it very clear that it will be impossible to provide tea in the Institute except for those who give notice of their intention to be present to Mr. J. Griffin, Local Hon. Sec., 11, Shobnall Street, Burton-on-Trent, not later than first post on Thursday, April 13th.—Alfred C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Cambridge on Easter Monday. A start will be made at 10 o'clock at the Roman Catholic Church, also Great St. Mary's and Great St. Andrew's bells will be available all day. There will be a committee meeting for officers of the association at Great St. Mary's Vestry, followed by service in the church at 12 o'clock. Lunch (2/6) at the Dorothy Cafe, Sidney Street, followed by the meeting. Notice of motion to reach the General Secretary ten days before that date. It is hoped as many as possible will attend.—V. Shorter, Gen. Sec., 3, Pembroke Street, Cambridge.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Ashford on Easter Monday, April 17th. The S.E.R. Co. will convey parties of not less than twelve at a single fare and a third. The form of application for reduced fares can be obtained from the Hon. Sec., also dinner tickets (1s. each). For either or both apply soon.—Fred. J. O. Helmore, Hon. Sec., Canterbury.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—Will members of this district who intend to go to Ashford on Easter Monday send their names to me as soon as possible, as I have a quotation for a charabanc; twenty-eight required? Names must be sent early to secure the vehicle.—T. Groombridge, Hon. Dist. Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preliminary Notice.—A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Pontefract on Easter Monday, April 17th. Further details later.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec. Yorkshire Association, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Carlton in Cleveland on Easter Monday next, April 17th. Bells (8) available all day. Dinner in the School Room at 1 p.m. Service in the Church at 3 p.m. Those intending to be at Dinner must notify the Hon. Secretary not later than Monday, April 10th, or will not be provided for.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A General meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Pontefract on Easter Monday, April 17th. By the kindness of the respective Vicars, the bells at the Parish Church (10) and All Saints' Church (8) will be available for ringing throughout the day. Tea will be provided at a charge of 1/10 per head, and all applications for same must reach Mr. A. Walker, 7, Southfield Avenue, Pontefract, not later than Tuesday, April 11th. The annual report will be on sale at this meeting.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Bedford on Easter Monday, April 17th. The bells of St. Paul's (10) and St. Peter's (6) will be available from 9.30 a.m. Service in St. Paul's at 12 noon. Preacher: The Rev. Guy Beech, Rector of Turvey. Luncheon in the Drill Hall, St. Loeys, at 1 p.m., to be followed by the Business meeting. Members of kindred societies will be heartily welcomed.—Arthur E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street North, Dunstable.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Berks and Bucks Branch.—The Annual meeting of this Branch will be held at Wooburn, Bucks (Bourne End Station), on Easter Monday. Service at Parish Church at 4.30 p.m. Tea in the Parish Hall (adjoining) at 5.15, and business meeting at 6 p.m. The following towers will be open for visitors and friends: Slough 10-11, Cookham 12-1, Beaconsfield 10-11 and High Wycombe 11 to 1 p.m. Road motor cars available and Great Western and Great Central trains. The 'Welcome' Tavern at Wooburn will provide a cold luncheon (1s. 6d. per head) at 1 o'clock, if ordered four days previously. Please advise the Secretary how many will be present.—W. H. Fussell, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**DEVON GUILD.**—East Devon Branch.—Meeting will be held at Colyton on Easter Monday. Service, Parish Church 4 p.m.; tea, Church Hall 4.30 and meeting 5.15 p.m. Bells available throughout the day. All ringers welcome. Many towers in district open for the day. For particulars apply to John H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec., Ottery St. Mary.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Cathedral and St. Peter's towers open at 2 p.m., St. Stephen's and St. Michael's at any time, by arrangement. Service in the Cathedral 5 p.m. Meat tea 6 p.m. in Abbey Institute, followed by business meeting. Let your Secretary know if you are coming to tea.—G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec., Duffield, St. Albans.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 17th. Business meeting in the Cathedral Chapter House at 2.30 prompt. Chairman, The Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D., President. Service in the Cathedral at 4.15 p.m. Address by the Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D., Dean. Tea will be provided at 5.15 p.m. for all those who notify me before Wednesday, April 12th. As the allowance will not cover cost, a small charge will be made. Bells available: Cathedral (12), 1 to 2 p.m.; All Saints' (10), St. Helen's (8), St. Nicholas (6) and St. John-in-Bedwardine (6). Subscriptions should be paid, and Reports obtained, in St. Helen's Church House between 12 noon and 1 p.m.—J. R. Newman, Hon. Sec., Sheepcote, Severn Stoke, Worcester.



**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Dorking on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30; tea 5 o'clock. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. H. White, Pinehurst, Mickleham, Dorking, not later than Wednesday, April 12th?—A. J. Trappit, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Suffolk Branch.—A General meeting will be held on Easter Monday, April 17th. By permission of the Revs. Garrett and Wood, the bells of Helmingham and Framsdon will be available throughout the day. Business meeting to follow Dinner, which will be served at the White Hart, Otley, at 1.30 p.m., 3/6 per head. Members intending to be present at dinner please notify me not later than Monday, April 10th. Buses passing Helmingham Church leave Ipswich 10.30 a.m., Debenham, 9 a.m.—E. Evans, Hon. Branch Sec., 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Odiham on Saturday, April 22nd. Tower open 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45, 6d. per head will be allowed towards the cost of tea to all members informing me not later than April 15th.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dis. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual General meeting will be held at St. John-the-Baptist, Hillingdon, on Saturday, April 22nd. Service at 5 p.m. with address by the Vicar (Rev. H. J. Kitcat). Tea and business meeting to follow in the Church Hall. The cost of the tea will be 1s. per head, and as a guarantee of 50 has to be given, all who intend being present should advise either of the undersigned not later than April 18th. The ringing arrangements are as follows: St. John's (10) from 3.5 p.m. and after the meeting, St. Andrew's (8) from 3.15 to 4.40 and afterwards until 9.15. Members are urgently requested to attend.—C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, E.17, and W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4, Hon. Secs.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting to be held in Bristol on June 5th. Any alterations of rules or items for Agenda should reach me not later than May 5th. Full details of meeting shortly.—Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**'GRANDSIRE, DOUBLES and TRIPLES, Simply Explained.'**—6d., post free 7d.; 12 copies 5s. 9d. post free. A new, concise explanation of the Method for Beginners, and those who find the ordinary books of instruction too technical. To be obtained from I. Roe and M. Broome, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

#### ROYAL WEDDING TOUCHES.

**ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On Tuesday, Feb. 28th, 720 London Surprise Minor: R. S. Cherriman 1, W. White (first 720 of London) 2, A. White 3, A. Cherriman 4, G. A. Steele 5, R. Stredwick (conductor) 6.

**MARLOW.**—At All Saints' Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 45 mins.: E. Green 1, J. O. Truss 2, H. Collins 3, V. Gibson 4, R. Atkins 5, W. E. Coster 6, C. Green 7, H. Buckingham 8.

**PUTNEY.**—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (by J. George), in 45 mins.: C. Moody 1, H. Rowland 2, O. Choct 3, T. Bolton 4, W. H. Worsley 5, J. Herbert 6, E. Cassell (conductor) 7, H. Whanslaw 8.

**BATH.**—At the Abbey, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Caters was lost, after ringing 2 hrs. 11 mins.: C. Bell 1, W. Prescott 2, R. Cousins 3, T. Grant 4, H. Brown 5, E. King 6, G. Harding 7, T. F. King (conductor) 8, S. Hector 9, T. Hogsflesh and J. Taylor 10. All are members of the Abbey company except S. Hector. This was the first attempt on the bells.

## ALFRED BOWELL, CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**

LIMITED.

**COVENTRY.**

MAKERS SINCE 1730.

#### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

**PEAL CARDS, 3/6 Dozen.**

REPORT BOOKS, BALANCE SHEETS, RECEIPT BOOKS,  
STATIONERY.

**SUPPORT FELLOW RINGERS.**

**GOOD,** The Ringers' Printers,  
Bros. 31, Prestonville Rd., Brighton.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

HOPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSTEE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Haywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the Hon. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s. d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1 0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,

LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½in. 2¾in. 3¼in. 3½in. 4in. 4½in. 5in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 75/- 88/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 877. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, APRIL 7th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

### CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

## BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### THE LATE MR. A. T. KING.

The Exercise is greatly poorer to-day by the death of Mr. Arthur T. King, whose passing it was our melancholy duty to record last week. The measure of his service to ringing is not to be gauged by what he did in the public eye; his greatest work was achieved unseen, but the results of his ungrudging labours have left a permanent mark in the progress of the Exercise. Mr. King came more or less casually into ringing, and office was thrust upon him when he did not seek it; but, once he plunged into the work, his characteristic energy carried him forward, and with him the association with which he was linked. The path was not a smooth one; the amalgamation of the two Middlesex Associations was not an easy task; and outside the ranks of these organisations his aspirations were in some quarters somewhat misunderstood. Yet he held on his way, and the strength of the present Middlesex Association is a monument to his initiative, determination and tact. Even those who found themselves in opposition to him in years gone by cannot but admit that his services to ringing have been immense, for unquestionably his efforts led to a considerable increase in ringing activity in and around the Metropolis, where the competition of the new society stirred the older organisations into more strenuous movement. It was one of Mr. King's earnest desires to see the Metropolitan societies intermixing in friendly rivalry, with a spirit of goodwill existing between them all, and he lived to see this hope advanced a long step towards realisation.

In his service to the Central Council, Mr. King probably gave more time than any other member, for upon him fell a large share of the work of the Peals Analysis Committee, of which he was chairman. This work went on from week to week ceaselessly, and, characteristic of the man, at the time of his death the statistics were completed up to date. Mr. King took an immense interest in this analysis, upon which he had laboured for many years, and in this connection his services will be greatly missed, for it will be hard to find a successor with the time and ability to devote to it. In the counsels of the central organisation Mr. King's opinions were valued. With a wide outlook, a keen intellect, and a broad mind, he used to speak with weight, and, if he differed in opinion from other members, his tact always enabled him to do it in a spirit which could leave no offence. In the fulness of years he has now been called to his rest, but he is one of a type of men all too rare in the Exercise, whose place both in his own association and in ringing generally it will be difficult to fill. His life was one of service; his death leaves us still with an example which all may emulate.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, April 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY OF ST. LAWRENCE, HOLY CROSS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 38 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb. in D flat.

THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... Treble	ERNEST BRETT ... .. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	† JAMES BULLOCK ... .. 8
FRANCIS E. DAWE ... .. 3	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 9
ARTHUR J. NEALE ... .. 4	GEORGE A. CARD ... .. 10
ERNEST J. KING ... .. 5	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. 11
* JEFFREY R. GANMON ... 6	† WILLIAM E. G. HEWSON ... Tenor

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by FRANCIS EDWARD DAWE.

\* First peal on 12 tower bells and first attempt. † First peal 'inside' on 12 bells and first attempt. ‡ First peal on 12 bells and first attempt.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

NOTTINGHAM.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM SMITH ... .. Treble	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 6
JOHN OLDEHAM ... .. 2	HERBERT W. NEEDHAM ... 7
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 3	DET. SGT. H. G. JENNEY ... 8
FRYCE TAYLOR ... .. 4	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 9
ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... .. 5	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

First peal on the bells since augmentation. First peal of Cambridge Royal in the county.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

MOORSIDE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROCHDALE BRANCH AND OLDHAM & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.)

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5038 CHANGES;**

ASA WILD ... .. Treble	SAMUEL HOLT ... .. 5
FRANK LAWTON ... .. 2	HERBERT BARLOW ... .. 6
ISAAC SCHOFIELD ... .. 3	BENJAMIN THORP ... .. 7
SAMUEL M. BUTTERWORTH 4	CHARLES PLATT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES PLATT.

Taken from W. Harrison's peal of 10,176 changes. Rung as a birthday compliment to B. Thorp.

DORCHESTER, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt. in E flat.

FREDERICK W. WOODWARDS Treble	WILLIAM HUTTON ... .. 5
WALTER V. WEBB ... .. 2	RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 6
G. FREDERICK JAMES ... .. 3	JAMES S. NAPPER ... .. 7
WILLIAM G. DAVIS ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. GOODENOUGH ... Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD G. RICE.

First peal on the bells since October, 1913.

BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-THE-MARTYR,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

* EDWIN D. BAKER ... .. Treble	ALFRED PYE ... .. 5
* ALBERT RAINBIRD ... .. 2	ALFRED TARBUN, JUN. ... 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 3	WESLEY WATSON ... .. 7
ERNEST J. BUTLER ... .. 4	WILLIAM LEGGETT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

\* First peal. The ringers of 1st, 2nd, 6th and 8th belong to the local company, the rest to Romford.

PERRY BAR, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. John the Evangelist,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 13½ cwt.

GEORGE T. MITCHISON ... Treble	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... 5
HERBERT C. SPENCER ... 2	JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 6
JONATHAN PRESTON ... 3	GEORGE F. SWANN ... 7
THOMAS H. REEVES ... 4	*FREDERICK W. RISHWORTH Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON.

\* First peal in the method.

PENDLETON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Thomas,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

SAMUEL WOOD ... Treble	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT ... 5
RICHARD F. DEAL ... 2	FRED PAGE ... 6
JOSEPH LOWE ... 3	ALLEN BAILEY ... 7
JOSEPH WINTERBOTTOM ... 4	HARRY CHAPMAN ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by HARRY CHAPMAN.

The peal is taken out of 18,240 Treble Bob Major. The conductor's 450th peal.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH Treble	FRANK SHAW ... 5
*MISS M. HOULDSWORTH ... 2	JONATHAN WHEWELL ... 6
*MISS ELLEN SHAW ... 3	JAMES HOULDSWORTH ... 7
JAMES SHAW ... 4	WILLIAM RILEY ... Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by J. HOULDSWORTH.

Rung by the local company. \* First peal in the method.

BARNWOOD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
On Tuesday, March 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Lawrence,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' TEN-PART. Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

HERBERT JONES ... Treble	ALFRED E. WAITE ... 5
JOSEPH A. WAITE ... 2	ALFRED A. WAITE ... 6
GEORGE A. SMITH ... 3	ARTHUR G. WAITE ... 7
FRANCIS T. WAITE ... 4	ARTHUR G. WAITE ... Tenor

Conducted by J. A. WAITE.

Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, Rev. H. V. Paton.

LONDON, N.E.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, March 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Matthew, Upper Clapton,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

ALBERT W. COLES ... Treble	GEORGE R. PYE ... 5
WILLIAM PYE ... 2	WILLIAM J. KEMP ... 6
CHARLES A. GRAY ... 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... 7
GEORGE B. LUCAS ... 4	STANLEY H. R. COOPER ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of deep respect to the late Arthur T. King, I.S.O. (President of the above Association), who was interred at Stevenage the same day. R.I.P.

LEWISHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qr.

WILLIAM W. FOX ... Treble	HARRY WARNETT, JUN. ... 5
THOMAS A. EASTERBY ... 2	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... 6
GEORGE R. SIMMONDS ... 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... 7
CHARLES H. WALKER ... 4	HARRY WARNETT, SEN. ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 31, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

At the Bell Foundry Campanile,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5248 CHANGES;**

Tenor 6½ cwt.

WILLIAM THORLEY ... Treble	JAMES S. HUTCHBY ... 5
PRYCE TAYLOR ... 2	ERNEST W. LESLIE ... 6
JOHN SADDINGTON ... 3	J. WILLIAM SMITH ... 7
JOHN OLDHAM ... 4	ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALFRED C. WRIGHT.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,

At the Bell Foundry Tower,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 6½ cwt.

HARRY BROUGHTON ... Treble	A. CONINGSBY WRIGHT ... 5
JOHN OLDHAM ... 2	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... 6
WILLIAM SMITH ... 3	*JAMES F. GEORGE ... 7
PRYCE TAYLOR ... 4	HAROLD J. POOLE ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

\* First peal in the method.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

At the Bell Foundry Tower,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 6½ cwt.

JOHN SADDINGTON ... Treble	SHIRLEY BURTON ... 5
JOHN OLDHAM ... 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... 6
EDWARD C. GOBEY ... 3	*JAMES F. GEORGE ... 7
HAROLD J. POOLE ... 4	PRYCE TAYLOR ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN OLDHAM.

The two peals above were arranged for Messrs. Gobey and George, of Ilkeston.

WILLENHALL, STAFFS.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Giles,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES,**

THURSTANS' ONE-PART.

EDWARD HORTIN ... Treble	SAMUEL H. COLEY ... 5
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 2	JOHN T. DAVIES ... 6
JOHN PERRY ... 3	HERBERT KNIGHT ... 7
DAVID APPLEBY ... 4	ARTHUR E. REED ... Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. E. Hortin, to whom, with Mrs. Hortin, the band are indebted for hospitality at the conclusion of the peal.

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

DAVID G. WIGHTMAN ... Treble	THOS. H. CHAPPELL ... 5
ALFRED H. WATSON ... 2	WM. J. G. BROWN ... 6
LESLEY C. WIGHTMAN ... 3	WALTER RUFFLES ... 7
VICTOR E. KERRIDGE ... 4	HARRY HALL ... Tenor

Composed by N. J. PIRSTOW. Conducted by DAVID G. WIGHTMAN.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

➤ GREAT REDUCTIONS. ➤

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.



UFFORD, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**  
HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 14 cwt.

FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... Treble	JAMES M. BAILEY ... 5
*FRANK L. FISHER ... 2	*CHARLES E. FISHER ... 6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... 3	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... 7
JAMES G. RUMSEY ... 4	LEONARD P. BAILEY ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

\* First peal of Stedman and first attempt.

BEESTON, NOTTS.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

*FRED S. PRICE ... Treble	J. CHARLES DICKEN ... 5
ALBERT COPPOCK ... 2	WILLIAM A. JAMES ... 6
WM. CLIFFORD, SEN. ... 3	†FRED BLOOD ... 7
ARTHUR LOWE ... 4	PERCIVAL PRICE ... Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

Composed by N. J. PRISTOW. \* 50th peal. † First peal of Surprise Major. Rung in honour of the coming-of-age of the conductor's elder daughter, Nelly, and as a birthday compliment to five of the band and two other Beeston ringers, all of whom were born in April.

SHENSTONE, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... Treble	THOMAS H. REEVES ... 5
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... 2	OLIVER G. NORMAN ... 6
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... 3	BERNARD W. WITCHELL ... 7
CHARLES WATTHMAN ... 4	*BERTRAM G. LEEDHAM ... Tenor

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD. Conducted by B. W. WITCHELL.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr.

BEN S. THOMPSON ... Treble	WILLIAM E. BASON ... 5
ROBERT HARDY ... 2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... 6
WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... 3	GEORGE MAYERS ... 7
JOHN A. GODFREY ... 4	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

LODDON, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 11 cwt.

EDWIN R. GOATE ... Treble	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 5
CHARLES F. SAYER ... 2	FREDERICK WADE ... 6
†FREDERICK A. FINCH ... 3	*CHARLES RUSH ... 7
THOMAS BECKET ... 4	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Composed by F. E. W. MEADOWS.

Conducted by E. R. GOATE.

This is the quickest peal on the bells. \* First peal on eight. † First peal and first attempt. The band wish to thank the Vicar (Rev. R. Dixon) for entertaining them to tea after the peal.

ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.—On Tuesday, February 7th, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: R. S. Cherriman 1, A. White 2, G. Steele 3, A. Cherriman 4, K. Hart 5, R. Stredwick (conductor) 6. Rung with the bells fully muffled as a token of respect to the wife of the Rev. A. R. Read, Rector of the parish.—On Tuesday, February 14th, 720 Westminster Surprise: R. S. Cherriman 1, K. Hart 2, G. Steele 3, A. Cherriman 4, F. Trustler 5, A. White (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by all, and the first on the bells.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

SPALDWICK, HUNTINGDONSHIRE.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ARTHUR BELLAMY ... Treble	*THOMAS ABBOTT... 4
AMOS SMART... 2	JOHN R. MAIN ... 5
LEONARD J. WYMAN ... 3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

This is the first peal ever rung upon the bells, which have been restored and new treble added by Mr. A. Bowell & Sons, of Ipswich, the 'go' being now excellent. \* First peal of Minor.

PENCOMBE, HEREFORD.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

*GEORGE BISHOP... Treble	CHARLES JONES ... 4
*GEORGE BISHOP, SEN. ... 2	FREDERICK JONES ... 5
*ERNEST DAVIES ... 3	*JOHN COLLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by C. JONES.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor. First peal by a local band. Rung in honour of the Royal wedding.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of London, York, Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, Woodbine, Kent, and Oxford Treble Bob.

ERNEST F. POPPY ... Treble	ALPHAEUS J. BERRY ... 4
*BERT CHILVERS... 2	GEORGE BROWN, JUN... 5
WILLIAM CLOVER ... 3	GEORGE CATTERMOLE... Tenor

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLE.

\* First peal. B. Chilvers belongs to Cotton.

CADOXTON, NEAR NEATH.  
THE WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently.

A. DEVONALD ... Treble	C. HATTON ... 4
J. E. BLOKHAM ... 2	J. HAMMOND... 5
A. J. PITMAN ... 3	H. BOYCE ... Tenor

Conducted by J. HAMMOND.

This is the first peal of Treble Bob by all the band, also first for the above association.

LANGLEYBURY, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN DISTRICT.)

On Wednesday, March 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven different 720's.

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 21 lb.

*ALBERT E. DOLLIMORE ... Treble	ALBERT E. WEEDON ... 4
WALTER AYRE ... 2	ALFRED J. ROGERS ... 5
†JOHN W. LANE ... 3	REGINALD S. COOK ... Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

First peal of Minor by all except the conductor, who was elected a member of the Association previous to the peal. All are members of the King's Langley Band, and wish to take this opportunity to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells. \* First peal. † First peal 'inside.'

WILTON, TAUNTON.—Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, Taunton Deanery.—At the Church of St. George, on March 30th, 1922, 720 of Cambridge Surprise Minor: S. Wyatt 1, A. Wyatt 2, A. Hayward 3, G. Coles 4, P. Merson 5, J. Hunt (conductor) 6. First 720 Surprise Minor by all, and first Surprise in any method by all except the conductor. First Surprise rung by a resident band west of Bristol, and accomplished after four previous short practices, spread over two months.

## OXHEY, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Seven different 720's.

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

WILLIAM SEELEY ... .. Treble	HUBERT EDEN ... .. 4
*HAROLD G. CASHMORE ... 2	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD ... 5
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... 3	*MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT.

First peal of Surprise Minor on the bells, by all the band, and by the Association. \*First peal on six bells. The conductor has now rung a peal of Cambridge Surprise on all numbers, and is believed to be the first to do so. Rung in honour of Mr. W. Seeley's birthday.

## KEMPSTONE, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's called differently.

Tenor 19 cwt.

*LEONARD TURNER ... .. Treble	PEARL INSKIP ... .. 4
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 2	FRANK WEBB ... .. 5
THOMAS BARTRAM ... .. 3	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

\*First 5,040.

## MADRESFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Canterbury, Chester, York, London, Worcester  
Superlative and Cambridge. Tenor 14 cwt.

ERNEST E. BARBER ... .. Treble	FREDERICK STANTON ... .. 4
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... .. 2	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 5
ERNEST GIBBS ... .. 3	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT G. KNOWLES.

This is the first peal in seven Surprise methods rung by the Association.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LONDON.

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Friday, March 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT 12, GREVILLE PLACE, ST. JOHN'S WOOD,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES.

E. G. BENSON (St. Cath.) ... 1-2	E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 5-6
W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') 3-4	H. G. BENSON (King's) ... 7-8

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.  
Witness: J. B. WILLIAMSON (Trinity).

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Monday, March 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 14 in D.

WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 1-2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4	MRS. W. R. MELVILLE ... 7-8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

## LONDON.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT 12, GREVILLE PLACE, ST. JOHN'S WOOD,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

*GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... 1-2	E. M. ATKINS ... 5-6
*MISS EDITH K. PARKER ... 3-4	W. H. J. HOOTON ... 7-8

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

Witness: MRS. E. M. ATKINS.

First peal in the method.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, March 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPS, 5041 CHANGES;

Tenor size 18 in G.

ERNEST S. BAILEY ... 1-2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... 5-6
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... 3-4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 7-8
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... 9-10	

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

## LONDON.

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Wednesday, March 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT 12, GREVILLE PLACE, ST. JOHN'S WOOD,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

E. G. BENSON (St. Cath.) ... 1-2	W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') 5-6
J. B. WILLIAMSON (Trin.) ... 3-4	E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 7-8
H. G. BENSON (King's) ... 9-10	

Composed by E. M. ATKINS. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

Witness: MRS. E. M. ATKINS.

This is the first peal of Double Bob Royal to be rung 'in hand.'

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, March 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 18 in G.

WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 1-2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... 7-8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, March 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
IN ST. MARY-LE-TOWER BELFRY,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 19 in F.

*HOBART E. SMITH ... 1-2	*GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... 5-6
*CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... 3-4	WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... 7-8
FREDERICK J. TILLET ... 9-10	

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

Witness: MR. MAYHEW.

\*First peal of Royal on handbells. Author's No. 267.

## EDMONTON, N.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, March 31, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT 82, STANLEY ROAD,

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

WILBY J. HAZELL ... 1-2	*JOHN THOMAS ... 5-6
*GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... 3-4	MISS EDITH K. PARKER ... 7-8
†WALTER J. BOWDEN ... 9-10	

Composed by W. H. BARBER. Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method 'in hand.'

## COVENTRY.

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Friday, March 31, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT 45, ENGLETON ROAD, RADFORD,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPS, 5009 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 size in C.

FRANK E. PERVIN ... 1-2	JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... 5-6
FRANK W. PERRENS ... 3-4	HUBERT SUMMERS ... 7-8
JOHN TAYLOR ... 9-10	

Composed by J. E. GROVES. Conducted by FRANK W. PERRENS.

CREWE, CHESHIRE.—On Tuesday, February 14th, in 51 mins., 1,344 changes of Cambridge Surprise Major, by: W. H. Holding 1. H. Holding 2. R. D. Langford 3. G. H. Crawley 4. A. Crawley 5. H. Overton 6. R. T. Holding 7. J. H. Riding (conductor) 8. Longest touch in the method by all the band (who all learnt to ring in Crewe), and on the bells.

## SURPRISE ROYAL.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I hardly think that the method that Mr. Craven calls Bristol Surprise Royal can claim that title, as it has different lead ends, and does not allow of the fourth's place bob.

'Princess Mary' is doubtless a fine method, but contains no novelty. I published a method in 'The Bell News,' I think it was in 1898, called Drew's Court Surprise, which, in addition to the other advantages that 'Princess Mary' has, allows us to use the fourth's place bob. I also give another method which is a first cousin to it, if you will be kind enough to make room for them. But to my mind none of them approach 'Wait and See' as a practical method. The point that I like about 'Wait and See' is that the work in this method is of the same character throughout. We all know the 8, 7, 8's and 6, 5, 6's of London. Well, the character of this method depends almost entirely on them.—Yours etc., E. BANKES JAMES.

## DREW'S COURT SURPRISE ROYAL.

I.  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

2 1 4 3 6 5 8 7 0 9  
1 2 3 4 6 8 5 0 7 9  
2 1 4 3 8 6 0 5 9 7  
2 4 1 8 3 6 5 0 7 9  
4 2 8 1 6 3 0 5 9 7  
2 4 1 8 3 6 0 5 9 7  
4 2 8 1 6 3 9 0 7 5  
2 4 8 6 1 9 3 0 5 7  
4 2 6 8 9 1 0 3 7 5  
4 6 2 8 1 9 3 0 5 7  
6 4 8 2 9 1 0 3 7 5  
4 6 2 8 9 0 1 7 3 5  
6 4 8 2 0 9 7 1 5 3  
6 8 4 0 2 9 1 7 3 5  
8 6 0 4 9 2 7 1 5 3  
8 0 6 9 4 7 2 5 1 3  
0 8 9 6 7 4 5 2 3 1  
0 9 8 7 6 5 4 2 1 3  
9 0 7 8 5 6 2 4 3 1  
0 9 8 7 6 5 2 3 4 1  
9 0 7 8 5 6 3 2 1 4  
9 7 0 5 8 3 6 2 4 1  
7 9 5 0 3 8 2 6 1 4  
7 5 9 3 0 2 8 1 6 4  
5 7 3 9 2 0 1 8 4 6  
5 3 7 2 9 0 8 1 6 4  
3 5 2 7 0 9 1 8 4 6  
5 3 7 2 0 1 9 4 8 6  
3 5 2 7 1 0 4 9 6 8  
3 2 5 7 0 1 9 4 8 6  
2 3 7 5 1 0 4 9 6 8  
3 2 7 1 5 4 0 9 8 6  
2 3 1 7 4 5 9 0 6 8  
3 2 7 1 5 4 9 6 0 8  
2 3 1 7 4 5 6 9 8 0  
2 1 3 4 7 5 9 6 0 8  
1 2 4 3 5 7 6 9 8 0  
2 1 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0  
1 2 4 3 6 5 8 7 0 9  
1 4 2 6 3 8 5 0 7 9

II.  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

2 1 4 3 6 5 8 7 0 9  
1 2 3 4 5 6 8 0 7 9  
2 1 4 3 8 6 5 0 8 9 7  
2 4 1 6 3 0 5 8 7 9  
4 2 6 1 0 3 8 5 8 7  
2 4 1 6 0 8 3 9 5 7  
4 2 6 1 8 0 9 3 7 5  
4 6 2 8 1 0 3 9 5 7  
6 4 8 2 0 1 9 3 7 5  
6 8 4 2 1 0 3 9 5 7  
8 6 2 4 0 1 9 3 7 5  
6 8 2 0 4 0 1 7 3 5  
8 6 0 2 9 4 7 1 5 3  
8 0 8 9 2 4 1 7 3 5  
0 8 9 6 4 2 7 1 5 3  
0 8 0 9 4 7 2 5 1 3  
0 8 9 6 7 4 5 2 3 1  
0 9 8 7 8 5 4 2 1 3  
9 0 7 8 5 6 2 4 3 1  
0 9 8 7 6 5 2 3 4 1  
9 0 7 8 5 6 3 2 1 4  
9 7 0 5 8 3 6 2 4 1  
7 8 5 0 3 8 2 6 1 4  
9 7 0 5 3 2 8 1 6 4  
7 9 5 0 2 3 1 8 4 6  
7 5 9 2 0 3 8 1 6 4  
5 7 2 9 3 0 1 8 4 8  
7 5 2 3 9 1 0 4 8 6  
5 7 3 2 1 9 4 0 6 8  
5 3 7 2 9 1 0 4 8 6  
3 5 2 7 1 9 4 0 8 8  
3 2 5 1 7 9 0 4 8 6  
2 3 1 5 9 7 4 0 6 8  
3 2 5 1 9 4 7 8 0 6  
2 3 1 5 4 9 6 7 8 0  
2 1 3 4 5 6 9 7 0 8  
1 2 4 3 6 5 7 9 8 0  
2 1 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0  
1 2 4 3 6 5 8 7 0 9  
1 4 2 6 3 8 5 0 7 9

Dear Sir,—Allow me, through your columns, to thank Mr. G. Baker for his frank and open-hearted expressions of approval re the merits of 'Princess Mary' Surprise, as enumerated when I introduced it.

With reference to Mr. Deuch's remarks re Bristol Surprise Royal, I had no idea of claiming any originality in publishing the figures. I produced them last November while attempting to extend Bristol Major to Royal, and sent them to 'The Ringing World' in a letter replying to Mr. James, when he stated that the figures he published ('Wait and See') were the best ten-bell method he had come across. I had no idea that the figures had appeared publicly and I don't think those of December 3rd, 1915, are the same. However, let it be perfectly understood how I produced them and why I published them. The method is worth all the publicity that can be given to it. I have heard that Mr. Baker had this extension, September 1921, and Mr. Trollope nine or ten years ago. If any apology is due from me I humbly tender it, but I am not sure to whom it is due.—Yours truly, ARTHUR CRAVEN.

Stannington, near Sheffield March 28th, 1922.

EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.—On Saturday, February 18th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: G. Caudwell 1, Mrs. A. E. Lock 2, T. East 3, T. Short 4, E. Humfrey 5, A. E. Lock (conductor) 6, J. S. Napper 7, W. Goodenough 8. Four new ropes having been put on the back bells just previous to starting, made an attempt for a peal impracticable.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## NORTHERN DISTRICT SOCIAL.

On Saturday, March 25th, a new venture on the part of Northern District of the London County Association, in the shape of a social evening and dance, took place in the spacious hall of Christ Church, Spitalfields. Commencing soon after 7.30 p.m. the floor soon filled, some enjoyable dancing being indulged in. Songs by Miss Dawson (who sang charmingly) the Master and his sister, the secretary and Mr. N. W. Russell, were well rendered and appreciated. Handbells, also figured very largely in the programme. Courses of Grandsire Triples, although very foreign to a good many, greatly interested the non-ringing section of the audience, who, however, were much more at home with the efforts in tune playing by the Master, Secretary and Mr. F. C. Lambert. Old-time airs were played—well known by all, who could not help assisting vocally to the utmost of their power. Naturally, encores were in great demand, and unfortunately the repertoire would not meet the demand without a repeat. The performance was nevertheless heartily applauded.

Refreshments were provided by Messrs. Thornhills, of Bishopsgate. Thanks are due to the Rector of Church Church for the use of the hall, and to the caretaker who had everything in readiness, also to the ladies who worked so hard in serving the refreshments. Members were present from Bethnal Green, Willesden, Holloway, Islington, Leytonstone and Fulham.

One of the chief ideas in holding this social evening, apart from furthering the aims of the district, was to give the ringers a chance to bring wives or relatives who, generally speaking, do not meet the society in any way, and have little knowledge of the general running of the organisation which provides ringing at least one or two evenings per week.

## DONCASTER &amp; DISTRICT SOCIETY.

A most successful meeting of this society was held at Tickhill on March 25th. Tickhill is a sleepy old-world town, with some history behind it. It possesses an old Norman castle, which is partly surrounded by the old moat, which still contains water. On three occasions at least the castle was besieged. In 'Ivanhoe' there is a graphic story of how Richard stormed Torquilstone Castle, and it is not unlikely that it was Tickhill Castle which Scott had in his mind at the time. The tower of the Parish Church of St. Mary the Virgin was built between 1373 and 1399 by John o' Gaunt Duke of Lancaster, and is one of the most magnificent in South Yorkshire.

About 40 members were present at the meeting from some twelve different towers. The peal of eight bells were kept going all the afternoon and evening to the standard methods, and also Cambridge Surprise. Tea was served in the Parish Room, a quaint pillared and porticoed building standing in the High Street. This was formerly the St. Leonard's Hospital, and it was built in 1470. The Vicar of Tickhill presided, and he also took the chair at the business meeting, at which eleven new members were elected and General Sir Alington Berwick-Copley, of Sprotborough, was elected an honorary member.

The usual votes of thanks were passed.

## RINGER'S DEATH AT BAGSHOT.

For morning service, on March 26th, the local band of St. Anne's, Bagshot, Surrey, rang half-muffled touches of Grandsire Triples, including 476 by Miss Margery Wood 1, Miss Mabel Nye 2, J. Corbett 5, H. Gould 4, T. Gould 5, F. Francis 6, F. Nye (conductor) 7, W. Varn-dell 8. This was rung as a token of respect to the memory of the late Mr. Henry Stapleton who passed away on March 7th, after a short but painful illness.

The ringers regret that owing to illness near the church they were unable to pay this tribute to a departed comrade before. Mr. Stapleton will be greatly missed by the band, of which he had been a member since 1885. He rang his first peal of Grandsire Triples at Leatherhead in December, 1890, and his last in April, 1921, at St. Anne's, Bagshot, which was the first peal on the bells and was rung by the local band.

## OVER 70 YEARS A RINGER.

On Wednesday, March 22nd, at St. Mary's Church, Devizes, as a token of respect to the memory of the late Mr. William Taplin, who died on March 19th, in his 95th year, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung in 54 mins. with the bell half-muffled, by the following: Miss F. Rowe 1, S. H. Sutton 2, F. Green 3, G. W. England 4, S. Hillier (conductor) 5, H. Sutton 6. Mr. Taplin had been associated with St. Mary's bells for over 70 years, the last occasion on which he had a 'pull' being on the occasion of the peace day celebrations in July, 1919, when he climbed the long stairway to the ringing chamber without assistance, although then 92 years of age.

BEVERLEY.—At the Minster, on Tuesday, March 7th for practice, 503 Grandsire Caters: R. Owen 1, C. P. Bradley 2, H. Ringrose 3, J. Braithwaite 4, F. Osgerby 5, C. G. Constable 6, A. M. C. Field 7, W. Gibson 8, W. Middleton 9, E. S. Field 10. Also 168 Stedman Triples (W. Middleton conductor) and 395 Grandsire Caters.

**REAL SUPERLATIVE.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—It does seem remarkable what ridiculous claims the common or garden variety of composers will advance; myself, as an instance, for having claimed to possess a truly wonderful impossibility (according to the tone of Mr. Parker's letter), i.e., 10,000 of Real Superlative, with over 9,000, tenors together. I infer from Mr. Parker's letter that he considers it to be utterly unattainable; that being so, what I now ask will cost him nothing. Being keenly interested in Leicester's Royal Infirmary, will Mr. Parker give a donation of £10 to that institution (it is upheld by public subscription) if my composition is true? Should he have the courage of his own conviction he will make that promise if the peal is false, then nothing will ever coax Fred Dexter to follow mirages again.—Yours truly,  
F. H. DEXTER.

**BELLS AND BELL RINGING EXHIBITION.**

On a recent Friday the Acton Scientific and Literary Society held at their hall a demonstration and exhibit evening, comprising Fossil footprints, by Dr. Sherlock, F.G.S.; astronomical telescopes by J. B. Miles, B.Sc.; a collection of gem stones by Miss H. Mackenzie, B.A., B.Sc.; bells and bell ringing, by Robt. Holloway. Great interest was shown in the old bells and castings, and in the working models of the present-day bell.

Demonstrations of change ringing were given at intervals to a crowded hall on Mr. Lawrence's two sets of beautiful handbells—small and large—which fairly 'brought down the roof.' Altogether the evening was a great success, as at times Mr. Holloway was lost in the crowd around him all anxious to know exactly how church bells were rung, and it was apparent extraordinary ideas of ringing exist in some people's minds. Those who took part in the handbells were: H. Wincote 1—2, W. Lawrence 3—4, Robt. Pardon 5—6, Robt. Holloway 7—8. Models and old bells were very kindly lent by Messrs. W. Lawrence, Mears and Stainbank, and Warner and Sons.

**LONG STANTON VICAR'S LOSS.**

On Monday, Mar. 27, at Long Stanton, 720 Bob Minor was rung in whole pulls, with the bells muffled at back stroke, in 55½ mins., as a token of respect to the late Mrs. Adelaide Constance Maddock, eldest sister of the Vicar, who was buried in the churchyard next day: W. Hawkes 1, F. J. Cook 2, G. Crisp 3, Rev. H. B. Woolley 4, J. B. Woolley 5, C. W. Cook (conductor) 6.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
TONBRIDGE DISTRICT.**

The annual meeting of Tonbridge district of the Kent Association was attended by over thirty members. Service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. S. H. Clark), Mr. A. M. Darling (churchwarden) read the lesson, and the Rev. F. L. Schrieber (Vicar of Shipbourne) gave an excellent address. The Rev. C. E. G. Myley, Mus.Bac., Vicar of St. Michael's, East Peckham, presided at the organ. Following the service tea was partaken of in the Parish Room, followed by the business meeting. The Vicar of Tonbridge presided, supported by the two churchwardens and the vicars of Shipbourne and East Peckham. The Vicar of Leigh (the Rev. G. E. Weston) was also present.—The District Secretary extended a hearty welcome to the Vicar of Leigh, and announced that the ringers of that church were to be proposed as members. The secretary's report congratulated the members on a most successful year: 26 new members had been elected and there was a total increase of three on the preceding year. He reported that some repairs had been done at Staplehurst by Mr. Bowell, of Ipswich, which were quite satisfactory. He regretted to announce that owing to the bad state of the frame and fittings the bells at Lamberhurst could not be rung, and that the authorities there did not take advantage of the offers that were made a few years ago, when, with a little perseverance, he thought that not only would the present six bells have been rehung but two trebles would have been added. The scheme, however, was allowed to drop. Four meetings had been held. The district had suffered a severe loss by the death of their old friend, Miss MacAlpine Leny.

The report was approved.

The Vicar of Tonbridge was elected an hon. member.

Mr. W. Latter was re-elected district secretary, and Messrs. Edwards and White representatives on the Central Committee. Fifteen new members were elected, and it was decided to hold meetings this year at Chiddingstone, Westerham, Staplehurst and Speldhurst.

Mr. White gave a short report of the business done at the last Central Committee meeting, stating that the annual meeting was to be held on Easter Monday either at Ashford or Tenterden.

The District Secretary made another appeal for the Association War Memorial, and asked the representatives of the various bands to take a collecting card and bring the matter before their members and return the cards with the subscriptions as soon as possible.

Mr. White proposed that votes of thanks be accorded to the Vicar and churchwarden of Tonbridge, and to the preacher and organist.—Mr. A. M. Darling replied.

The members afterwards returned to the tower for further ringing.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,

32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.



ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

for

Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.

HANDBELLS

In Sets of any number.

BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Good Friday will necessitate 'The Ringing World' being sent to press a day earlier next week. Advertisements and reports must reach us not later than Monday.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Owing to pressure on our space this week we are obliged to hold over a few peal reports, letters and articles by contributors.

The Towers and Belfries Committee of the Central Council have had several conferences in London with the Society for the Preservation of Ancient Buildings. It is hoped on both sides that considerable mutual advantage will be derived from this conference.

The peal of Double Norwich at Mitcham on March 25th, was rung in honour of Mr. J. D. Drewett, the highly respected Master of the Surrey Association, and a member of the College Youths, upon his having been made a Justice of the Peace for the county of Surrey.

The first peal of Treble Bob Royal was rung at St. Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, on April 7th, 1741. It was a peal by the Eastern Scholars, and remains as one of the landmarks in ringing history.

Twenty years later, in 1761, was rung that remarkable peal at Leeds in Kent, the extent of the changes in Bob Major (40,320) in which 13 men took part, and which began on April 7th and ended on April 8th.

Ten years ago to-morrow the Herts Association rang the 12,160 Bristol Surprise in 7 hrs. 18 mins., at Knebworth.

The first peal of Stedman Cinques in Yorkshire was rung 40 years ago next Monday. This was at Sheffield.

On April 11th, 1888, a peal of 13,265 Grandsire Caters was rung at Appleton, and on April 12th, 1909, that triumph of all tower bell peals, the 18,027 Stedman Caters at Loughborough in 12 hrs. 18 mins., which eclipsed for number of changes, weight of metal and length of time, anything ever before (or since) rung single-handed.

The anniversary of another record occurs next week, viz., the 14,000 of Kent Treble Bob Royal, in 9 hrs. 24 mins., rung at Ashten-under-Lyne on April 13th, 1914.

## METHOD NAMING.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The time has now long since gone by when I was open to receive names for the unnamed methods in the Council's Minor Collection. The matter is now in the hands of the Peals Analysis Committee, and with all they have to get through in connection with the Analysis, I feel that its members have a big job in arriving at a final conclusion regarding names. Many claims have to be sifted, and members of the Exercise who have put forward claims must be prepared to receive some disappointments.—Yours truly,

CYRIL W. Q. JENKYN Hon. Librarian.

## GRANDSIRE TRIPLES COMPOSITIONS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Mr. Lindoff is quite right when he says that I made my remarks about my irregular 10-part, for my own advantage. And the advantage that I want to get by them is this: to prevent that peal from being hawked about the country any longer as his composition. He says that nothing is easier than for me to produce the printed evidence, but how am I to do this? I only saw one copy at that time, it was a cutting and where it had been published, whether in a paper, or a report, I cannot say. This, however, I can do. I can bring forward evidence that that peal has been rung again and again as his. But this I cannot do until I can get hold of a file of your valuable paper, so he must wait about a month for the evidence that I shall be able to produce, as soon as I can refer to the back numbers of 'The Ringing World.' I may state that the variation that is generally rung as his is in a five-part form with ten singles. If Mr. W. T. Pegler should see this letter, I should be obliged if he would write and say whether he has any recollection of the conversation which Mr. Lindoff asserts never took place.

With regard to the peal under discussion, I can only say again, as I have said before, that I never published it at all, and never knew who first published it. In 1903 I was away in Switzerland, and I never saw a ringing paper, or had any knowledge of what was going on in the Exercise from 1902 until I took up ringing again in 1911, and I never knew that Mr. Lindoff had laid claim to my composition until he wrote and told me so last summer.—Yours faithfully,

E. BANKES JAMES.

SWINDON, WILTS.—On March 7th, at the Parish Church, 576 Superlative Surprise Major: \*A. W. Bond 1, E. Bishop 2, E. W. Hyner 3, W. G. Lancaster 4, G. W. Townsend 5, H. W. L. Wells 6, S. Palmer 7, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 8.—On March 14th, 448 Superlative Surprise Major: A. W. Bond 1, E. Bishop 2, R. W. Hyner 3, W. G. Lancaster 4, S. Palmer 5, \*H. A. Heard 6, H. W. L. Wells 7, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 8. \*First touch in the method.

## FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR. A. T. KING. INTERMENT AT STEVENAGE.

With a simple but impressive service, the mortal remains of the late Mr. Arthur T. King were laid to rest in the churchyard at Stevenage on Thursday of last week. Mr. King, whose sudden death is lamented by the whole Exercise, died, as recorded in our last issue, while on his way to church to attend morning service, on Sunday, March 26th. He got as far as the church, and on the steps he collapsed. He was taken into the vestry, but it was found that he had already passed away, death having apparently taken place instantaneously, from heart failure.

A large number of relatives and friends attended the funeral, but the widow was unable to be present on account of shock from which she was suffering, and the bitterly cold weather which prevailed. The family mourners included: Dr. William H. King and Quartermaster Corporal-Major P. L. King, Life Guards (sons); Mrs. Margetts and Miss K. King (daughters); Miss Margetts (grand-daughter); Mr. King (brother); and a sister. Others present included the deceased gentleman's late colleagues at the National Debt Office, and friends from Barnet, as well as the following ringers, representing the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild: Mr. F. A. Milne, J.P. (hon. treasurer), Mr. Wm. Pyc (Master), Mr. C. T. Coles (hon. secretary), Mr. James Parker, Miss E. K. Parker, Mr. G. R. Pyc, and Mr. J. R. Sharman. Mrs. J. Parker and Mrs. W. J. Bowden were also present.

The service was conducted by Canon Morgan Smith (Rector of Stevenage), assisted by the Rev. Digby J. Leavoyd (Rector of Debden, Essex, late curate of Barnet, and a great friend of Mr. King's), who read the lesson. The organist and choir were present, and in addition to the special Psalm, the hymn, 'Let saints on earth in concert sing,' and the 'Nunc Dimittis' were sung. The committal was said by the Rector of Stevenage, and the closing prayers by the Rector of Debden.

Immediately at the close, a course of Grandsire Caters was rung over the grave by C. T. Coles 1-2, Miss E. K. Parker 3-4, G. R. Pyc 5-8, W. Pyc 7-8, J. Parker 9-10.

There were a large number of flowers, including a beautiful wreath with the inscription, 'With deepest sympathy from the members of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild of Change Ringers.'

A half-muffled peal of Stedman Triples (recorded elsewhere) was rung the same evening at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, by special permission of the Rev. O. R. Dawson, and on Saturday an attempt was made at the Church of St. George-in-the-East for a half-muffled peal of Bristol Surprise Major, but this unfortunately failed, after 2½ hours' ringing.

At Christ Church, Southgate, on Thursday evening, March 30th, by the local band, six courses Grandsire Caters were rung with the bells half-muffled, in memory of the late President of the Middlesex County Association.

At Willesden, Middlesex, with the bells half-muffled the 'whole pull and stand,' followed by 432 of Grandsire Triples, was rung by E. H. Kilby 1, B. Foskett 2, G. M. Kilby 3, C. Lankester 4, F. H. Crook 5, R. Kilby 6, H. Kilby (conductor) 7, P. Norton 8.

A letter of condolence from the Central Council has been sent to the widow by the hon. secretary (Mr. E. Alex. Young), who referred to Mr. King's service to ringing, and especially to the Council, where his knowledge, help and influential support, will be sadly missed.

'Once a Beginner' writes: 'I was deeply grieved to read in your issue of March 31st of the death of Mr. Arthur T. King, and hasten to tender my sympathy to the Middlesex County Association on their loss. Indeed, not only the Middlesex Association, but the whole Exercise, has lost a hand and brain that was for ever at their service. Mr. King was one of those rare men who was for ever doing something for the common good, and by far the greater portion of his work was never known to the rank and file of ringers.'

'I well remember the rather gusty meeting at Ealing in 1897, when the Association came into being as a county organisation. It had been my humble duty at the last minute to whitewash the belfry ceiling for the occasion, and I got such a wiggling from good old Jack Basden because I had not cleaned up all my "litter".'

'Mr. King had a task set him which only one with his powerful personality and keen brain could have safely undertaken. To launch a new ship in the midst of an already congested stream, in the face of very decided opposition from the older societies was a task that few would have been able to bring to such a successful conclusion as he did. In after years I have heard him alluded to as "the King of Middlesex," and he was in truth supreme, as no one could approach him for tactfulness and thought for others and their feelings, and I dare say without fear of contradiction that Mr. King's name will be found written on the scroll with ink that has not faded when those who sought to belittle his aims have long been forgotten among men. There are many who knew him by name only, but many more knew him and loved him for his ever hearty greeting on all occasions, and we all deeply feel the loss of our old friend and adviser.'

## WHY ST. EDMUNDSBURY? SUFFOLK SECRETARY REPLIES.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Your two Norfolk correspondents are not quite in touch with the position as it is in Suffolk. I have always been in favour of such a move as the secretary of the old Norwich Association now advocates, but there are two objections to the way it has now been done: one external, the other internal.

(1) When I wrote on the matter in your columns last year, you drew our attention to the fact that the Ely Association has a residuary interest in West Suffolk. The latter has given up its largest branch in order that a society may be formed for the new Diocese. And it is clearly both wrong and discourteous for the Norwich Association to take advantage of this generous act, to try and snatch this territory, without consulting the Ely Association first.

(2) The title of the old Norwich Association is fixed by a rule which can only be altered at a general meeting after due notice. Yet we find that, without any notice at all, this alteration has been made at a committee meeting of a branch, at which, I am informed, there was not a quorum present; apparently a small district meeting has since supported the change, but how this effects its validity I do not see.

With regard to the Suffolk Diocesan Association, the criticisms are premature, for as will be seen from your advertisement columns, the latter is still in a preliminary stage, and will be till April 29th at least. Certain ringers in Suffolk wish to have a society of their own, now that they have a Diocese of their own. Whether they number 80 or 800, only concerns themselves. They wish no harm, but everything that is good, to the old Norwich Association, and as far as ringers in East Suffolk are concerned, would be glad to work in with the old Association; and I have no doubt that if Norfolk ringers would cease their well-intentioned but misdirected efforts, we shall 'all live happily together ever afterwards.'—Yours sincerely,

HERBERT DRAKE.

Dear Sir,—In reply to my friend Mr. Burton, I quite agree that Suffolk 'Diocesan' is incorrect. By the request of several clergy, and, at the suggestion of our general secretary, the word 'county' was dropped, and the word 'Diocesan' inserted. On my own part I am for the original word 'county.'

I would like to state that 'the body' of 80 ringers has never attempted to dictate to the Association of 400, nor wishes to do so. The Ipswich Branch of the N. and I.A., without doubt, is a strong one; but not the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Branch; as Mr. Burton must have known after the meeting at Hadleigh that the ringers of St. Edmundsbury district did not leave a weak sister society with the intention of strengthening a stronger one, which would have been a bit 'shady.' I still ask, 'Why St. Edmundsbury?' when the word is meaningless, as it is the members that make an Association, and not the territory.—Yours truly,

Lavenham,

S. H. SYMONDS.

## RINGING IN AMERICA.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I was interested in the letter published in your issue of March 31st, from A. C. Limpus, Vancouver, B.C. He, with his fellow ringers, is to be congratulated in maintaining a band of ringers that enable them to ring regularly. There must be something of a 'home touch' that enables them to do it and no difficulties to contend with such as we meet with in Boston, Mass., U.S.A.

I appreciate his correcting me. My information as to location of peals, ringing activities, etc., was obtained from Dr. A. H. Nicholls, of Boston, who I understand, has kept himself in touch with all activities among bells in America for the last 40 or 50 years. Evidently his records were not complete. I feel sure he will appreciate any information Mr. Limpus can impart to him. After writing my letter—the one Mr. Limpus refers to—I received a letter from Mr. A. P. Goddard, I believe it was, if my memory serves me correctly, of Vancouver, too late for me to correct myself as to the activities of the band there.

I would take this opportunity of stating that I answered all letters received by me from England, up to the time of my departure from Boston. I hope that when I return I shall see a few additions to our band, as I received a number of promising letters.

I might add, for the benefit of any sailor ringers who might call at Boston, or some near-by port in the U.S.A., that we can be reached by telephoning or writing Dr. A. H. Nicholls, 55, Mount Vernon Street, Boston, or Richard Newton, Merchants Bank State Street, Boston.—Yours truly,

Bedford, April 4th, 1922.

ALEXANDER MATTHEWS.

MORETON CORBET, SHROPSHIRE.—On Tuesday, February 14th, 720 Doubles, comprising two six-scores of Plain Bob, and four six-scores of Grandsire, each called differently, in 28 mins.: F. Venables 1, W. Lycett 2, W. Clay (conductor) 3, A. Shotton 4, E. V. Rodenburst 5, H. Austin 6. This is the first attempt for a 720 by the ringers of treble and tenor, who belong to the local band.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## NEW METHODS.

MR. WILLIAM PYE CRITICISES MODERN PRODUCTIONS.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—In your lewling article of the 31st March you launch an attack on present-day Surprise ringers. Your attack is a very poor one, and does not need a very strong defence to withstand it. My contention is this, that unless new methods are in some way superior to old ones we are not advancing in the least by ringing them. The only Surprise method on eight bells that is any good, which has been produced during the last century is Bristol, which is without doubt a beautiful method, and Mr. James has every reason to be proud of it. He has told us that he has had such methods as Dublin, Suffolk, Guildford and Premier, as long as he has had Bristol, and that they were taken from it, but were worthless, compared with Bristol—which is quite true. To place these methods, before the Exercise after Bristol is like giving anyone champagne till he could not drink any more, and then ask him to take water for a change. They are what you would commonly call 'throw outs,' which means they are all defective. Take Suffolk, for instance. The front work is Bristol reversed. The result is you have two places in a course when 7-8 do double dodging the wrong way, and there are four places in every lead where bells lie still in 5-6, which should always be avoided, for dodging is always preferable to that. In addition to that you have a bell in 7-8 for a whole lead and seven pull dodging at a hob, which is too long. It is also robbed of its clean proof scale, which gives less scope for composition. Dublin is a little improvement on Suffolk, as it has a clean proof scale and 7, 8, always dodge the right way. Premier has little to recommend it, as it is not on the lengthening lead plan, which does not improve its musical properties. It is like going back from Treble Bob to Bob Major for a change. Guildford, too, has little to recommend it, and it cannot be said that any of these methods are more intricate than either Bristol or London, for anyone who can ring Bristol has little or nothing to learn, and the only novelty in them is destroyed very often, as they are sometimes rung before publication, and the only persons they appeal to are those that will go for anything that is fresh. Double Dublin is about the best method, and that is spoilt by the work in 5-6 and behind. The latest bombshell is Double Superlative, which is a beautiful method spoilt. Too many calls spoil any Surprise method, but when you get four calls in two leads it's the limit. You have the treble hunting one bell for two leads, and another bell hunting that, so that it is like having three trebles, and 7, 8 are retained in 3-4 or 5-6 a lead at a time. Although you have the M and W leads, the method is robbed of a lot of its best changes, and by shortening the courses you do not often increase your scope for composition. I am afraid our Leicester friend will find, if he publishes a 9,000 with the tenors together, that he will have a rude awakening.

In conclusion I say let ringers please themselves what they ring. At any rate I shall. No one would welcome a really good method more than your humble, but I certainly shall not go for freaks of nature.—Yours, etc.,

W. PYE.

We wish Mr. Pye had carried his analysis further, and pointed out the defects of the three methods, to which so many Surprise ringers limit their operations—Superlative, Cambridge and London. We are sure he could have found many points to criticise. Like Premier, which Mr. Pye says has little to recommend it, neither of the methods mentioned are on the lengthening lead plan and thus their musical properties are not improved. Like Suffolk, they are without a clean proof scale, and nothing gives less scope for composition than Cambridge, which has a defect that would not be tolerated in any modern method, viz., that of four bells lying still twice in each lead. Then, too, the beauties of Superlative are marred by the fact that it is impossible in a peal to avoid having the 2nd dodge with the tenor—a 'musical' blemish which some, at any rate, of the other methods can be made to escape. In some respects, therefore, the old methods so religiously adhered to are no better than some of the new ones. But there are others besides those analysed above. The fact that the novelty of these new methods is destroyed by someone ringing them before they are published is no fresh detriment to the subsequent ringing of them by others, for Superlative, Cambridge and London had the novelty knocked out of them a hundred years ago. The whole point of our last week's article was to show that in Surprise methods the bulk of ringers practise little beyond those methods which were rung a century ago.

## GET OUT OF THE RUT.

Dear Sir,—With reference to your article on the above-named subject, I feel that a slight has been put on many of the ringers that endeavour to keep the Exercise alive.

While it is great to see the many performances the men at Leiston and Whitley Bay have put up, yet it should be borne in mind that these ringers all reside very near one another, and are, therefore, able to practise continually with practically the same band.

Now, in many cases peals are rung by mixed bands at various churches, and some of these, although only in such methods of Grand-sire, Bob Major, Treble Bob and Double Norwich, are often only ob-

tained at great trouble and expense to these ringers, besides the long distances they have to travel to ring them. Of course, in these circumstances, nobody would expect them to ring such methods as London, as they are unable to practise together regularly.

No disrespect is intended to the brothers Bailey or Goffon.—Yours sincerely,

D. N.

My reference was not to those who are unable to practise methods other than they now ring, but to those who, having the facilities, are content to go on ringing, without any efforts to introduce even variety, the methods which our great grandfathers rang.—Ed. 'R.W.'

## TWO SUGGESTIONS.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—Permit me a word of comment on two points recently brought forward in your correspondence columns.

With regard to the first, I see that I am already too late as far as Bristol is concerned. Now that annual dinners are being established in various quarters, the question may be raised, whether such gatherings may not occasionally be held in the middle of the week, so that clerical members of the ringing fraternity may have a chance of attending them without the necessity of being absent from their parishes on the following Sunday. To provide for their Sunday duties is in most cases both difficult and expensive and the result of the present practice is to debar almost all the clergy from taking part in these enjoyable gatherings except the few that happen to live in the immediate locality.

The other matter is the 'Norwich and Ipswich' controversy. As one whose first recollection of ringing is the sound of St. Mary's bells, Woodbridge, in the seventies, I have been following this discussion with interest. Mr. Burton very properly points out that 'Suffolk' Diocesan' is practically meaningless. On the other hand, such a cumbersome title as 'Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association' is destined to collapse under its own weight. (What a mouthful for the secretary introducing new members of the Central Council!) Is not the most sensible solution of the problem to rename the whole society 'The Norfolk and Suffolk Association,' and then divide it into two main branches (a) Norwich Diocesan, (b) St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan, with further territorial subdivisions, such as East and West Suffolk? This suggestion is somewhat analogous to the arrangement in Lancashire, where Liverpool Diocese forms a branch of the County Association.—Yours truly, F. L. EDWARDS.

## SUTTON COLDFIELD RINGER'S DEATH.

We regret to record the death, on March 15th, of Mr. George Roberts of Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire. The deceased joined the Sutton Coldfield Parish Church band about 34 years ago, and (except for a brief period) remained a member until his death.

Previous to the year 1889, change ringing had not been practised in Sutton Coldfield by a local band, but about the latter date, deceased with several other young men became associated with the Parish Church tower, the leader of which at that time was the present deputy parish clerk (Mr. T. Matthews). The band thus augmented decided, with the assistance and consent of the Church authorities, to learn the art of change ringing. Accordingly, an instructor was engaged, and such progress was made that on 3rd October, 1891, a peal of 5,040 changes was rung in which six of the local ringers took part; and this was the first peal that the deceased took part in. Since that time he had taken part in numerous peals, and had rung in practically every tower containing eight bells in the district. He was a member of the Warwickshire Guild, the Worcestershire Association, the Staffordshire Archdeaconry Society, and the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham. Some of his peals were notable, and included a 'George' peal rung at Harborne Parish Church on St. George's Day, 1920. His last 5,040 was rung on the Abbey bells, Erdington, on 27th January—a muffled peal in memory of the late Pope.

The funeral took place on Saturday, the 18th March at the Cemetery, Sutton Coldfield, and in the evening his late campanological colleagues attempted to ring a muffled peal on the Parish Church bells as a tribute of respect; and very appropriately Mr. B. W. Witchell, of Erdington, who conducted Mr. Roberts' first peal over 30 years ago, acted as conductor. One of the sidemen of the Parish Church (Mr. F. Dickens) who also rang in the deceased's first peal, took part in the funeral peal. Unfortunately, a change course took place after 2,500 changes had been rung. The band was: F. Dickens 1, J. Pemberton 2, G. Garrison 3, T. Bloore 4, B. Witchell 5, C. Waitman 6, B. Leatham 7, J. Reynolds 8.

The ringers hope to fix in the tower some permanent record to his memory.

The deceased leaves a widow and young family, to whom the greatest sympathy is extended by a wide circle of friends.

## MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. W. W. GIFFORD.

Amount previously acknowledged £8 4s.; Mr. F. White, 10s. 6d.; Rev. Cyril W. O. Jenkyn, 10s.; total £9 4s. 6d.

Contributions should be sent to Mr. L. Harris Britford, Salisbury, or Mr. F. W. Romaine, 41, Green Croft Street, Salisbury, joint hon. secretaries.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**LONDON.**—St. John-at-Hackney.—On Sunday, April 2nd, for British Legion service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 52 mins.: R. E. Pellatt 1, Albert Coles 2, S. S. Dunwell 3, Arthur Coles 4, H. G. Alford 5, E. D. Lillywhite 6, W. J. Kemp (conductor) 7, A. Howell 8.

**LONG STANTON.**—On April 2nd, for evensong, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. Hawes 1, C. W. Cook 2, F. J. Cook 3, G. Crisp 4, J. B. Woolley (conductor) 5, W. H. J. Hooton 6.

**MARKET DEEPING.**—At the Parish Church, for morning service, April 2nd, 720 of Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. Landon 1, A. Riggall (first in the method) 2, H. M. Day 3, H. Holmes 4, W. A. Day (conductor) 5, G. Wells 6. First 720 of Surprise as conductor.—For evening service, 420 of spliced Double and Single Bob: H. Holmes 1, H. M. Day (conductor) 2, A. Riggall 3, W. A. Day 4, J. Landon 5, G. Wells 6.

**CHELSEA.**—On Sunday, March 19th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters, in 53 mins.: C. Mitchell 1, H. H. Mance 2, W. Dean 3, G. Watkin 4, A. Newman 5, C. Otley (first quarter-peal of Stedman Caters) 6, E. Reeve 7, W. Essery 8, H. Mance (conductor) 9, W. Hewson 10.

**LITTLE WALDINGFIELD.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, March 19th, for morning service, 720 of Doubles (240 each of St. Clement's, St. Simon's and Grandsire): B. Cornell 1, H. Cornell 2, J. Martin 3, W. Head 4, V. Cornell 5. Also 240 of Stedman Doubles: 11. Day treble. Conducted by V. Cornell.—For evening service, 600 Doubles (240 each of St. Simon's and Grandsire, and 120 of Plain): W. Fayers 1, W. Head 2, P. King 3, H. Day 4, V. Cornell (conductor) 5.

**WALTHAMSTOW.**—At St. Mary's, on Sunday, March 19th, after evensong, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: Ronald Wilson 1, H. T. Scarlett 2, A. Mason (conductor) 3, J. C. Adams 4, H. F. Hull 5, R. Maynard, senr. 6, W. H. Freeman 7, G. T. Coles 8.

**ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, March 19th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,260 changes), in 52 mins.: F. Hancock 1, B. Ditcher 2, A. Tomlinson 3, J. Humphries 4, P. Jervis 5, W. Ashman 6, C. Booth 7, J. Morton (conductor) 8. Composed by R. Lathbury, and taken from 'The Ringing World' of March 11th.—For morning service, 704 Kent Treble Bob Major: F. Hancock 1, B. Ditcher 2, A. Tomlinson 3, J. Humphries 4, J. Morton (conductor) 5, W. Ashman 6, P. Jervis 7, C. Booth 8.

**NORWICH.**—On Sunday, March 12th, at St. Peter Mancroft, 364 Stedman Cinques: J. B. Burton 1, R. Hardy 2, Miss H. M. Durrant 3, Miss L. L. Bill 4, G. Claxton 5, G. Sparks 6, G. P. Burton 7, F. R. Copeman 8, F. J. Howchin 9, G. Mayers 10, G. H. Cross (conductor) 11, F. W. Curtis 12. First in the method by the ringers of the 2nd and 5th.

**BUCKNALL, STAFFS.**—On Sunday, March 12th, at St. Mary's Church, for morning service, 720 Great Totham: C. Bowen 1, C. Preston 2, Alice Preston 3, W. Wheelodon, junr. 4, W. Fradley 5, W. Wheelodon, senr. (conductor) 6. First in the method by all the band.—For evening service, 720 Lichfield Surprise by the above, conducted by Wm. Fradley.

**LINCOLN.**—On Sunday, March 12th, at the Church of St. Peter-at-Arches, for Mass, a quarter-peal (1,260) of Stedman Triples: J. W. Seamer (conductor) 1, C. McGuinness 2, H. L. Pask 3, L. Snell 4, H. Marcon 5, G. Flintham 6, J. A. Freeman 7, C. Beel 8. This quarter-peal was specially arranged for the conductor, who hails from S. Andrews, Grimsby.

**ABINGDON, BERKS.**—On Sunday, March 12th, for evening service, at St. Helen's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Hollifield 1, Mrs. A. E. Lock 2, J. Honey 3, G. Blay 4, E. Humphrey 5, F. S. Macey (conductor) 6, F. Barrett 7, A. E. Lock 8.

**STAFFORD.**—At St. Mary's Church, for morning service, on March 12th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: H. W. Jones 1, W. Wilson 2, F. Berks 3, J. Warrilow 4, F. V. Haggis 5, F. Sear 6, J. J. Taylor (conductor) 7, G. Booth 8.

**LONG STANTON.**—On Sunday, March 12th, for evensong, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. Hawkes 1, Rev. H. B. Woolley 2, F. J. Cook 3, G. Crisp 4, J. B. Woolley 5, C. W. Cook (conductor) 6.

**KIDLINGTON.**—On Sunday, March 12th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. Payne 1, F. Webb 7, J. Bowerman 3, J. Judge 4, Walter Judge 5, J. Franklin 6, L. Tuffrey (conductor) 7, W. H. Thorne 8.

**TILNEY, NORFOLK.**—At All Saints' Church, for morning service, on Sunday, March 12th 720 Bob Minor, in 30 mins.: J. Rodwell 1, W. Cousins 2, C. Cousins 3, F. Lightning 4, F. Rose (conductor) 5, W. Rose, junr. 6.

**WRITTLE, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, March 12th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (taken from Louis Head's one-part peal), in 46 mins.: J. M. Poyntz (longest length) 1, F. E. Edwards 2, T. Lincoln 3, F. G. Ridley 4, G. W. Sorrell 5, A. Heal 6, H. Head (conductor) 7, W. Lincoln 8.

**BARLEY, HERTS.**—On Sunday, March 4th, at the Parish Church, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 24 mins.: F. Hayes 1, W. Tack 2, W. Sermons 3, W. Mansfield 4, A. Howard 5, R.

Howard (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method on the bells, and by all except the ringers of 4th and 6th. First as conductor.—On Sunday, March 12th, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. Hayes 1, W. Sermons 2, W. Tack 3, W. Mansfield 4, A. Howard 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—For evensong, 720 Oxford Bob Minor, in 23 mins, with H. Howard 5th, in place of A. Howard.—On Sunday, March 19th, for evening service, 720 College Single: N. Hayes 1, W. Sermons 2, W. Tack 3, W. Mansfield 4, H. Howard 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, March 26th, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. Tack 1, W. Sermons 2, H. Howard 3, W. Mansfield 4, A. Howard 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.

**WOBURN, BEDS.**—On February 19th, at St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major: Cyril Herbert (conductor) 1, Chas. Matthews 2, David Jones 3, Ernest Herbert 4, S. Avis 5, H. D. Harris 6, Edmund Hobbs 7, Horace Smith 8. Rung on the occasion of His Grace the Duke of Bedford's birthday.

## USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

1,277 GRANDSIRE CATERS.

660 STEDMAN CINQUES.

23456		231456	
42356978	1-4	521435	1-2-4-7-9-11
32654	89	412536	1-3-5-8-10
63254	9 in 3	342516	2-4-7-9-11
35264	8 in 3	524316	1-3-5-8-10
25463	89	154326	2-4-7-9-11
45362	89	345126	1-3-5-8-10
34562	9 in 3	235146	2-4-7-9-11
53462	9 in 3	153248	1-3-5-8-10
43265	89	413256	2-4-7-9-11
24365	9 in 3	231456	3-5-8-10
32465	9 in 3		
42563	89		

J. S. PRITCHETT.

Round by 9 in and out at 2.

R. F. DEAL.

## GREAT ST. MARY'S, CAMBRIDGE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir.—In reply to 'Plain Bob,' re the cracked bell at Great St. Mary's, Cambridge, he is quite right. Apathy of the Ancient Society of Cambridge Youths who control the tower, coupled with the rotten system of £ s. d. for the ringing, which is done there only on that basis. Previous to 1914 I commenced cycling over to Cambridge for a practice at Great St. Mary's, hoping to find a band where one could learn; and they used to stand down in the street and debate whether they should go up or not, with the result it was more often 'not.' Cambridge, which should be the live wire of ringing in the association, is a dead letter. The various clergy always seem to find the £ s. d. to decorate the east end of the church, but the west end is very often a dustbin for any rubbish that may accumulate.—Yours truly,

R. LATHBURY.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WESTERN DIVISION MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Western Division was held at St. Margaret's, Angmering, on Saturday, April 1st, members being present from Arundel, Brighton, Henfield, Shoreham, Kirdford Heene, and the local band.

Various methods were rung during the afternoon and the company, at the invitation of the Rector (the Rev. T. H. Pearson) partook of tea at the church rooms. An excellent repast was provided, to which the members did full justice.

The business meeting followed, the Rector taking the chair, supported by his churchwarden (Mr. O. Chaplin).

The Rector having given a short address of welcome to the association, Mr. A. W. Groves was re-elected hon. secretary, and Messrs. H. Stallham, P. Doick and E. H. Lindup were again elected to the committee for the ensuing year.—The committee of advice was also re-elected, viz. Messrs. W. Charman, J. Burdfield and T. Burtenshaw.

Five new members were elected: Messrs. L. West, C. Smart and W. Wadey, from Angmering; and Messrs. R. Birch and E. Jarvis, from Arundel.—It was proposed to hold the next meeting at Billingshurst in June.

The Secretary, after making his report, expressed regret at the recent loss of two respected members of the division, by the death of Mr. G. Garland, of Steyning, and Mr. T. Lindfield, of Angmering. As a mark of respect to their memory the company present stood in silence.

A vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for presiding, and also for providing the excellent tea.—Thanks were also given to Mr. Chaplin for supporting him.

After the meeting the company again visited the bells which were kept going till 8 o'clock in various methods.

It was the opinion of those present that these bells were sadly in need of the attention of a bell hanger.

# NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, second Monday, and St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery.—The Annual Meeting will be held at Shepton Mallet on April 8th. Those requiring tea should notify me by April 5th. Shepton Mallet and Douling bells are available from 3 p.m.—J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., *pro tem*.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—A meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, Hackington, Canterbury, on Saturday, April 8th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Will all those requiring tea notify me not later than Tuesday, April 4th?—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The Monthly meeting will be held at Penistone, Saturday, April 8th. Bells ready early.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Tarleton on April 8th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30. A good attendance is requested.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held on April 8th at Braughing, the bells will be available during the afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at 1/- per head. Business meeting after. All ringers and friends will be heartily welcome.—W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dist. Sec., Little Munden.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held at Shore on Saturday, April 8th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practices, Mondays, at 7.30 p.m.: Bishopsgate, April 10th; Wilton Road, April 24th. Sundays at 10 a.m.: St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Slough.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus on the 13th and 27th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 18th and Southwark Cathedral on the 25th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Ashford on Easter Monday, April 17th. The S.E.R. Co. will convey parties of not less than twelve at a single fare and a third. The form of application for reduced fares can be obtained from the Hon. Sec., also dinner tickets (1s. each). For either or both apply soon.—Fred. J. O. Helmore, Hon. Sec., Canterbury.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The Annual meeting of the association will be held at Burton-on-Trent on Easter Monday, April 17th. The committee will meet in St. Paul's Institute at 2.30. There will be a service in St. Paul's Church at 3.15. A meat tea, at 2/6 per head, will be ready at 4 o'clock in St. Paul's Institute, to be followed immediately by the General Annual Meeting of the Association. The times for ringing have been fixed as under: Parish Church and St. Paul's Church, 10 to 3 and 6 to 8 o'clock; St. Mark's Church, Winhill, 12 to 3 and 6 to 8 o'clock. Owing to Bank Holiday, very special arrangements have to be made for tea, and the local committee wish me to make it very clear that it will be impossible to provide tea in the Institute except for those who give notice of their intention to be present to Mr. J. Griffin, Local Hon. Sec., 11, Shobnall Street, Burton-on-Trent, not later than first post on Thursday, April 13th.—Alfred C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Cambridge on Easter Monday. A start will be made at 10 o'clock at the Roman Catholic Church, also Great St. Mary's and Great St. Andrew's bells will be available all day. There will be a committee meeting for officers of the association at Great St. Mary's Vestry, followed by service in the church at 12 o'clock. Lunch (2/6) at the Dorothy Cafe, Sidney Street, followed by the meeting. Notice of motion to reach the General Secretary ten days before that date. It is hoped as many as possible will attend.—V. Shorter, Gen. Sec., 3, Pembroke Street, Cambridge.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—Will members of this district who intend to go to Ashford on Easter Monday send their names to me as soon as possible, as I have a quotation for a charabanc; twenty-eight required? Names must be sent early to secure the vehicle.—T. Groombridge, Hon. Dist. Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Carlton in Cleveland on Easter Monday next, April 17th. Bells (8) available all day. Dinner in the School Room at 1 p.m. Service in the Church at 3 p.m. Those intending to be at Dinner must notify the Hon. Secretary not later than Monday, April 10th, or will not be provided for.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A General meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Pontefract on Easter Monday, April 17th. By the kindness of the respective Vicars, the bells at the Parish Church (10) and All Saints' Church (8) will be available for ringing throughout the day. Tea will be provided at a charge of 1/10 per head, and all applications for same must reach Mr. A. Walker, 7, Southfield Avenue, Pontefract, not later than Tuesday, April 11th. The annual report will be on sale at this meeting.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Cathedral and St. Peter's towers open at 2 p.m., St. Stephen's and St. Michael's at any time, by arrangement. Service in the Cathedral 5 p.m. Meat tea 6 p.m. in Abbey Institute, followed by business meeting. Let your Secretary know if you are coming to tea.—G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec., Duffield, St. Albans.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Bedford on Easter Monday, April 17th. The bells of St. Paul's (10) and St. Peter's (6) will be available from 9.30 a.m. Service in St. Paul's at 12 noon. Preacher: The Rev. Guy Beech, Rector of Turvey. Luncheon in the Drill Hall, St. Loyes, at 1 p.m., to be followed by the Business meeting. Members of kindred societies will be heartily welcomed.—Arthur E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street North, Dunstable.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Berks and Bucks Branch.—The Annual meeting of this Branch will be held at Wooburn, Bucks (Bourne End Station), on Easter Monday. Service at Parish Church at 4.30 p.m. Tea in the Parish Hall (adjoining) at 5.15, and business meeting at 6 p.m. The following towers will be open for visitors and friends: Slough 10-11, Cookham 12-1, Beaconsfield 10-11 and High Wycombe 11 to 1 p.m. Road motor cars available and Great Western and Great Central trains. The 'Welcome' Tavern at Wooburn will provide a cold luncheon (1s. 6d. per head) at 1 o'clock, if ordered four days previously. Please advise the Secretary how many will be present.—W. H. Fussell, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**DEVON GUILD.**—East Devon Branch.—Meeting will be held at Colyton on Easter Monday. Service, Parish Church 4 p.m.; tea, Church Hall 4.30 and meeting 5.15 p.m. Bells available throughout the day. All ringers welcome. Many towers in district open for the day. For particulars apply to John H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec., Ottery St. Mary.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 17th. Business meeting in the Cathedral Chapter House at 2.30 prompt. Chairman, The Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D., President. Service in the Cathedral at 4.15 p.m. Address by the Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D., Dean. Tea will be provided at 5.15 p.m. for all those who notify me before Wednesday, April 12th. As the allowance will not cover cost, a small charge will be made. Bells available: Cathedral (12), 1 to 2 p.m.; All Saints' (10), St. Helen's (8), St. Nicholas (6) and St. John-in-Bedwardine (6). Subscriptions should be paid, and Reports obtained, in St. Helen's Church House between 12 noon and 1 p.m.—J. R. Newman, Hon. Sec., Sheepcote, Severn Stoke, Worcester.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Suffolk Branch.—A General meeting will be held on Easter Monday, April 17th. By permission of the Revs: Garrett and Wood, the bells of Helmingham and Framdsen will be available throughout the day. Business meeting to follow Dinner, which will be served at the White Hart, Otley, at 1.30 p.m., 3/6 per head. Members intending to be present at dinner please notify me not later than Monday, April 10th. Buses passing Helmingham Church leave Ipswich 10.30 a.m., Debenham, 9 a.m.—E. Evans, Hon. Branch Sec., 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—The Annual meeting of the Division will be held at Ditchling on Easter Monday. Tower open at 2. Service 4.30. Tea (by kind invitation) at 5. Business meeting to follow. Keymer tower will also be open from 1 till 4, and in the evening. Secretaries are asked to notify the undersigned not later than Tuesday, April 11th, how many will be present from their towers.—A. D. Stone, Hon. Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Dorking on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30; tea 5 o'clock. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. H. White, Pinehurst, Mickleham, Dorking, not later than Wednesday, April 12th?—A. J. Trappit, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Isle of Wight District.—Postponed meeting of Feb. 4th will take place on Easter Monday at Brading. Bells available 2.30. Service 4. Tea and business meeting 4.30. All requiring tea please notify by 7th April.—W. Upton, 10, Elm Grove, Newport, I.W., Hon. Dist. Sec.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Norwich Diocesan Branch.—A General meeting of this Branch will be held at Wymondham on Easter Monday, April 17th. By kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. S. Martin-Jones, M.A.), the ring of 8 bells of the Parish Church will be available. Luncheon will be served at the Green Dragon Hotel at 1 o'clock, tickets 3/6 each; followed by the general business meeting for the election of officers, etc. Members are earnestly requested to notify to the Secretary not later than Thursday, April 13th, their intention of being present at the luncheon.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Melksham on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells (8) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Business meeting immediately after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting and 8-bell contest will take place at Birstall on Saturday, April 22nd. Draw 2.30. For entries and tea tickets write to H. Peel, 2, Cross Street, Birstall, not later than Monday, April 17th.—W. Frith, Secretary.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Cobham on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells available from 3 to 9. Further particulars later.—Fred. M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—The next meeting will be held at Greenstead Green on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells ready 3 p.m. Short Service 4 o'clock, followed by tea at Hare and Hounds, 9d. each, to all sending word not later than April 20th to H. F. Cooper, Dist. Master, Red Lion, Stisted, near Braintree, Essex.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-East Branch.—A meeting will take place at Holcombe Rogus (6) on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 4.45. Tea in the schoolroom at 5.15. Will those who require tea kindly notify me by the previous Tuesday?—Rev. E. V. Cox, Local Hon. Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Odiham on Saturday, April 22nd. Tower open 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45, 6d. per head will be allowed towards the cost of tea to all members informing me not later than April 15th.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dis. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual General meeting will be held at St. John-the-Baptist, Hillingdon, on Saturday, April 22nd. Service at 5 p.m. with address by



the Vicar (Rev. H. J. Kitcat). Tea and business meeting to follow in the Church Hall. The cost of the tea will be 1s. per head, and as a guarantee of 50 has to be given, all who intend being present should advise either of the undersigned not later than April 18th. The ringing arrangements are as follows: St. John's (10) from 3.5 p.m. and after the meeting, St. Andrew's (8) from 3.15 to 4.40 and afterwards until 9.15. Members are urgently requested to attend.—C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, E.17, and W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4, Hon. Secs.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual festival will be held at Lyme Regis on Saturday, April 29th. Meeting at 2 p.m. Service 3.30. Tea 4.30. Further particulars to be announced.—F. L. Edwards, Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Solihull, Saturday, April 29th. Bells available 3.30. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea and meeting afterwards. Gentlemen invited. Names to be sent in by April 25th to Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Patron: The Right Rev. The Lord Bishop. President: The Ven. Archdeacon Farmiloe. Secretary for Archdeaconry of Sudbury: Rev. R. L. Gardner, Rector of Chelsworth, Ipswich. Secretary for Archdeaconry of Suffolk: Mr. Charles Mee, Sproughton, Ipswich.—A meeting for the whole Diocese will be held in St. Mary-le-Tower Church House, Ipswich, on Saturday, April 29th, at 3 p.m. Bells available from 2 p.m., at St. Mary-le-Tower, St. Margaret's, St. Clement's, and St. Matthew's. All Suffolk ringers are invited to this meeting, so that any opinion may be expressed before the organisation is finally settled. The business will be to finally pass the rules, and arrange the programme for 1922. The subscription (for 1922) was due on January 1st; it is 2s. each for clergy and ringers alike, with an entrance fee of 6d. Honorary Members 5s. the first year, and 2s. 6d. in subsequent years.—Herbert Drake, Diocesan Secretary, Ufford Rectory, Woodbridge, March 28th, 1922.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

**FOR SALE.**—Set of 51 handbells; four octaves chromatic in F; F sharp and G above top F extra. What offers?—Apply, J. Leatherbarrow, 43, Wigshaw Lane, Newchurch, Warrington.

**GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX.**—On Saturday, Feb. 18th, for practice, 720 London Surprise, in 25 mins.: J. Souter 1, J. Bowell 2, C. Andrews 3, G. W. Moss 4, G. A. Andrews (conductor) 5, W. J. Nevard 8. First 720 of London by C. Andrews and G. W. Moss, who hail from Misley, Messrs. Andrews from Therrington W. J. Nevard (Great Bentley), J. Souter (Misley), Bowell (Great Bromley).

#### ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

The quarterly meeting of this Society was held at All Saints', Lower Edmonton, on Saturday, April 1st. The bells were kept going until 5.30 p.m., when tea was served in the Church Room, 24 members being present. The business meeting followed, and it was resolved to put the war memorial (to be erected in the porch at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch) in hand as soon as possible.

The next meeting will be held early in July, and the secretary was instructed to write to Beddington in the hope of holding the meeting there.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar and the helpers closed the meeting. The tower was again visited, and all methods up to London Surprise rung. A very pleasant time was spent.

**ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.**—On Tuesday, March 7th, 704 Oxford Treble Bob Major: A. Tomlinson 1, B. Ditcher 2, H. Greaves 3, J. Morton 4, J. Humphries 5, C. Booth 6, P. Jervis 7, H. Turton (conductor) 8. H. Turton and H. Greaves belong to Killamarsh, and the rest to Eckington. First in the method by all except the ringers of the 3rd and tenor.

## ALFRED BOWELL, CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**

LIMITED.

**COVENTRY.**

MAKERS SINCE 1730.

#### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

#### CHEAP PRINTING.

PEAL CARDS, 3/6 doz. Report Books, Stationery, Balance Sheets, and all classes of General and Commercial Printing at lowest prices. Send stamped envelope for new price list of printing, and support your fellow ringers.

**GOOD BROS.**

31, PRESTONVILLE ROAD, BRIGHTON.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowden Series.

REVISED PRICES.

- ROPE-SIGHT,** 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.
- GRANDSIRE,** 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.
- STANDARD METHODS,** 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.
- STEDMAN,** 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. F. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.
- TREBLE BOB,** 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.
- PART II.**—At present out of print.
- DOUBLE NORWICH OR B. MAJOR.**—Out of print at present.
- All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKINS, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	...	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section III (Double Norwich) ...	1	0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Half Hard Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price ...	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
Silversmith,  
**WORKING**  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON. Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6

Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TELEPHONE 171 WORKING  
**WORKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 578. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, APRIL 14th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### ASSOCIATIONS AND THE COUNCIL.

No fewer than ten of the principal associations hold general meetings next week—chiefly on Easter Monday—and two or three others will follow with similar gatherings of members before the end of the month. We shall be interested to see whether any single question is raised at these twelve or more gatherings—which include meetings of some of the leading ringing organisations—that will provide anything for the Agenda of the Central Council. Very seldom indeed does an association send a resolution to the Council for consideration, which seems to be viewed as a body apart, instead of being treated as an integral and, indeed, a pivotal part of ringing organisation. When ringers speak of the Central Council, they not infrequently refer to it as a more or less useless body, apparently oblivious of the fact that it should be their business to make it a live wire in the constitution of the Exercise. Ringers must, at least, have some ideas as to the manner in which the Council could be of service, and they ought not to hesitate to ventilate these views in their own associations, so that the subjects could go eventually to the Council for consideration and decision.

Up to the present, we believe, there are no notices of motion for the Council's Agenda for the Lincoln meeting, but the forthcoming association general meetings ought to be able to, and we hope will, provide suitable topics for debate at the Whitsun gathering. The absence of any such resolutions does not mean that the Council will have no business to transact; indeed, there is always a considerable amount of work provided for the members from inside the Council, such as the reports of the Committees. At the same time it would show that the Council's position as the hub of the Exercise was more widely realised if, from the initiative and interest of the rank and file of the ringing organisations, subjects of general interest could be sent up.

What all those who have the wider interests of ringing at heart desire to see, is a closer community between the Council and the associations; and in this there is room for advance by the Council itself, as well as by the affiliated bodies. One step which we hope will be taken at the next meeting of the Council is so to amend the constitution that the Council will thereafter officially communicate its business to the associations after each meeting. At present it is left to the representatives to report to their associations, and if an association happens not to be represented, or to be represented by someone who is unable to attend the meeting of his own association afterwards, nothing comes officially before the association as to any decision taken. There is, of course, the report of the pro-

(Continued on page 226.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## MESSRS. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

ceedings which appears in our columns, and long afterwards the official minutes appear; but neither of these has just the same importance as would be attached to a direct communication from the Council. Perhaps the Standing Committee could best take the necessary step to give effect to the suggestion, which, we believe, would go far to tighten up the relationship between the central and the attached bodies; but it is equally open to a private member to move in the matter. As things at present stand, none of the decisions are communicated through the officials, and this could easily nullify to a large extent the work of the Council.

### TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Four Hours and Three Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-BOW, CHEAPSIDE,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANCES;**

Tenor 53 cwt.

HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. Treble	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 8
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 9
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 10
WILLIAM HEVETT ... .. 5	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 11
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 6	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

### TEN BELL PEAL.

OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE OXFORD SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, April 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
At NEW COLLEGE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5039 CHANCES;**

Tenor 20 cwt. 3 qr.

THOMAS PAYNE ... .. Treble	† WILLIAM HARRIS ... .. 6
* FRANCIS TAYLOR ... .. 2	VICTOR J. F. BENNETT ... .. 7
* MRS. A. E. LOCK ... .. 3	* GORDON CAUDWELL ... .. 8
WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS ... 4	HARRY MILES ... .. 9
ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 5	REGINALD PLAISTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by Dr. A. B. CARPENTER. Conducted by HARRY MILES.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal on ten bells. First peal of Stedman Caters as conductor. A birthday compliment to the conductor.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, March 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANCES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... .. Treble	J. ARNIGER TROLLOPE ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 2	HARRY KILBY ... .. 6
* GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 3	† FREDERICK H. CROOK ... .. 7
THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 4	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

\* 50th peal. † First peal of Cambridge Surprise.

LINTON, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

ALBERT E. GASSON ... .. Treble	LOUIS HEAD ... .. 5
CHARLES H. SOBE ... .. 2	HARRY COAST ... .. 6
THOMAS MANNERING ... .. 3	LEONARD MANNERING ... .. 7
ERNEST SPILLER ... .. 4	LEWIS NEWMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by LOUIS HEAD.

First peal of Stedman as conductor.

## CHESTER.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Three Hours

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING ... .. Treble	FRANK FOX ... .. 5
EDWARD HARRISON ... .. 2	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. 6
WILLIAM CLARK ... .. 3	JOHN W. DAVIES ... .. 7
GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 4	† EDWARD V. RODENBURST ... Tenor

Composed by W. HARRISON.

Conducted by J. W. DAVIES.

\* First peal on eight bells. † Hails from Hodnet, Salop. Rung on the retirement of the Rev. H. Grantham, late Chairman of the Chester Branch of the Guild. This was the conductor's first peal of Bob Major as conductor, was rung at the first attempt, and on his 40th birthday.

## BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

CHARLES E. PERKINS ... .. Treble	JOHN LLOYD ... .. 5
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 2	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 6
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
JOHN BASS ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... Tenor

Composed by C. CHARGE.

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal in the method on a bob bell, and first attempt.

## IPSWICH SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr.

JAMES ROSE ... .. Treble	CHARLES PARKER ... .. 5
ALBERT FLEMING ... .. 2	PERCY MAY ... .. 6
CHARLES GILLINGHAM ... .. 3	GEORGE FLEMING ... .. 7
JOHN CROOKS ... .. 4	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by G. FLEMING.

\* First peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major.

## CHESTER.

## ST. MARY'S SOCIETY.

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN HAYES ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SCONCE ... .. 5
FRED LATHAM ... .. 2	ERNEST SMITH ... .. 6
ERNEST CHANNELL ... .. 3	GILBERT GERRARD ... .. 7
JAMES SWINDLEY ... .. 4	ARTHUR G. WATKIN ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by WILLIAM SCONCE.

Rung as a farewell peal to the Rev. H. Grantham on his retirement, he having been Rector of the parish for 40 years, and for 35 years Garrison Chaplain.

## WALTHAMSTOW, N.E.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

CHARLES A. HUGHES ... .. Treble	WILLIAM PYE ... .. 5
WALTER STRED ... .. 2	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 6
ERNEST D. LILLYWHITE ... .. 3	HERBERT WOOD ... .. 7
HAROLD A. EDWARDS ... .. 4	GEORGE B. LUCAS ... Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR MASON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of deep respect to the memory of the late Arthur T. King, I.S.O., President of the above Association. This was rung on the 23rd anniversary of the 15,072 Double Norwich Major.

## EWELL, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in F sharp.

* CHARLES E. READ ... .. Treble	JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 5
† ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. JOINER ... .. 6
JOHN BEAMS ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by A. H. WINCH.

\* First peal of Double Norwich. † First peal in the method as conductor.

## BARKING, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 22½ cwt. E flat.

HENRY E. PARKER ... .. Treble	EDWARD H. KING ... .. 5
WILLIAM G. JACKSON ... .. 2	GEORGE W. FAULKNER ... .. 6
CALEB FENN ... .. 3	ERNEST G. COTTIS ... .. 7
EBENEZER ANDREWS ... .. 4	ALBERT C. HARDY ... Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN.

Conducted by CALEB FENN.

Rung in honour of the marriage of Miss Amy Wetherfield and Mr. Sydney Edward Barton, the ceremony having taken place a few hours previously at the above Church.

## COLEMAN'S HATCH, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ALEC. RICHARDSON ... .. Treble	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 5
OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 2	WILLIAM LATTER ... .. 6
FREDERICK WHITE ... .. 3	HERBERT MARKWELL ... .. 7
STAFFORD S. GREEN ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW. Conducted by KEITH HART.

## SAWSTON, CAMBS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

JOHN B. WOOLLEY ... .. Treble	WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... .. 5
ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... .. 2	FRED W. GOODFELLOW ... .. 6
PERCY WEBB ... .. 3	FRANK HARPER ... .. 7
ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... .. 4	REG. LATHBURY ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by ERNEST G. HIBBINS.

First peal of Major as conductor. This peal was arranged for F. W. Goodfellow, of Ealing, London, and was his first peal in the method.

## HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt. 16 lb.

FRANK H. DAVEY ... .. Treble	BEN S. THOMPSON ... .. 5
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 6
WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 3	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... .. 7
JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 4	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

Conducted by GEO. H. CROSS.

Composition C.C. Collection, No. 216, without Bobs.

BRAINTREE.—On Thursday, March 23rd, at the Parish Church with the clappers half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Bishop of Colchester, a Vice-President of the Essex Association 1,472 Kent Treble Bob Major: F. Webb 1, W. J. Sadler 2, C. H. Howard (conductor) 3, W. G. Melbourne 4, G. Lindridge 5, F. Ely 6, W. H. Hammond 7, H. J. Collins 8. — On Monday, April 3rd 720 Double Court Bob: W. G. Melbourne 1, W. J. Sadler 2, G. Lindridge 3, Geo. Wiffen 4, F. Ely 5, C. H. Howard (conductor) 6.



**SIX BELL PEALS.**

WOLLASTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, March 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*PERCY RICHARDS ... .. Treble	†CHARLES W. COOPER ... 4
WILLIAM GIBBS ... .. 2	WALTER J. BRETHERTON ... 5
JOHN BASS ... .. 3	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Minor away from the treble.

ST. IPPOLYTE, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 31, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob, College Single & Oxford Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

ERNEST J. NEWELL ... .. Treble	ERNEST W. DAY ... .. 4
MISS A. MAY DURRANT ... 2	GEO. T. CROFT ... .. 5
FRANK W. CROFT ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. CROFT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. CROFT.

KILLAMARSH, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, April 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Lightfoot, Wearmouth, Cambridge, Beverley, Chester, London and Wells. Tenor 11 cwt.

*PHILIP HIBBERD ... .. Treble	GEORGE BURNHAM ... .. 4
HARRY GREAVES ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. NERTON ... 5
T. A. HOWES SMITH ... 3	CHARLES SEVERN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES SEVERN.

\* First peal of Surprise and hails from Barlborough, Derbyshire.

LLANGARREN, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, April 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 11 cwt.

ERNEST H. DEW ... .. Treble	ARTHUR BREWER ... .. 4
WILLIAM POSTON ... .. 2	HENRY WEALE ... .. 5
JOHN BREWER ... .. 3	JOHN F. DULLAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

Rung half-muffled, after the dedication of a stained glass window, placed in the church as a memorial to the men of the parish who lost their lives in the War.

THORNHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Beverley, Cambridge, Durham, Hull, London, Wells and York.

EDWARD YOUNGS ... .. Treble	ALPHEUS BERRY ... .. 4
WILLIAM CLOVER ... .. 2	ERNEST POPPY ... .. 5
GEORGE BROWN, JUN. ... 3	JAMES BETTS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST POPPY.

Rung in honour of the 28th anniversary of Mr. E. Young's wedding day. The ringers of 1, 2 and 4 are from Thornham, three from Mellis, 5 from Stoke Ash, and 6 from Wetheringsett.

HAYES, KENT.—On Thursday, March 9th, for Confirmation service, 720 Plain Minor: B. Grandfield 1, H. Reader (conductor) 2, J. Hack 3, G. Harwood 4, H. Brown 5, J. Brown 6. Also 720 Bob Minor: J. Grandfield 1, H. Reader 2, O. Gilbey 3, F. Keech 4, H. Brown 5, J. Hack (conductor) 6.—On February 13th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. First in the method by J. Grandfield.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

BIRMINGHAM.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, March 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
IN THE CATHEDRAL TOWER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

†GEORGE F. SWANN ... 1—2	THOMAS RUSSAM ... 7—8
ALBERT WALKER ... 3—4	*ALBERT E. NORMAN ... 9—10
PERCY O. LAFLIN ... 5—6	JOHN NEAL ... 11—12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT E. NORMAN.

Referee, MR. M. J. MORRIS.

† 100th peal on Handbells, 60 of which were 12-bell peals.

\* First peal on 12 bells as conductor, and first attempt at calling Stedman Cinques.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Sunday, April 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
AT GLYN GARTH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Size 13 in E.

JOHN W. WOOD ... 1—2	F/SGT. F. A. HOLDEN ... 5—6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 3—4	TOM TEBBUTT ... 7—8

Composed by F.-SGT. F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by R. RICHARDSON.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Monday, April 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 18 in G.

MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... 1—2	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3—4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... 7—8

Conducted by A. H. PELLING.

Witness: MRS. A. H. PULLING.

CAMBRIDGE.  
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
IN TRINITY COLLEGE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;**

WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... 1—2	JOHN B. WOOLLEY ... 5—5
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY ... 3—4	T. REGINALD DENNIS ... 7—8

Conducted by JOHN B. WOOLLEY.

First peal of Major as conductor.

BIRMINGHAM.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, April 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5010 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

ALBERT WALKER ... 1—2	THOMAS RUSSAM ... 7—8
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... 3—4	PERCY O. LAFLIN ... 9—10
GEORGE F. SWANN ... 5—6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... 11—12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.  
Referee, J. NEAL.

Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Percy O. Laflin and Albert E. Norman. This peal has the first 24 courses in the Tittums position, in 4 course blocks, with the 5th twelve times right and the 6th eighteen times right, also the 6th fourteen times behind the 8th in the handstroke home position.

**Bell Ropes**

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

**GREAT REDUCTIONS.**

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**

### THE LATE MR. A. T. KING.

At Isleworth, on Friday, March 31st, with the bells muffled, as a mark of respect to the late President of the Middlesex Association, the whole pull and stand was rung, after which the Rev. Summerfield, in the tower, gave a short address, referring to the loss which the Association had sustained, and to Mr. King's high character and his work. Two 360's Bob Minor were rung by Messrs. E. Webb, W. Lidbetter, F. Goddard, T. Beadle, A. Beckensale, W. H. Hollier and H. Brooks.

On Sunday, April 2nd, for morning service, at St. John the Baptist's Church, Barnet, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Arthur T. King, I.S.O., President of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild: G. Herbert 1, R. Sturgeon 2, F. J. Chandler 3, J. Sumpter 4, H. Eldred 5, F. A. Milne (conductor) 6, R. Roffey 7, J. W. Langley 8.

On Wednesday, March 29th, at St. Mary the Virgin, Monken Hadley, the bells were also rung with half-muffled clappers by Messrs. J. Wicks, G. Herbert, J. Tarling, W. Tarling, J. Sumpter and T. Lilley, Grandsire Doubles being rung.

Reference to the death of Mr. King was made at the South and West District meeting of the Middlesex Association on April 1st, as reported elsewhere.

### NEED OF A BENEVOLENT FUND.

To the Editor.

Sir,—The appeals appearing in your columns lately, for assistance to ringers and their dependants, recalls the idea of a formation of a benevolent fund, which has at various times been advocated in the ringing Press. If it could be brought about it would be a boon to all the Exercise, as it would enable needful cases to be assisted at once, instead of waiting weeks for subscription to come in. Perhaps some of the Associations this Easter, at their meetings, will find room on their agendas, so that it may be brought before ringers throughout the ringing isle.—Yours truly,

J. PUPLETT.

Benevolent Funds have been established in a few Associations, notably the Kent and Sussex, but there is scope for a much wider application of the idea.

We have to acknowledge receipt of 2s. 6d. from Mr. Puplett, towards the fund for the assistance of the widow of the late Mr. Matthew Ellmore, and contributions from the friends of the deceased are invited. They should be sent to the Editor.

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I wish to acknowledge the following sums received on behalf of the widow of the late Harry Flanders: Leytonstone Society, 8s.; Anonymous, 2s. 6d.; Messrs. W. Whitehead, 2s. 6d.; M. F. R. Hibbert, 2s.; H. W. Clark, 2s. 6d.; E. Barnett, senr., 2s. 6d.; A. Baynes, 2s. 6d.; F. C. Newman, 2s. 6d.; G. Hayden, 2s. 6d.; Wm. A. Pye, 10s.; L. A. Pye, 5s. The total received to date is 25 5s., and any further sums will be very thankfully acknowledged by yours truly,

C. T. COLES, Hon. Sec.

49, Wood Street, E.17.

### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A well-attended meeting of the Bolton Branch was held at St. George's, Bolton, on the 1st inst. Almost every tower in the branch was represented, and visitors came from Blackburn, Preston and Manchester. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob and Bob Major were brought round. The business part of the meeting was presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. Canon H. J. Elsee, President of the Association). Two new members were elected from St. Bartholomew's.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at St. Mary's, Reane.

### ELLAND SOCIETY ENTERTAINED.

Through the kind hospitality of Mr. William Dobson, of Elland, the members of St. Mary's Church Society, together with a few Huddersfield brother ringers, were entertained to a most substantial repast at the Mexboro' Arms, Elland, on Thursday evening. An adjournment was made to the tower, where two short courses of Kent Treble Bob Major were rung by the following: J. Barraclough 1, G. H. Simon 2, A. Armitage 3, C. Hollas 4, W. Brearley 5, W. Frith 6, E. Carter (conductor) 7, A. Carter 8.

During the evening the company were entertained by Mr. Edgar Carter and Mr. Allan Carter with songs, with intervals of handbell ringing by others.—A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Dobson and other gentlemen present for the enjoyable evening they had provided, and to Mrs. Brier, the hostess, for the excellent manner in which the company had been catered for. The hope was expressed for the function to be an annual affair, as it had been previously for 50 years back, before the war caused the dinner to be abandoned.

### BRISTOL—AN ANALYSIS.

By A. YORK-BRAMBLE.

From time to time there arises a controversy on the subject of the extension of this or that particular method. Many variations are produced, some obviously 'foreign,' others apparently 'native.' There follows a great division of opinion, and, as a result the inevitable shelving of the question until some later expression of view opens it up again. Now what is the cause of this failure to reach an incontrovertible decision? Apparently it is that the principles underlying the construction of the method have not been determined. Now, in the absence of a statement, by the original author of a method, as to what constituted his principles of construction, we are left to adopt a retrograde process; and from the original example of the application of his general principles of construction, we have to determine what those principles were. Failure to apply this process logically and mathematically leads to the discovery of—well, not the basic principles; but a means of producing a so-called 'extension' of that original example of 'method.' But the basic principles, once determined, will provide the truly 'scientific' extension of the method upwards; and will be such that, if properly expressed, they will enable the novice to produce extensions (true) forthwith, and without difficulty. Further, if any so-called 'extension' be found to vary from what these basic principles produce for us, then it cannot be the extension proper. Before proceeding with our investigation for these principles in the particular case of 'Bristol,' however (as is our intention), it will be advisable to make quite sure of our ground up to this point; although we may be stating nothing really 'new' in so doing.

First of all, then, what do we understand by a 'method'? It is generally accepted that a method is a modified form of 'principle,' in which one unit has a simple 'path' (the treble—either plain hunt or T.B. hunt), while all the other units have the same (and a more complex) path. But what, after all, is a 'principle' (e.g., Stedman) in this sense? It is simply a practical way of expressing certain mathematical facts regarding the Laws of Permutation; by means of changed order of sounds in the belfry, and by a graphical representation in symbols on paper. All the units to be permuted, or changed in successive order, obey the same 'regulations' (except that in the case of a 'method' proper, one unit, 'The Treble,' has a regular and symmetrical path; in relation to which, the complexities in the paths of the other units stand definitely fixed). Hence it is that these 'regulations' may be expressed, in general form relatively to the position of the 'exempt' unit (the Treble bell) amongst the other units (the working bells); or, in the case of the principle proper, relatively to the recurrence of certain well-defined features. These regulations may be framed and varied at the will of the method-builder; his only restrictions being those conventions which are laid down in the 'Rules and Decisions,' as published by the Central Council. Thus it is clear that a 'method' is simply a cartographical representation of the behaviour of certain processes of mathematical permutation, when those processes are modified and restricted: (a) by certain universally accepted conventions; and (b) by variations introduced at certain relatively fixed points, at the will of the method builder. These may be called his 'Principles of Construction.'

Our next point for consideration is as to what is meant by 'extension.' First of all, we must find out whether that which we want to extend is in itself already an extension, or not, of something yet more elementary. Investigation, on the lines indicated below, will immediately give us our answer to this question; and thus it is that we can determine, eventually, the simplest (or elementary) form of expression of the 'principles of construction' on which the method is founded. In proceeding towards our conclusions we must be careful to test, step by step, the generalisations which we are deducing; even to the extent of their restricted application when the working of the 'exempt' unit (the Treble bell) is modified from T.B. hunt to plain hunt. In fine, the generalised laws will, when determined, instantly produce any extension of the method, subject to the paying of due regard to the adjustment of relative working positions, and to the admission of natural 'developmental' features.

We are now face to face with the consideration of the third, and, perhaps most vital point; that of the distinction between modes of extension in relation to (a) 'Single' methods, and (b) 'Double' methods. Again let us make quite certain of our ground. Let us examine carefully our instrument of expression—commonly called 'a lead'—let us dissect and label its component parts; and incidentally, discover their inter-relationship. For purposes of illustration let us take the lead of a Major T.B. hunt method. Now each lead is marked off from its neighbours at the 'foremost' positions of the 'regulating' unit or treble bell. This 'foremost' or leading position occupies two rows of symbols, the upper being the last row of the 'lead' above; and the lower being the first row of the lead below. Thus the division between the leads occurs between these two rows:

Lead end 1 a b c d e f g

Lead head 1 b a d e f g

—the rows being termed 'lead-end' and 'lead head' respectively.  
(To be continued).

## STEDMAN TRIPLES.

ANOTHER 'ODD AND EVEN BOB' PEAL.

Mr. A. J. Pitman, of Port Talbot, Glam., sends us the following new peal of Stedman Triples on the 'Odd and Even Bob' plan. He points out that it is composed differently to Mr. Carter's peal in the slow sixes, and is, perhaps, still more difficult to conduct. The 7th is never bobbed in or out quick.

2314567

1	3214567	4	163425	6	213546	4	426315
2	342561	8	461253	4	512463	8	324156
2	354612	6	312645	4	415632	5	146532
2	365124	8	613452	4	614325	7	145623
2	316245	4	416523	5	345261	4	641235
3	432561	4	514236	4	243615	8	246351
		8	215364	4	642153	4	342516
4	534612	6	453126	5	123564	8	561162
4	635124	8	154263	4	521643	7	541326
4	136245	4	251634	7	526134	5	316254
5	265413	4	652341	4	125346	6	462135
6	354621	7	653214	8	321465	4	164352
7	356412	4	256145	4	423651	4	361524
6	264531	4	152436	4	624513	4	563241
4	562314	4	451362	7	625431	5	231456
4	365142						

The figures to the left indicate the calling of the respective courses as below:—

1.	2	6.7.8.9.10.12.13	17
2.	2	4.5.6. 9.10	14
3.	2	5.8.6.7.8 11	
4.	2	6.7. 10.11.12	14
5.	2	6.7.8.9.10.11.12	14
6.	2	6.7.8.9 12	14
7.	2	6.7 12	14
8.	2	6.7 9.10.11	14

## HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## NORTHERN DISTRICT MEETING.

For the first time the Herts Association held a meeting at Offley, which was visited on Saturday, April 1st. Ringers assembled from Hushorne, Crawley, Barton-in-Clay, Woburn, Tring, Hitchin, and the local band. Ringing took place during the afternoon, and a capital tea was served at the Working Men's Hall.

At the meeting which followed, Miss M. A. Durrant was voted to the chair.

The Secretary read a letter of appreciation from Canon Nairne, thanking all the members for their good wishes and kind expressions on his retirement. He added he quite hopes to meet them again.

Regret was expressed at the sudden death of the late Mr. A. T. King, whose ringing activities extended to that Association, among at least a dozen other kindred associations and Guilds, and he had more than once attended meetings in the Northern district.

Thanks were returned to the Vicar for the use of the bells, to Mr. C. Monk for having the bells ready and for arranging tea, also to Miss Durrant for presiding; this being her last appearance amongst the Herts ringers before her forthcoming marriage.

Thanks for his services, and congratulations, with best wishes for her future happiness, were expressed, and brought a happy gathering to a close.

Further ringing in several Minor methods followed. The next district meeting is to be held at Barley, in May.

Offley Church tower is quite a plain red brick modern structure, originally it must have been much larger, as shown by some of its foundations which are still visible. The church is of the 14th and 15th centuries, with traces of 13th century work. Some of the old oak benches are worthy of notice, also some early stone coffins, but what struck one most were two tessellated tiles with an inscription on the south aisle wall, above which is placed another inscription stating that these tiles prove that King Offa was buried in this place.

An old chronicler, however, writes as follows, which is somewhat conflicting: 'Offa's grave was accidentally discovered in the churchyard of Hemel Hempstead. In digging a vault, the sexton, when he had excavated the earth about four feet below the surface of the ground, found his spade strike against something solid which, upon inspection, proved to be a large wrought stone, the lid of the coffin; and under it was found the coffin entire, which was afterwards taken up in perfect condition; but the bones contained therein, on being exposed to the air, crumbled to dust. On the lid of the coffin is an inscription partly defaced by time, but still sufficiently legible decidedly to prove that it contained the ashes of the celebrated Offa. The coffin is about six and a half feet long, and contains a niche or resting-place for the head, and also a groove on each side for the arms, likewise for the legs, it is curiously carved, and altogether unique of the kind.'

The chancel has been very much altered to suit some fine specimens of marble statuary placed there about 1777.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

## A YEAR OF PROGRESS.

The Midland Counties Association, which holds its annual meeting at Burton, on Monday, had an extremely successful year in 1921. The report of the committee which is to be presented to the members states that the number of members at the close of the year was 893, comprising 185 honorary and 708 ringing members. The report adds: 'It is a matter for profound satisfaction that during the past year some of the greatest names in our nobility have been added to the roll of patrons. Hitherto we have been content to acknowledge the patronage of the Bishops of the Dioceses within the area of the Association. We are now proud to add to our list the illustrious names of their Grace the Dukes of Devonshire, Portland, Argyll, the Most Hon. the Marquis Curzon, K.G., and the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Dartmouth, P.C. The patronage of the above is unique in the annals of the M.C.A., and an honour which we value highly.'

Another feature on which we can congratulate ourselves is the restoration and rehanging of bells within our area. Chief of these is the noble ring of twelve bells at St. Margaret's, Leicester. This is the first and only ring of twelve within the radius of our Association. Hitherto members of the M.C.A. have had to travel to other counties for twelve bell ringing. The privilege of ringing at St. Margaret's will be highly appreciated. The bells at St. Leodegarius, at Basford, Notts, are also an acquisition to the Nottingham district.

With regard to the performances during 1921, the progress in number of peals and also in quality have been very conspicuous, for of a total of 130 peals during the year no less than 48 have been in Surprise methods, including Yorkshire and Cambridge Royal, London, Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Major. The Yorkshire Surprise Royal rung at Chesterfield early in the year, is the first, and, to date, the only peal of Yorkshire Royal ever rung, while the Cambridge Surprise Royal at Loughborough in April, rung by a band of Leicestershire ringers, stands as the first Cambridge Royal by the Association, and we offer our congratulations to the ringers of these peals. The majority of the Cambridge Surprise Major peals during the year are to the credit of the Leicestershire men, and it is noteworthy that in most of such peals there is at least one ringer starred as 'first peal in the method.' We are glad to further congratulate the Leicestershire ringers on scoring London Surprise Major on the last day of the year at the first attempt, and so ending in a very fine manner a very excellent ringing year. Duffield Major once again appears in our list of peals—a method in which it is far from easy to score.

Double Norwich may not have been often attempted and at any rate only two peals have been recorded. We would strongly recommend this musical method to some of the bands who can ring Bob Major and Treble Bob, as in addition to its own interest it is a very helpful method towards Surprise. Grandsire Triples appears in the list twelve times, and while some of these peals are noted to show progress by new ringers we strongly recommend members not to cease their efforts at this method. The fifteen Minor peals are divided into five classes, but one of these classes contains eight peals of Bob Minor. The number of bells, of course, prevents progress beyond Minor, but on six bells there are many excellent methods to be rung; in fact, it is an open question whether Minor ringers have not a better chance of progress towards the best methods than Major ringers.

The 130 peals rung by the Association, compared with 91 in the previous year, and comprised: Yorkshire Surprise Royal 1, Cambridge Royal 3, Kent T.B. Royal 1, Bob Royal 1, Stedman Caters 3, London Surprise Major 6, Bristol 3, Cambridge 20, Superlative 15, Duffield Major 1, Double Norwich 2, Kent Treble Bob Major 12, Oxford 3, Bob Major 5, Stedman Triples 9, Grandsire Triples 12, Bob Minor 8, Minor in two to five methods 7, Doubles 18.

A monthly meeting of Hinckley district was held at Nuneaton, on Saturday, March 4th, and was well attended by members and friends from Croft, Coventry, Burbage, Earl Shilton, Hinckley, South Wigston, Little Wigston, and Nuneaton. The bells were made good use of in Grandsire Doubles, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise.

The business meeting was held at the Ringers' Meeting Room, Mr. C. H. Webb presiding. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Sapcote.

Thanks were accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the Nuneaton friends for having things in readiness.

Courses of Grandsire Triples, Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Caters on the handbells brought a pleasant meeting to a close.

WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE.—Lancashire Association.—On Monday, March 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 44 mins.: A. Potter 1, J. Worthington 2, B. Welsby 3, J. Denner 4, J. Denner 5, A. Burton 6, J. Potter (conductor) 7, R. Denner 8. Rung for the coming-of-age of Miss E. V. White, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. White.—On Saturday, March 11th, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise (1,344 changes): J. Leatherbarrow 1, R. F. Deal 2, T. B. Worsley 3, G. Pownall 4, R. Wallwork 5, T. Barlow 6, J. Potter (conductor) 7, A. F. Bailey 8.

**A RUGBY MEMORIAL 'QUARTER.'**

An interesting quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled, by St. Andrew's Society, at the Parish Church, Rugby, on Sunday, March 12th, to commemorate the unveiling of the town's memorial to those who fell in the great war, and upon which, amongst the names inscribed, is that of Corpl. R. W. Jesson, R.F.A., S.C.M., a former member of the society, who made the supreme sacrifice.

The ringers taking part were all ex-Service men, and members of the society: F. E. Wheeler, R.A.O.C., 1, A. G. Grant, R.E., 2, F. Rice, R.F.A., 3, C. W. Wheeler, R.A.S.C., 4, C. E. Joynes, K.R.R., 5, L. Bramall, R.W.R., 6, W. Malins, W.R., 7, S. Hopcraft, R.E., 8.

**5040 PRINCESS MARY SURPRISE ROYAL.**

23456 M W H

52436	—	—	—
63425	—	—	—
24536	—	—	—
32546	—	—	—
43526	—	—	—
62534	—	—	—
35426	—	—	—
42356	—	—	—
54326	—	—	—
25346	—	—	—
34256	—	—	—
53246	—	—	—
45236	—	—	—
23456	—	—	—

Contains the 6th, the full extent at home, and 2nd and 3rd never in that position. **ARTHUR CRAVEN.**

**LAVENHAM.**—On Saturday evening, March 25th, at the Church of S.S. Peter and Paul, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): M. Symonds 1, F. Leeks 2, F. Turner 3, S. H. Symonds 4, F. Mortlock 5, A. Symonds 6, W. R. J. Poulson (conductor) 7, F. Poulson 8. Also 672 Bob Major: W. R. J. Poulson 1, F. Leeks (conductor) 2, F. Turner 3, A. Proctor (Finborough) 4, F. Mortlock 5, W. J. Roper 6, S. H. Symonds 7, A. Symonds 8. First quarter-peal of Stedman as conductor by J. Poulson, and first time as conductor in Bob Major by F. Leeks.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
**SOUTH AND WEST DISTRICT.**

A meeting of the South and West District was held at Heston on Saturday, April 1st, and during the afternoon touches in various methods from Grandsire and Stedman up to Cambridge Surprise were rung. A service was held, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. — Wilkinson), his daughter presiding at the organ.—The Vicar, in his address, paid a high tribute to the late esteemed President of the Association (Mr. A. T. King) for his earnest and painstaking work, for which he was held in high respect by all the members.

As an act of reverence, all members rose from their seats, and, while the organist played a verse of the hymn, 'Days and moments quickly flying,' remained with their heads bowed. It was a most impressive incident.

Tea and business meeting followed in the Church Hall, the Vicar presiding, supported by Mr. H. A. Sawyer (churchwarden), when, in addition to disposing of routine matters, a vote of condolence was passed to Mrs. King and family on their sad bereavement.

Mr. Sawyer was elected an honorary member, and one ringing member was elected.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar, churchwarden and organist, and the meeting closed.

The tower of St. Paul's, Hounslow, was opened after tea, and the bells were kept going at both churches till 9 p.m., nearly 50 members being present.

**MR. ARTHUR DEAN'S 200 PEALS.**

Grandsire Triples	62	Conducted 14
Grandsire Caters	27	Conducted 8
Oxford Bob Triples	4	
Stedman Triples	25	
Stedman Caters	13	
Bob Major	30*	Conducted 11
Bob Royal	2	Conducted 1
Kent Treble Bob Major	24	Conducted 1
Oxford Bob Major	1	
Kent Treble Bob Royal	7	
Double Norwich Major	4	
Cambridge Surprise Royal	1	

Total ..... 200 Conducted 35

\* Including 10.208.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE**

**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

As there is certain to be a large number of touches for publication after the Easter Festival, we hope those responsible for sending in these reports will do so on Monday. Only those which reach us on Tuesday morning can be guaranteed insertion. Reports of peals rung on Monday should also be posted the same night.

Next Friday is the anniversary of the existing Treble Twelve record, which was rung at Ashton-under-Lyne on April 17th, 1911. The peal was 12,240 in the Kent variation, composed and conducted by Mr. Sam Wood. The tenor was rung by Mr. James George, and the time was 8 hrs. 31 mins.

It was on the same day of the month, but in the year 1820, that a previous long length of Kent Treble Twelve was rung. Then known as 'New' Treble Bob, 7,200 was brought round at St. Martin's, Birmingham, in 5 hrs. 8 mins.

The long peal of Double Norwich at Romford in 1894, to which we have recently referred in these columns, was rung on April 18th, so that the anniversary falls on Tuesday next. This 13,440 was rung in 8 hrs. 16 mins., after an attempt about three weeks previously at Brentford, when a rope broke after more than 13,000 changes had been rung.

Only two members of the band, we believe, survive, Messrs. Ben Foskett, the 'father' of the Cumberlands, and Mr. Edwin Barnett, senr. The latter writes to point out that the peal was not composed by Mr. Henry Dains, as we mentioned, but by Mr. George Newson, who also conducted it from the tenor.

Many long peals have been rung at the famous Fainswick tower, and one of the earliest was on April 18th, 1737—a 12,006—Grandsire Caters, in 7 hrs. 55 mins.

It was on April 18th, 1916, that Sir Arthur Heywood died.

The first peal of Cumberland Exercise Major was rung on April 16th, 1838—5,600 at Birstall, Yorks.

That promising young ringer, Mr. Albert E. Norman, of Birmingham, has called a peal of Stedman Cinques on handbells at the first attempt. He is only 19 years of age, and his ringing performances already include many peals in the higher methods up to Cambridge Maximus.

We understand that a long peal of Stedman Caters (21,000 changes) is to be attempted at Appleton on April 22nd, but at the time of writing no official notification of this attempt upon the existing record has been received.

## REAL DOUBLE SUPERLATIVE.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I had not intended to take up your valuable space by writing further on this subject, but Mr. Dexter's last letter calls for a reply. He raises the question of the 'courage of my own conviction,' which conviction he infers from my last letter. He evidently also takes me for a man of money, and as keenly interested in the Leicester Infirmary as he is. Let me confess at once. When a gentleman of Mr. Dexter's knowledge and experience is willing to stake so much on the truth of his productions, I dare not accept his challenge.

Apart from this, I fail to see why he considers that I should beat £10 to 'nothing' on what he can or cannot do.—Yours sincerely,  
Sunderland, April 8th, 1922. JOSEPH W. PARKER.

Dear Sir,—I can fully vouch for the accuracy of the statement that the St. Martin's band of ringers at Leicester have been practising the above, because a year ago last October I was staying at Mr. Dexter's, and saw his diagram of the method, and after he explained it all to me I said I thought I could go and ring it with them. What he said cannot be printed. What Beethoven is to music, Dexter is to change ringing.—Yours,  
16, Hare Street, Grimsby. H. RUSHBY.

## EASTER AND VISITORS TO LONDON.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—A comment upon my letter of a year ago was 'yes, but where is the visiting ringer to go?' I would suggest the following for Easter Day, viz.: St. Paul's Cathedral 9.40 a.m., leave at 10.20 for either St. Andrew's, Holborn, or St. Clement Danes Strand (ringing 10.15 to 10.55), thence to St. Martin's-in-the-Fields Charing Cross. Ringing 11.5 to 11.30. Our visitor will now saunter down Whitehall, pass the Cenotaph, and finally enjoy the sound of the Abbey bells, ringing after service.

With the exception of the latter tower, there would be every likelihood of a 'pull' for a good ringer.—Yours faithfully

'TEMPLE BAR.'

COGGESHALL, ESSEX.—The Suffolk Diocesan Association. — On Saturday, March 11th, at St. Peter ad Vincula Church, 1,120 London Surprise Major: P. Langston 1, W. Sadler 2, W. Keeble (conductor) 3, F. Claydon 4, A. Shuffelbotham 5, W. Elliott 6, E. W. Beckwith 7, A. Saunders 8. Longest length in the method by the Association, and by ringers of the 6th and tenor.

**THE SUFFOLK CONTROVERSY.***To the Editor.*

Sir,—May I be permitted a few remarks on the controversy going on between the ringers of East and West Suffolk. It is generally known that until recent years Ipswich and East Suffolk came within the Diocese of Norwich, and St. Edmundsbury and West Suffolk in the Diocese of Ely—hence these two Associations. Now we have the new Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, with the Cathedral Church of St. James, with its fine old Norman tower and grand peal of bells, at Bury St. Edmunds. As trade follows the flag so should Suffolk ringers follow their Bishop—with their Association of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich for the county of Suffolk; leaving out Norwich for the county of Norfolk—thus one county to each Association. The officials of the Ely Diocesan Association, whilst realising the loss of support the cutting off of this large slice of their Diocese would mean, were sportsmen enough to release the West Suffolk members (if they wished it), and wished them every success in forming their new Association. I would suggest that the members of the Norwich Association should do likewise. There is ample work for the two Associations in these two large counties of Norfolk and Suffolk. Mr. G. P. Burton tells us the Suffolk Branch of the Norwich Association has ample resources to serve the needs of all ringers in both East and West Suffolk. I am inclined to doubt this—resources they may have, but what about the missionary or spade work?

I was with a band of ringers in a part of Suffolk last summer where 'The Ringing World' and Norwich Association are practically unknown. I have since sent into this district five copies of Standard methods and a few copies of 'The Ringing World,' with a suggestion they should be taken weekly, and trust these few efforts may still bear fruit. It is these isolated corners of the large counties where Association work is so much needed.—Yours truly, W. MILLER.  
Leytonstone.

**AN EAST SUFFOLK VIEW.**

Sir,—Having read with interest the correspondence with regard to the 'Suffolk Diocesan Association,' I would like to know why our friends in West Suffolk, if they had a grievance with the Ely Diocesan Association, and seceded, and thought a separate association was needed for the Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, did not ask us in East Suffolk to have a voice in the matter, instead of a few getting together and forming a so-called Suffolk County Association, afterwards altering its title and thus bringing something into the Diocese which is not wanted by the majority of ringers.

I would like to know whether the meeting at Hadleigh to which Mr. Symonds refers was representative of ringers in the Diocese. I should say not, as I claim that 75 per cent. of ringers in the Diocese are in East Suffolk. We in this district consider that the resolution passed at Norwich and also at Saxmundham is essential in times like these when the whole world is clamouring for unity. If our friends in the West think a separate Association is needed then I say it has yet to be formed, if it is to be carried on in a democratic manner.—Yours, etc.,  
GEORGE WILSON, Hon. Sec.

Saxmundham District.

**BELL LECTURE AT BRAINTREE.**

At the invitation of the Braintree Educational Society, a lecture on bells and change ringing was given at the County High School, Braintree, on Saturday, April 1st, by Mr. C. H. Howard, Master of the Essex Association. Mr. F. J. Weaver, M.A., headmaster, presided, and there was a good attendance of members. The art of change ringing was explained by diagrams, and an exhibition of double-handed ringing by Messrs. W. H. Dysou, H. E. and W. H. Hammond, and the lecturer. Interesting accounts were given of the ancient societies and their ringing records, together with the doings of present-day associations. As an expression of their appreciation, the society has, through their honorary secretary (Miss K. Jordan, B.A.), sent a donation to one guinea to the fund for rehanging the tenor of Braintree Parish Church.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

The monthly meeting of the Biggleswade District was held at Rotton on Saturday, April 1st. Ringing commenced about three o'clock, with Kent Treble Bob Minor, a lady from Thundington, Cambs, taking part. This was her first ring in Bedfordshire. Over 20 sat down to tea provided in the Schoolroom.

The Vicar presided at the business meeting, at which members were present from Biggleswade, Clifton, Northill, Everton, Tempsford, Sandy, Rotton, and the local company. Two new members were elected, and Arlesley was chosen for the next meeting.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and for presiding, also to the local company for having everything ready, and to the ladies who helped with the tea, was passed.

Mr. C. Dean, of Croydon, joined the company after tea, and the bells were kept going until 8 o'clock, the methods practised being Kent, Oxford and Woodbine Treble Bob Minor, Double Oxford and Bob Minor.

**NEW METHODS.***To the Editor.*

Sir,—You mention in your last issue that I might have carried my analysis further, and pointed out the defects of Superlative, Cambridge and London. There is no need to do that, as they are too well known.

Superlative has always been considered the most musical Surprise method on eight bells, and certainly no method has ever been found to equal it, the only fault is the second and third cannot be kept away from the tenor. This little defect is, however, outweighed by its musical qualities everywhere else.

As regards Cambridge, it is the most perfect Surprise method ever produced. It has only one fault, and that is its small scope for composition. It does not, at any rate, have pairs of bells lying still in 5-6, and it has an advantage that no other Surprise method possesses; it will extend to any number of bells without introducing any adulteration, and the more you extend it the more attractive it becomes.

London has always been called unmusical, and it certainly is not to be compared to the others, from a musical point of view, but for intricacy it has never been beaten. It is still the most difficult of all Surprise methods, and will come to grief quicker than Bristol or any of the new methods. These methods have always been popular, and will probably be as popular a hundred years hence as they are to-day.

As regards your remarks about these methods not having a clean proof scale, you cannot always expect a clean proof scale in all Surprise methods. What I object to is this: in Bristol you have a most musical and attractive method, and none of the work is long enough to become monotonous, but such methods of Guildford, Suffolk, Premier and Dublin, are nothing more or less than Bristol adulterated, and all are very much inferior. It is unfair for ringers to be criticised because they do not feel disposed to ring them.—Yours, etc.,  
W. PYE.

**STANDARD METHODS FIRST.**

Dear Sir,—While being entirely in agreement with the idea expressed in your leading article of March 31st, I wish you had added 'when opportunity arises.' My experience has been that bands will launch out in other methods when they have rung up to London. We have seen that in many cases, but you cannot expect men to learn a new Surprise method before they ring the standard ones, so that they may be able to ring at meetings. Your remark as to scoring of peals does not, I think, apply generally. No doubt other conductors, like myself, do not always ring just what they would like to. I have rung nearly 100 peals of Grandsire Triples 'in hand,' but I hope the Exercise does not think I sit down just to score a peal, or that I never want to ring anything else besides Grandsire. When you have taught people to ring 'in hand,' you cannot turn round and say, 'I have rung enough and do not want to ring any more Grandsire.' To me personally (as much as I should like to ring other methods) it does not matter what it is, so long as it advances my friends and gives them pleasure, but when the opportunity arises we shall get out of the rut.—Yours, etc.,  
A. H. PULLING.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.****NO AMALGAMATION WITH CLEVELAND.**

The annual meeting of the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association was held at Helmsley on Saturday, April 1st. By kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. H. E. Newton), an honorary member of the Association, the bells of the Parish Church were available from noon. Although the bells have been recently overhauled they are still not in a very satisfactory condition, and the ringers present, particularly the ladies, found great difficulty in keeping them running smoothly. Steps, however, are being taken to improve matters, and it is hoped they will soon be in better condition.

In the absence of the Vicar, the Rev. H. E. Newton, through bereavement, the Rev. J. W. Hicks kindly undertook to speak at the ringers' service, held in church, and later to preside at the business meeting.

It was unanimously decided that no further steps be taken to bring about the amalgamation of the Yorkshire Association and the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association, but that the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association should continue to work with the Cleveland Association in the spirit of friendship and goodwill which is so evident amongst its members and to the best of their ability to further the art of change ringing in this Northern area.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Rev. H. E. Newton for the use of the bells, to the Rev. J. W. Hicks for his kindly help, and to the local band for the hearty welcome extended to the visitors.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Ripon, and it is hoped, favourable railway facilities permitting, that many ringing friends from the other divisions of the Association will be present and assist in making the meeting a great success.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

# LONDON SURPRISE COMPOSITION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Rev. H. L. James, in his last letter, states that he got out a new set of course-ends. That is the whole crux of the matter. He did not. He might have thought he had, but he was sadly mistaken. He may spend the remainder of his life twisting and turning them about, split them up into whatever number of blocks he likes. The fact still remains that, barring 473265, they are all taken from my blocks. Why, the whole thing is so glaring that anyone but a blind man may see it. It is only a piece of Bob Major shunting, as I will endeavour to show.

Here are my 65 courses numbered 1 to 65, and Rev. James' connection, No. 66.

A. 1 to 25.				B. 26 to 40.				C. 41 to 65.				
23456	M	W	H	643527	M	5	W	572364	M	4	5	W
1. 42356			—	26. 453762	—	I		41. 574632	—	—	—	
2. 34256			—	27. 524736		0	—	42. 643752				—
3. 24653	—			28. 254637			—	43. 763452				—
4. 56342	—	—						44. 473652				—
5. 34562		—	—	29. 564723	—	I		45. 375642	—			
Four times repeated				30. 635742		0	—					
				31. 365247			—	46. 372465		—	—	
								47. 426735				—
				32. 625734	—	I		48. 746235				—
			33. 246753		0	—	49. 276435				—	
			34. 426357			—	—	50. 673425	—			
				35. 236745	—	I		51. 675243	—	—	—	
				36. 352764		0	—	52. 254763				—
				37. 532467			—	53. 724563				—
								54. 574263				—
				38. 342756	—	I		55. 476253	—			
				39. 463725		0	—					
				40. 643527			—	56. 473526		—	—	
								57. 532746				—
								58. 752346				—
								59. 372546				—
								60. 274536				
								61. 276354		—	—	
								62. 365724				—
								63. 735624				—
Rev. H. L. James' course								64. 675324				—
66. 473265								65. 572364	—			

As 66 is false to 32 and 38, these courses must not be issued. Therefore, drop Bob I. in 32 takes us to 4th's in course 41. Therefore, drop Bob I. in 38 takes us to 4th's in course 61. Therefore, drop Bob 4th's in 41 takes us to 0 in course 33. Therefore, drop Bob 4th's in 61 takes us to 0 in course 39. If we try to see how it goes together, we find it now falls into two round blocks, the smaller of which is represented by: (41 omit 4th's to 33), 34, 35, 36, 37 (38 omit 1 to 61), 62, 63, 64, 65. The larger block is pointed out below. Now this small block must be spliced into the larger one. A careful survey tells us that by calling a bob I. in course 52 takes us to 65, and that when we arrive at 64 a bob at 4th's takes us to 53, and nearly the whole of the small block introduced. Let us write down the result. You will note that with the exception of passing through Mr. James' No. 66 the whole of our tour will be conducted within my 65 courses and, barring the shunts that the variation necessitates, the calling is taken as well.

1. (2 shunt Bob 5th's to 66), (66 shunt Bob 5th's to 26), 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 (32 omit I. shunts to 41), 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51 (52 call I. shunts to 65), (41 omit 4th's shunts to 33), 34, 35, 36, 37 (38 omit I. shunts to 61), 62, 63 (64 call 4th's shunts to 53), 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60 (61 omit 4th's shunts to 39), 40 (26 Bob 5th's shunts to 2), 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25. The large block I mentioned can be traced in above, thus: From 1 down as far as 51, then 52, 53, 54, and straight on to the end.

I am sorry to have trespasssed upon so much space, but law-makers ought not to be law-breakers.—Yours,

G. LINDOFF.

## DEATH OF A NORTON RINGER.

We regret to record the death of Mr. William H. Baddeley, one of the old ringers of Norton, Staffs, who died on Tuesday, March 7th. He was interred in the Parish Churchyard on the following Saturday, and the local ringers, rang, half-muffled, a 20 Oxford Treble Bob: J. E. Wheeldon 1, J. W. Walker (conductor) 2, F. Triner 3, E. E. Johnson 4, G. E. Lawrence 5, J. Walley 6.—On Sunday morning, 720 Woodbine: H. Wibberley 1, J. E. Wheeldon (conductor) 2, F. Triner 3, W. C. Lawrence 4, G. E. Lawrence 5, J. Walley 6; and at the practice on Monday, March 13th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: W. Corfield (first 720) 1, H. Wibberley (first 720 inside bell) 2, F. Triner 3, W. C. Lawrence 4, J. E. Wheeldon (conductor) 5, J. Walley 6.

## CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE.

We saw last week that Treble Bob is derived directly from the Plain Hunting Course by causing the bell in the hunt to make second's place and return to lead. When we come to Cambridge Surprise we have to deal with a totally different arrangement. There is no Treble Bob Principle upon an even number of bells, because the result of the first dodge is to bring the bells round again, but if we try Treble Bob on odd numbers we immediately get the Principle shown by the figures at the side:

Now, examine this course, and you will notice that when the bells in front dodge the bells behind hunt, and when the bells in front hunt the bells behind dodge.

Add a working bell to this and let the treble be the bell in the hunt, and keep the rule as applied to the treble.

When the treble dodges every other bell shall hunt if it possibly can, and when the treble hunts every other bell shall dodge if it possibly can, and we get:

Now this not a regular method, but we can make it so if we allow two more bells to dodge when the treble dodges in the middle. Let 3 and 5 dodge at the back when the treble is in the middle, and we have just half a lead of Cambridge.

This gives us the rule for Cambridge Surprise on all even numbers from six bells upwards. When the treble dodges, every other bell hunts except the two bells behind when the treble is dodging next to them, and when the treble hunts every other bell dodges if it possibly can. Now, not only will this rule produce the method on all even numbers from six upward, but (although it is not a convenient rule to ring the method by) it will also ring the method on all numbers.

We begin with the treble in front, and all the rest hunting, the 4th must make 3rd's place because she may not dodge when the treble does. She then make 4th's because the treble is hunting, and there is no one for her to dodge with. This explains all the place making.

Six hunts straight down to lead, leads a whole pull and hunts up into 2nd's place. Thus, when the treble gets out into the middle somewhere, say, 7—8, on 20 bells we have three groups of bells: a group in front ringing an ordinary treble bob hunt; a group at the back doing the same, and all these dodge at the same time, and, when they dodge, the treble hunts over a cross section to her next dodging position; a group in the middle containing the treble and one more bell, or three. When a bell in the group behind comes to the limit of the group it must pass the treble in one of two ways. If it has just dodged it makes a place as the 4th does in 3—4, moves up one place, makes that and dodges with the treble, then makes the same two places again, and is now one of the front group of bells. The next bell down hunts straight through the treble, missing two dodging positions, and is now in her proper place in the front group. The next bell down makes places again one position higher up and the next bell hunts through, and so on until the treble dodges in 17—18, up and then there is a double dodge behind, and so the bell that hunts through only misses one dodging position.

I shall deal with Supralative next, and I advise anyone who wants to understand it to study this explanation of Cambridge, and thoroughly grasp it first of all.

H. LAW JAMES.

## BELFRY ACCIDENTS.

### LOCKING DEVICE WANTED.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Having read from time to time of the serious accidents in the belfry it has occurred to me that such accidents might easily be eliminated by a simple locking device.

One of the chief sources of danger is that of the handling of bell ropes by unauthorised persons. Why have not the bell hangers before now contrived some method of locking the bells when they are left up? In such a case as Mr. Powell's, when the ringer is obliged to climb among the bells for the purpose of untying a clapper, the danger of falling from the frame and pulling a bell off the balance would then be avoided.

The locks could be operated by a lever from the belfry, which would lift the lock from the 'stay' ready for ringing.

This would cause very little extra trouble, and certainly avoid all such accidents as those, which happen from ignorant people touching the ropes, and the most unfortunate accident of Mr. Powell.—Yours faithfully,

R. E. SADLER.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION'S 40th ANNIVERSARY.

At Woburn, Beds, on March 13th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Beds Association: Francis Gilby 1, C. Matthews 2, E. Herbert 3, H. Fleet 4, Cyril Herbert 5, D. James 6, H. D. Harris (conductor) 7, F. White 8.

On the occasion of the birthday of Mrs. Charles Herbert, and for a confirmation service, On March 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. D. Harris (conductor) 1, C. Matthews 2, Cyril Herbert 3, H. Fleet 4, A. Markwell 5, E. Herbert 6, E. Hobbs 7, F. White 8.



# A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday evening, April 9th, at St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: C. W. Roberts 1, A. Cutmore 2, G. W. Frayne 3, A. B. Bennett 4, P. L. Miles 5, A. V. Selby 6, H. G. Miles 7, W. E. Garrard (conductor) 8.

**BROMHAM, BEDS.**—On Sunday morning, April 9th for Divine service, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor, in 50 mins.: F. Flute (first quarter-peal) 1, H. Mortimer 2, F. Mortimer 3, P. Inskip 4, J. Maxey 5, H. L. Harlow (conductor) 6. Rung as a farewell to F. Flute, who is leaving England for New Zealand, his ringing brothers wishing him 'God-speed.'

**FULHAM.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday evening, April 9th, 1,320 Kent Treble Bob Royal Kent: H. Belcher 1, W. H. Wood 2, W. H. Hollier 3, W. E. Judd 4, R. A. Fardon 5, H. A. Folkard 6, G. O. Iles 7, F. Skevington 8, A. Harding 9, J. W. Driver (conductor) 10.

**NEWPORT PAGNELL, BUCKS.**—On Sunday, April 2nd, 1,008 Grandsire Triples (for Confirmation service): W. H. Inwood (age 75 years) 1, F. O. Tompkins (conductor) 2, E. Lathall 3, W. Brown 4, G. Boon 5, H. Warren 6, W. F. Smith 7, A. Gregory 8.

**LEISTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday evening, April 2nd, for Confirmation service, by the Bishop of the Diocese, 1,088 Bristol Surprise Major: G. Wilson 1, A. Keeble 2, G. Bailey (longest length in the method) 3, C. F. Bailey (conductor) 4, J. G. Rumsey 5, J. M. Bailey 6, C. Sampson 7, E. S. Bailey 8.

**CHELSEA.**—At St. Luke's Church, on Sunday, April 2nd, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters: H. Dyas 1, H. H. Mance 2, O. F. Mitchell 3, E. A. Reeva 4, A. G. H. Newman 5, C. W. Otley 6, W. J. Dean 7, H. Burton 8, H. Mance (conductor) 9, W. Essery 10.

**NORTHAMPTON.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday April 2nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): H. Blundell 1, A. Hensman 2, W. Farey 3, F. Wilford 4, J. C. Dean 5, H. Rainbow 6, W. J. Allen (conductor) 7, S. Foskett 8. Rung on the 15th anniversary of the first peal of Stedman Triples on the bells, also as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the tenor.

**LLANDUDNO.**—At the Church of the Holy Trinity on Sunday, April 2nd, for morning service, in 44 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): E. A. Jones 1, T. Barrow 2, E. Lodge 3, Wm. Saunders 4, S. Brown 5, A. Fairlie 6, S. A. Cullington (conductor) 7, T. Lowe 8. Especially arranged for Wm. Saunders, Coalbrookdale, Salop. A touch of 830 was rung by same band on Tuesday, March 28th.

**NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.**—At the Church of All Saints, on Sunday evening, April 2nd, for service, in 45 mins., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): F. Chapman (first quarter-peal) 1, T. Ford 2, F. Greedy 3, A. E. Morgan 4, J. W. Jones 5, O. Greedy 6, F. Morgan (conductor) 7, H. Forbes 8. Also rung as a compliment to the ringer of the second on the anniversary of his wedding day.

**ACTON.**—At St. Mary's Church, for Confirmation service, on Sunday, April 2nd, by the service ringers, 400 Stedman Triples from Carter's odd and even peal: Robt. Fardon (conductor) 1, Miss I. Hastie 2, H. Wincote 3, S. D. Breeze 4, C. Brown 5, E. W. Coulson 6, Robt. Holloway 7, J. W. Fruin 8.—A quarter-peal of Bob Major was attempted, but came to grief two courses from home: E. Easton (longest length) 1, S. D. Breeze 2, Robt. Fardon (conductor) 3, A. M. Stacey (longest length) 4, C. Brown 5, L. Page 6, Robt. Holloway 7, A. Harding 8.—336 Grandsire Triples was also rung.

**CIRENCESTER, GLOS.**—On Sunday, April 2nd, for morning service, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): J. Butler 1, H. C. Bond 2, F. J. Lewis 3, W. Hayward 4, W. G. Cook (conductor) 5, G. Dore 6, A. Parsons (first quarter inside) 7, J. Hayward 8.

**SOUTH CERNEY, GLOS.**—On Sunday, March 26th for evening service, at All Hallows' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, being 104 six-scores called differently: F. W. Cox 1, W. C. Cuss (conductor) 2, A. Painter 3, H. Gassor 4, S. R. Hicks 5, M. Telling 6.

**FREISTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.**—At St. James' Church on Sunday, March 26th, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 27 mins.: W. Skinner (first 720 and first attempt) 1, A. Sharpe 2, A. Burchnell 3, W. Bradley 4, A. H. Palmer (conductor) 5, J. Sharpe 6.

**GOSPEL OAK.**—Royal Cumberland Youths.—On March 26th at St. Martin's Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: E. Chapman 1, Miss K. Smith 2, T. Bevan (first with a working bell) 3, E. Young 4, C. J. Matthews 5, E. Bonfield (conductor) 6.

**KENSINGTON.**—On Sunday evening, March 26th, at St. Mary Abbot's Church, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: F. V. Sinkins 1, H. Dyas 2, R. Gordon-Brown 3, E. G. Turley 4, C. W. Roberts 5, W. E. Garrard 6, P. L. Miles 7, R. Congreve Pidgeon 8, H. G. Miles (conductor) 9, A. F. M. Tuke 10. Rung as a farewell to Mr. Tuke, who was leaving on the 28th for West Africa.

**FULHAM.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday evening, March 26th, for service, 1,263 Stedman Caters: W. H. Hollier 1, W. H. Wood 2, J. W. Driver 3, W. E. Judd 4, A. Cutmore 5, H. A. Folkard 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, G. O. Iles 8, A. Harding 9, G. F. Edwards 10. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Cutmore.

**LONDON.**—At the Church of St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, for evening service, on Sunday, March 26th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. C. Lambert (conductor) 1, G. Schluter 2, T. Walker 3, G. Shipp 4, A. Burks 5, E. Brett 6.

**RINGWOOD, HANTS.**—On Sunday evening, March 26th, for evensong, 720 Bob Minor: Miss G. Brown 1, E. Hendley 2, E. Whitfield 3, E. Green 4, E. Collins 5, W. Cheater (conductor) 6, E. Brauford 7 (covering). This was rung on the front seven, owing to the tenor being under repair. First 720 in the method by all the band, and arranged as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 7th on his 21st birthday.

**LEWES, SUSSEX.**—Southover Guild.—On Sunday, March 26th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): G. Richardson 1, W. Pelling 2, A. Errey 3, A. J. Turner 4, A. Charman (Cranleigh) 5, R. C. Hide 6, R. Dawe (conductor) 7, W. Ward 8.

**FEERING.**—Essex Association.—On Sunday, March 26th, for Divine service, morning and evening, 720 Bob Minor: R. Porter 1, R. Fisher 2, J. C. Newman 3, G. Hayward 4, C. Rogers 5, W. Keeble (conductor) 6. Both rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Right Rev. R. H. Whitcombe, Suffragan Bishop of Colchester.

**DALTON-IN-FURNESS.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, March 26th, for morning service, 630 Grandsire Triples: T. R. Jackson 1, T. Watson (conductor) 2, G. Jackson 3, Miss E. M. Suari 4, W. H. Dennison 5, J. Burrows 6, W. S. Forshaw 7, T. Metcalfe 8.

**SITINGBOURNE, KENT.**—For Divine service, on Sunday evening, March 26th, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major (1,242 changes): W. Burley 1, E. H. Spice 2, W. Nye 3, S. B. Dobbie 4, S. Taylor 5, T. Jull 6, E. J. Dobbie 7, W. Spice (conductor) 8. Composed by F. Bennett.

**BROMLEY, KENT.**—On Sunday, March 19th, for morning service, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: A. James 1, E. Mounter 2, G. F. James 3, G. Hasnip 4, P. Spice 5, G. Huxley 6, G. Durling (conductor) 7, H. Skinner 8. First quarter-peal in the method by the ringers of the 2nd, 4th and tenor.

**SLOUGH.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, March 19th, 400 Grandsire Triples, a farewell touch for the treble man, who is going to Bix, Henley-on-Thames: G. Gregory 1, W. H. Fussell 2, G. Leader 3, G. Hooper 4, — Bedford 5, W. Henley 6, — Mayne (conductor) 7, — Perryman 8.

**GOSPEL OAK.**—At St. Martin's Church, on Sunday, March 19th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: A. Harwin 1, E. Chapman 2, T. Bevan 3, F. Smith 4, E. Bonfield 5, E. Young (first as conductor) 6.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT.**—On Sunday, March 19th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: F. Rose (first quarter-peal) 1, G. Bloor 2, C. H. Page 3, E. Landon 4, W. Grice 5, T. Austin 6, G. F. Page (conductor) 7, J. Simister 8. This quarter-peal was arranged for G. F. Page, who was on a visit home from Manchester.

**CIRENCESTER, GLOS.**—On Sunday, March 19th, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, published in the 'Bell News' of September 6th, 1884: F. W. Bond 1, F. J. Lewis 2, W. Hayward 3, W. G. Cook 4, J. Butler (conductor) 5, G. Dore 6, H. C. Bond 7, J. Hayward 8.—On the same day, for evening service, at the Parish Church, 665 Grandsire Caters: F. W. Bond 1, J. King 2, W. Hayward 3, J. Butler (conductor) 4, W. G. Cook 5, B. R. Williams 6, S. R. Hicks 7, H. T. Gardner 8, H. C. Bond 9, J. Hayward 10.

## USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

1,260 STEDMAN TRIPLES.	720 BOB MINOR.
2314567	23456
3126574	23564 1
3241567	45236 4
1543267	53624 2
3512746	53216 1
	25346 5
	25483 1
	58342 2
	42356 3
	42563 1
	63542 3
	34256 2
	S 32458 5
	Repeated.
	H. W. WILDE.

Twice repeated.

Contains the extent of the In-course, 4-6's, 6-7's and 7-4's.

ISAAC J. ATTWATER.

## NOTICES.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, second Monday, and St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Ashford on Easter Monday, April 17th. Committee Meeting, 11.30 a.m. Service at 12.15 p.m. Dinner, 1.15 p.m. Business meeting after dinner. Several towers in the neighbourhood will be open for ringing.—Fred. J. O. Helmore, Hon. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the association will be held at Burton-on-Trent on Easter Monday, April 17th. The committee will meet in St. Paul's Institute at 2.30. There will be a service in St. Paul's Church at 3.15. A meat tea, at 2/6 per head, will be ready at 4 o'clock in St. Paul's Institute, to be followed immediately by the General Annual Meeting of the Association. The times for ringing have been fixed as under: Parish Church and St. Paul's Church, 10 to 3 and 6 to 8 o'clock; St. Mark's Church, Winhill, 12 to 3 and 6 to 8 o'clock.—Alfred C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Cambridge on Easter Monday. A start will be made at 10 o'clock at the Roman Catholic Church, also Great St. Mary's and Great St. Andrew's bells will be available all day. There will be a committee meeting for officers of the association at Great St. Mary's Vestry, followed by service in the church at 12 o'clock. Lunch (2/6) at the Dorothy Cafe, Sidney Street, followed by the meeting. It is hoped as many as possible will attend.—V. Shorter, Gen. Sec., 3, Pembroke Street, Cambridge.

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Carlton in Cleveland on Easter Monday next, April 17th. Bells (8) available all day. Dinner in the School Room at 1 p.m. Service in the Church at 3 p.m.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A General meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Pontefract on Easter Monday, April 17th. By the kindness of the respective Vicars, the bells at the Parish Church (10) and All Saints' Church (8) will be available for ringing throughout the day. Tea will be provided at a charge of 1/10 per head. The annual report will be on sale at this meeting.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Cathedral and St. Peter's towers open at 2 p.m., St. Stephen's and St. Michael's at any time, by arrangement. Service in the Cathedral 5 p.m. Meat tea 6 p.m. in Abbey Institute, followed by business meeting. Let your Secretary know if you are coming to tea.—G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec., Duffield, St. Albans.

**DEVON GUILD.**—East Devon Branch.—Meeting will be held at Colyton on Easter Monday. Service, Parish Church 4 p.m.; tea, Church Hall 4.30 and meeting 5.15 p.m. Bells available throughout the day. All ringers welcome. Many towers in district open for the day. For particulars apply to John H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec., Ottery St. Mary.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Bedford on Easter Monday, April 17th. The bells of St. Paul's (10) and St. Peter's (6) will be available from 9.30 a.m. Service in St. Paul's at 12 noon. Preacher: The Rev. Guy Beech, Rector of Turvey. Luncheon in the Drill Hall, St. Loyes, at 1 p.m., to be followed by the Business meeting. Members of kindred societies will be heartily welcomed.—Arthur E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street North, Dunstable.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Berks and Bucks Branch.—The Annual meeting of this Branch will be held at Wooburn, Bucks (Bourne End Station), on Easter Monday. Service at Parish Church at 4.30 p.m. Tea in the Parish Hall (adjoining) at 5.15, and business meeting at 6 p.m. The following towers will be open for visitors and friends: Slough 10-11, Cookham 12-1, Beaconsfield 10-11 and High Wycombe 11 to 1 p.m. Road motor cars available and Great Western and Great Central trains.—W. H. Fussell, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Branch.—A General meeting will be held on Easter Monday. By permission of the Revs. Garrett and Wood, the bells of Helmingham and Framsdon will be available throughout the day. Business meeting to follow Dinner, which will be served at the White Hart, Otley, at 1.30 p.m. Members intending to be present at dinner please notify me not later than Monday, April 10th. Buses passing Helmingham Church leave Ipswich 10.30 a.m., Debenham, 9 a.m.—E. Evans, Hon. Branch Sec., 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—The Annual meeting of the Division will be held at Ditchling on Easter Monday. Tower open at 2. Service 4.30. Tea (by kind invitation) at 5. Business meeting to follow. Keymer tower will also be open from 1 till 4, and in the evening.—A. D. Stone, Hon. Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Dorking on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30; tea 5 o'clock.—A. J. Trappit, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Isle of Wight District.—Postponed meeting of Feb. 4th will take place on Easter Monday at Brading. Bells available 2.30. Service 4. Tea and business meeting 4.30.—W. Upton, 10, Elm Grove, Newport, I.W., Hon. Dist. Sec.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Norwich Diocesan Branch.—A General meeting of this Branch will be held at Wymondham on Easter Monday, April 17th. By kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. S. Martin-Jones, M.A.), the ring of 8 bells of the Parish Church will be available. Luncheon will be served at the Green Dragon Hotel at 1 o'clock, tickets 3/6 each; followed by the general business meeting for the election of officers, etc.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**BRIGHTON & DISTRICT RINGERS' SOCIAL GUILD.**—Next meeting (by arrangement) at the conclusion of the annual meeting of the Central Division of the Sussex County Association, to be held at Ditchling on Easter Monday. New Committeeman and Secretary to be elected; sing-song to conclude.—Hon. Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Upper Cam on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea by kind invitation at 5 o'clock. —W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northern Branch.—Grimsby District.—A meeting will be held at Barrow-on-Humber, on April 22nd. Bells available from noon. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 in the Vicar's Room. Members and visitors requiring tea please inform E. Dannatt not later than April 17th. All ringers are welcome.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Melksham on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells (8) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Business meeting immediately after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting and 8-bell contest will take place at Birstall on Saturday, April 22nd. Draw 2.30. For entries and tea tickets write to H. Peel, 2, Cross Street, Birstall, not later than Monday, April 17th.—W. Frith, Secretary.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Cobham on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells available from 3 to 9. Further particulars later.—Fred. M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—The next meeting will be held at Greenstead Green on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells ready 3 p.m. Short Service 4 o'clock, followed by tea at Hare and Hounds, 9d. each, to all sending word not later than April 20th to H. F. Cooper, Dist. Master, Red Lion, Stisted, near Braintree, Essex.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-East Branch.—A meeting will take place at Holcombe Rogus (6) on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 4.45. Tea in the schoolroom at 5.15. Will those who require tea kindly notify me by the previous Tuesday?—Rev. E. V. Cox, Local Hon. Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Odiham on Saturday, April 22nd. Tower open 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45, 6d. per head will be allowed towards the cost of tea to all members informing me not later than April 15th.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dis. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual General meeting will be held at St. John-the-Baptist, Hillingdon, on Saturday, April 22nd. Service at 5 p.m. with address by the Vicar (Rev. H. J. Kitcat). Tea and business meeting to follow in the Church Hall. The cost of the tea will be 1s. per head, and as a guarantee of 50 has to be given, all who intend being present should advise either of the undersigned not later than April 18th. The ringing arrangements are as follows: St. John's (10) from 3.5 p.m. and after the meeting, St. Andrew's (8) from 3.15 to 4.40 and afterwards until 9.15. Members are urgently requested to attend.—C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, E.17, and W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4, Hon. Secs.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Pendlebury, on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 o'clock.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next Branch meeting will be held at St. James', Waterfoot (6 bells), on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. Subscriptions are now due. Reports to hand.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Great Addington on Saturday, April 22nd. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock. The Rectory Grounds will be open to members.—J. Nickerson, Dist. Sec., Halford Street, Thrapston.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Hayfield on Saturday, April 22nd.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The next Quarter meeting will be held at Solihull on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells (10) available from 3 o'clock. Short service in church at 5 p.m. Tea and meeting afterwards. All ringers welcome. Will members kindly note all subscriptions for 1922 are now due?—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Radcliffe-on-Trent on Saturday, 22nd April. Ringing from 3—8 p.m. Business meeting after tea.—T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices, Mondays, at 7.30 p.m.: Wilton Road, April 24th. Sundays at 10 a.m.: St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Slough.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus on the 27th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 18th and Southwark Cathedral on the 25th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual festival will be held at Lyme Regis on Saturday, April 29th. Meeting at 2 p.m. Service 3.30. Tea 4.30. Further particulars to be announced.—F. Ll. Edwards, Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Solihull, Saturday, April 29th. Bells available 3.30. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea and meeting afterwards. Gentlemen invited. Names to be sent in by April 25th to Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, April 29th, at Poulton (six bells.) Visitors welcomed. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 32, Ormond Avenue, Blackpool.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Pelsall, on Saturday, April 29th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 5.15 p.m., with an address. Tea will be provided at 1/- each for those who send word not later than Tuesday, 25th.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual meeting will be held at Lincoln, on Saturday, April 29th. Evensong at Cathedral, at 4 p.m. Usual ringing arrangements. Tea in Co-operative Hall 5.15, at 2/- per head. Members requiring tea must send their names to their



Branch Secretaries, on or before Tuesday, April 25th. Visitors to advise Mr. G. Chester, 16, Carline Road, Luton. Will member visitors please note that failure to comply with this request has frequently caused great inconvenience to those responsible for arranging tea.—F. W. Stokes, Hon. Sec., Blankney, Lincoln.

**SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Patron: The Right Rev. The Lord Bishop. President: The Ven. Archdeacon Farmiloe. Secretary for Archdeaconry of Sudbury: Rev. R. L. Gardner, Rector of Chelsworth, Ipswich. Secretary for Archdeaconry of Suffolk: Mr. Charles Mee, Sproughton, Ipswich.—A meeting for the whole Diocese will be held in St. Mary-le-Tower Church House, Ipswich, on Saturday, April 29th, at 3 p.m. Bells available from 2 p.m., at St. Mary-le-Tower, St. Margaret's, St. Clement's, and St. Matthew's. All Suffolk ringers are invited to this meeting, so that any opinion may be expressed before the organisation is finally settled. The business will be to finally pass the rules, and arrange the programme for 1922. The subscription (for 1922) was due on January 1st; it is 2s. each for clergy and ringers alike, with an entrance fee of 6d. Honorary Members 5s. the first year, and 2s. 6d. in subsequent years.—Herbert Drake, Diocesan Secretary, Ufford Rectory, Woodbridge, March 28th, 1922.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch. — The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Deane, on Saturday, 29th April. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Rd., Bolton.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.**—The Annual meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Saturday, April 29th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Business meeting at 7 o'clock.—Samuel Booth, Hon. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—The District Annual meeting will be held at Leeds on Saturday, April 29th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short service at 5 o'clock. Tea at the George Inn at 5.45. Business meeting to follow. All subscriptions must be paid at or before this meeting. All ringers intending to be present must let me know not later than Tuesday, April 25th, or tea cannot be provided for them.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Dist. Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**STEBBING, ESSEX.**—The Annual ringing day will be held at Stebbing on Saturday, April 29th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Short service with address 4 o'clock, followed by tea at 5 p.m. at the Church Room, 1/- each. All ringers welcome. All those intending to be present please notify me not later than April 26th.—J. T. Barker (Sec. to Stebbing Company), Hillside, Stebbing, Essex.

**LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Llantrisant (Glam.), on Saturday, April 29th. Service at 4.30; tea and business meeting to follow.—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATION VACANT.

Will any Ringer recommend a thoroughly nice, capable COOK-GENERAL, able to take charge if required, fond of children, good plain cook, baker, etc.? Electric cooker and other labour-saving devices in kitchen. Close to English Church. 3 maids, 2 nurses.—Mrs. Edwin N. Lewis, The Green, Wishaw (near Glasgow).

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.** — For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—Set of 51 handbells; four octaves chromatic in F; F sharp and G above top F extra. What offers?—Apply, J. Leatherbarrow, 43, Wigshaw Lane, Newchurch, Warrington.

## ALFRED BOWELL, CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**  
LIMITED,  
**COVENTRY.**  
MAKERS SINCE 1730.

#### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

#### CHEAP PRINTING.

PEAL CARDS, 3/6 doz. Report Books, Stationery, Balance Sheets, and all classes of General and Commercial Printing at lowest prices. Send stamped envelope for new price list of printing, and support your fellow ringers.

GOOD BROS.  
31, PRESTONVILLE ROAD, BRIGHTON.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Gayersham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION ... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	1	0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4¾ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
Silversmith,  
**WOKING**  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

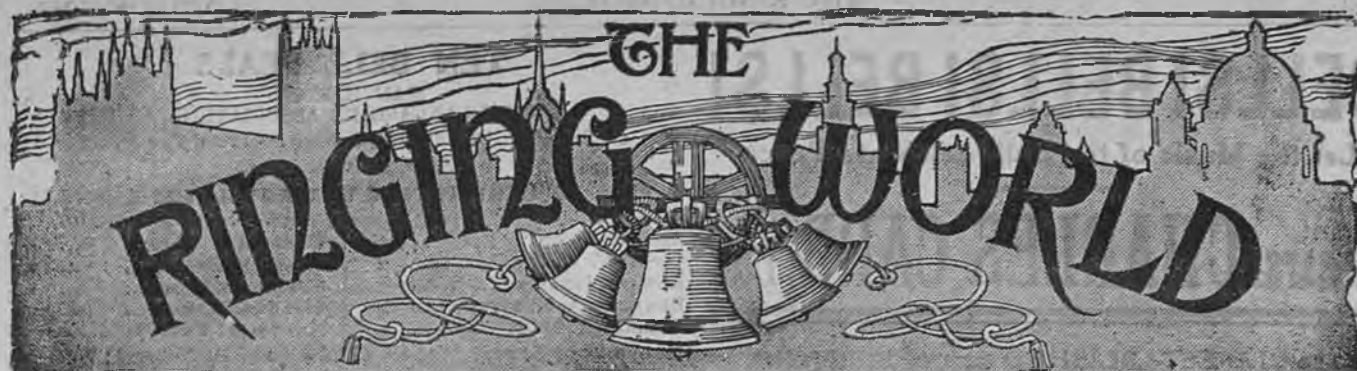
In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 28/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING  
**WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Bell House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 579. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, APRIL 21st, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### THE UNIVERSITY GUILDS.

Among the most valuable of the ringing organisations of modern days has been the Cambridge University Guild, which, during an existence of over forty years, has brought into the Exercise a type of ringer which would have been secured, at any rate in similar numbers, in no other way. The foundation of the Guild in 1879, followed about seven years after the birth of a similar society at the sister university of Oxford, but in continuity of work Cambridge has been able to maintain the greater activity, chiefly through the keenness of the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, its President, whose residence at Trinity College has enabled him to interest a succession of Undergraduates, and so maintain a live centre of the organisation.

The Guild has just rung its 150th peal, and it has taken nearly 32 years to reach this number, since the first was rung in 1890. Compared with the peal records of territorial associations, this is a small total, but the performances are not to be measured by such a standard. Those associations who show best in peal achievements are in happy possession of established bands, with peals of bells in their midst upon which to practise. The University Guilds are in a totally different position. The students go to Cambridge or Oxford for a limited period only; church bell ringing is banned almost entirely while the 'Varsities are in session, so that this means of teaching is largely denied them. The wonder is, in the face of the difficulties, that so much has been accomplished. A perusal of the peal list, moreover, shows that there has been enterprise in the ringing done by the Cambridge University Guild, and we doubt if any other association can point to peals in a greater number of methods on handbells.

The circumstances of University life make rapid expansion of the Guilds impossible, but the Exercise owes a debt to them for what they have done and are doing. They retain and develop the interest of young men who, having previously come into touch with ringing, join the University, and they bring in others who, but for these activities, would know nothing of the attractions of the art. These men pass out to their different spheres throughout the land, and not only bring their trained intellects to bear on the many-sided interests of ringing, but bring in others whose influence in the Exercise is greatly worth having. The Oxford University Guild is showing signs of revival, and the gathering which took place upon its recent jubilee indicates that there is the promise of a more active life than has been shown in recent years. We hope that Oxford will not again be without sufficient men to maintain interest in and promote the welfare of the Guild, and we look forward to a continued steady flow of men from both Universities to help raise the standard of ringing throughout the country.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

Messrs. **CHARLES CARR, Ltd.**

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

**JOHN NICOLL,**

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway),

**Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

MANCHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Four Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE TOWN HALL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 52 cwt.

SAMUEL WOOD ... .. Treble	CHARLES H. PAGE ... .. 6
JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN. 2	*ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 7
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 3	FREDERICK PAGE ... .. 8
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... .. 4	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 9
RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 5	ARTHUR E. PEGLER ... .. Tenor

Composed by SAMUEL WOOD. Conducted by BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS.

Specially arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. S. Wood and Mrs. H. Chapman. \* 100th peal, and first peal of Royal on tower bells.

NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	WALTER PERKINS ... .. 7
WILLIAM PYE ... .. 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 8
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 9
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 5	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WM. PYE.

\* First peal of Cambridge Royal.

First peal of Cambridge Royal by the Association and in the county.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, March 31, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.**

BERT RYDER ... .. Treble	GEORGE E. RANDLES ... .. 5
HENRY C. COLLIER ... .. 2	*ERNEST PALMER ... .. 6
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 3	FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 7
JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. 4	CECIL RADDOCK ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 155). Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal in the method.

NORTHOWRAM, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

EDWARD KERSHAW ... .. Treble	LEWIS MIDGLEY ... .. 5
JOHN LAWSON ... .. 2	*FRANK KERSHAW ... .. 6
*FRANK JAGGER ... .. 3	HERBERT KERSHAW ... .. 7
ERNEST LAWSON ... .. 4	ALBERT JAGGER ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. ROBINSON. Conducted by JOHN LAWSON.

It is worthy of note that in the above peal three generations were included from each of the two families of Lawson and Kershaw. F. Kershaw was made a member previous to starting.

\* First peal.

WOLSTANTON, STAFFS.

THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 14 cwt.

*FRANK MILLER ... .. Treble	*E. A. AUSTIN ... .. 5
*A. E. ALDERSEA ... .. 2	JOHN MORLEY ... .. 6
CHARLES BISHOP ... .. 3	WILLIAM A. FITCHFORD ... .. 7
*H. BARKER ... .. 4	†J. ALLCOCK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. A. FITCHFORD.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal. First peal of Stedman on the bells by an entirely local band.

MOORSIDE, OLDHAM.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROCHDALE BRANCH AND OLDHAM & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.)  
On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Four Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6816 CHANGES;

ASA WILD ... .. Treble	SAMUEL HOLT ... .. 5
FRANK LAWTON ... .. 2	HERBERT BARLOW ... .. 6
ISAAC SCHOFIELD ... .. 3	BENJAMIN THORP ... .. 7
SAMUEL M. BUTTERWORTH ... 4	CHARLES PLATT ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. HARRISON. Conducted by CHARLES PLATT.

Taken from W. Harrison's peal of 10,176, and rung as a practice for same.

TONBRIDGE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' TEN-PART NO. 1.

*GORDON STRICKLAND... .. Treble	CHARLES BAKER ... .. 5
PERCY DENTON ... .. 2	ARCHIBALD DENTON ... .. 6
MICHAEL LAMBERT ... .. 3	GEORGE EDWARDS ... .. 7
ARTHUR READER ... .. 4	JAMES DRAPER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by PERCY DENTON.

\* First peal on eight. The tenor man's last peal, previous to this, was thirty years ago.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

*CECIL A. SMITH ... .. Treble	*FRANK W. BOXALL ... .. 5
*EDDIE R. COLES ... .. 2	JAMES BLACKMORE... .. 6
GEORGE H. TWITCHEN ... .. 3	JAMES W. WILKINS ... .. 7
*HENRY WINGROVE ... .. 4	RALPH COLES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES W. WILKINS.

\* First peal of Grandsire Triples. Messrs. Blackmore and Wingrove are from Beaconsfield, the rest belong to High Wycombe.

ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

*A. TOMLINSON ... .. Treble	GEORGE BURNHAM ... .. 5
BERNARD DITCHER ... .. 2	T. A. HOWES-SMITH ... .. 6
HARRY GREAVES ... .. 3	CHARLES SEVERN ... .. 7
PERCY JERVIS ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. TURTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES SEVERN. Conducted by W. H. TURTON.

\* First peal. The ringers of the treble, 2nd, and 4th are of the local company. The rest hail from Killamarsh, Derbyshire.

PICKERING, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

(NORTHERN DIVISION.)

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb.

HENRY FERGUSON ... .. Treble	GEORGE FINCH ... .. 5
†ANMICE L. HENDERSON ... .. 2	†ARTHUR SEAGER ... .. 6
PHYLLIS GIBSON... .. 3	JOHN R. BARTON ... .. 7
*THOMAS A. RICHARDSON ... 4	*JOHN R. DOBSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. MOORHOUSE. Conducted by J. R. BARTON.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal on a bob bell by ringer of the 2nd. ‡ First peal in the method. The composition is now rung for the first time on tower bells. Quickest peal on the bells. Rung on the anniversary of the dedication of the bells, which were augmented from six to eight, as a war memorial two years ago, by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank. Ringers of treble and 7th hail from Scarborough, 4th and 5th from Helmsley, the rest are members of the local band.

LOUGHBOROUGH.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Six Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 13,440 CHANCES;

Tenor 6½ cwt.

JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. Treble	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 5
JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 2	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 6
HARRY BROUGHTON... .. 3	ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. 7
JAMES S. HUTCHLEY ... .. 4	FRED H. DEXTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

The full extent of the tenors together, this is the longest peal on the bells, and by all the band, also in this method by the Association. Rung on the anniversary of the 40,320 Bob Major, rung at Leeds, Kent, on April 7th and 8th, 1761.

SAXLINGHAM, NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Good Friday, April 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

FRANK H. DAVEY ... .. Treble	FRANCIS W. NAENTON ... .. 5
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 6
WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 3	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 7
GEORGE MAYERS... .. 4	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEO. H. CROSS.

Rung with half-muffled clappers.

LOUGHBOROUGH.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 6½ cwt.

REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... Treble	SHIRLEY BURTON... .. 5
WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 6
JAMES S. HUTCHBY ... .. 3	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 7
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 4	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY DAINS. Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

Rung with the bells half-muffled to the memory of T. Henry Hardy of St. Margaret's, Leicester, who died suddenly, April 13th. The conductor called deceased's first and last peals, and, with heartfelt sorrow, this memorial peal.

LINCOLN.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-AT-ARCHES,

A PEAL OF STEEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THEURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 19 cwt.

GEORGE FLINTHAM ... .. Treble	JOHN WALDEN ... .. 5
*CHARLES MCGUINNESS ... .. 2	*H. LESLIE PASK... .. 6
*HAROLD MARCON ... .. 3	JOHN A. FREEMAN ... .. 7
*LEWIS SNELL ... .. 4	GEORGE CHESTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN A. FREEMAN.

\* First peal in the method. Mr. George Chester has now rung each bell in the tower to a different method.

BATH, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

THOMAS HOGSFLESH ... .. Treble	HENRY W. BROWN ... .. 5
THOMAS F. KING... .. 2	CHARLES W. BELL ... .. 6
GEORGE TEMPLE ... .. 3	GILBERT H. HARDING... .. 7
CHARLES DENSLEY ... .. 4	RICHARD J. COUSINS ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN A. PRITCHARD. Conducted by RICHARD J. COUSINS.

First peal in the method as conductor and first peal of Major on the bells; rung as a birthday compliment to Thomas F. King.



### SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Day, April 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

LEWIS WISEMAN ... .. Treble	ARTHUR WASH ... .. 5
MISS ELSIE PETTITT ... .. 2	CECIL BARKER ... .. 6
HORACE COOPER ... .. 3	HENRY F. COOPER ... .. 7
BERNARD PETTITT ... .. 4	WILLIAM CROSS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by LEWIS WISEMAN.

\* First peal. This is believed to be the first peal in this part of the county in which a lady has taken part. Rung as a birthday compliment to and in honour of the Silver Wedding of Mr. Henry F. Cooper, which occurred on the 10th and 11th April respectively. Mr. Cooper is District Master of the Northern District of the Essex Association.

### OLAPHAM.

#### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Stephen, Clapham Park, S.W.,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S ODD BOB.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. JOINER ... .. 5
JAMES CHAPMAN ... .. 2	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 3	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... .. 7
GEORGE R. FARDON ... .. 4	ALFRED JOYCE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

### DEPTFORD, KENT.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. John the Evangelist,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 14 cwt. 0 qr. 18 lb.

EDWIN J. PANNETT ... .. Treble	HARRY WARNETT, JUN. ... .. 5
GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. DAYNES ... .. 6
JOHN J. LAMB ... .. 3	ERNEST B. CROWDER ... .. 7
GEORGE R. SIMMONDS ... .. 4	HERBERT G. GOODWIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST B. CROWDER.

This was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Joseph Law on attaining his 80th birthday. He has recently left the district, but up to that time he was the oldest member of the company, and rang his last peal in September, 1921.

### NORTHAMPTON.

#### THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Edmund,

#### A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

CHARLES T. COLES ... .. Treble	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 5
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method. First peal of Bristol in Northampton.

### SIX BELL PEALS.

#### TEYNHAM, KENT.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

#### A PEAL OF MINOR, 8040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Treble Bob, College Single, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

SAMUEL TAYLOR ... .. Treble	T. JULL ... .. 4
CHARLES TUMBER ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. WALKER ... .. 5
WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 3	WILLIAM NYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM NYE.

ECOLESTON, CHESHIRE.—On Tuesday, March 14th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): W. Wilde (first quarter-peal) 1, W. Clarke (first quarter-peal) 2, R. Sperring 3, J. W. Davies 4, E. Thomas (first quarter-peal) 5, G. R. Jones 6, S. Jones, junr. (first quarter-peal as conductor) 7, J. Morgan 8.

### STAPLEFORD, CAMBS.

#### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, April 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

#### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, three of Kent Treble Bob, and two of Plain Bob.

CHARLES JENNINGS ... .. Treble	ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... .. 4
FRED W. GOODFELLOW ... .. 2	ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... .. 5
EDWARD FINCH ... .. 3	WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST G. HIBBINS.

\* First peal of Minor. Rung with the bells fully muffled.

### HANDBELL PEALS.

#### HARWICH, ESSEX.

#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

At 5, King's Head Street,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MOLLINS. Conducted by the Performer.

Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

### CRANWELL, LINCOLNSHIRE.

#### THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, April 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

In the Armament School, R.A.F. Cadet College,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 13 in E.

JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 1-2	F. S. F. A. HOLDEN ... .. 5-6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 3-4	WALTER H. WOOD ... .. 7-8

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

Umpire: TOM TEBBUTT. Witness: A. C. H. HUGHES.

\* First peal in hand.

### CAMBRIDGE.

#### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Eleven and a Half Minutes,  
In Trinity College,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY ... .. 1-2	WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... .. 5-6
JOHN B. WOOLLEY ... .. 3-4	CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY ... .. 7-8

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

\* rooth peal.

### GUILDFORD, SURREY.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, April 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

At St. Michael's, Joseph Road,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor size 12 in F.

ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 1-2	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 5-6
WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... .. 3-4	MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... .. 7-8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witnesses: Mde. Yvonne L. Eloie and Ethel Wood.

### IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(The St. Mary-Le-Tower Society.)

On Tuesday, April 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

In St. Mary-Le-Tower Belfry,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;

Tenor size 18 in G.

HOBART E. SMITH ... .. 1-2	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... .. 5-6
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... .. 3-4	WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... .. 7-8

FREDERICK J. TILLET ... .. 9-10

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

Umpire: FREDERICK C. LAMBERT.

This composition contains the full combinations of 3, 5, 6, in 5-6, and the 6 extent in 5ths. \* First peal of Grandsire Caters.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

## CAMBRIDGE.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes.

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

\*CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 1-2 | WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... 5-6  
 REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY... 3-4 | \*JOHN B. WOOLLEY ... 7-8  
 \*T. REGINALD DENNIS ... 9-10

Composed by E. M. ATKINS. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

\* First peal on ten bells.

## NEW METHODS.

To the Editor.

Sir.—Mr. Pye's letter in 'The Ringing World' of April 7th is not very encouraging to a progressive band. There are plenty of good Surprise methods to mix with the old ones, which have little to recommend them, except London, which, in my opinion is the most intricate method. Bristol is a good method, but is spoiled by its lengthening leads. Mr. Pye says too many calls spoil a Surprise method yet Bristol is full of them. Take, for instance, 2 W 2 H 2 M, in which case you get nine leads with the tenors doing four bell work behind, and three snaps at lead. It is all right from a conductor's point of view, but it is very monotonous, and this is where Premier steps in. In Bristol you get three leads with 5-6 at home; in Premier you get three courses. Yet Mr. Pye says it is not so musical!

Now we come to Double Superlative. I do not wish to uphold the method either double or single, but it is certainly more interesting to ring on the double plan. I don't agree that it is 'a freak of nature.'—Yours sincerely,  
 W. H. BARBER.

## NORTHAMPTON CLASSED WITH LONDON.

Dear Sir,—After reading the critics on the subject of new methods, I am asked by my brother ringers to write to say that we very much admire your leading articles, and especially the one on New Methods. I find Mr. Pye makes no reference to Northampton, but he does say that 'the only Surprise method on eight bells that is any good, which has been produced during the last century, is Bristol'; further, that it cannot be said that any of the other methods are more intricate than either Bristol or London, and that they are sometimes rung before publication.

Now, the Rev. A. T. Beeston, of New Mills, who is a member of the Central Council, informs me that Northampton Surprise falls in Class 10 and earns 50 points, equal to London; and above Bristol, which is 48.

This method was published in 'The Ringing World' in March, 1916, and was rung for the first time last June. I am fully confident that it is as intricate as any method yet rung. We in no way despise London, as we have rung it twice recently, and hope to make a further attempt. We have never met the brothers Pye or Bailey, or Gofton, but we look upon them as brother ringers, and we do make a practice of giving honour where honour is due, and we find the same tone in your valuable notes.

For the Parish Church Ringers, Oswaldtwistle, Lanes.

Yours faithfully,

JAS. HOULDSWORTH.

The above letters reached us too late for insertion in our last issue.

## PREMIER VERSUS BRISTOL.

Dear Sir,—Will you permit me to question Mr. W. Pye's criticism of 'Premier Surprise Major' in your two last issues? I do so with great diffidence, as Mr. Pye's practical acquaintance with Surprise methods is long and intimate. For this reason his expressed opinion must carry great weight, and anyone who differs from it must be in doubt. When I first saw Bristol it at once appeared to me that the variation with 7th's and 2nd's was the better. On inquiry about ten years ago of the Rev. E. Bankes James, through his brother, I was informed it had not been rung or named. The late Mr. C. O. Sayer and I endeavoured to get it rung by our local band, but we were not quite good enough. Last year I drew the attention of the brothers Gofton to it: they practised and liked it, gave it a name, and in a short time succeeded in scoring a peal.

If, in thinking it superior to Bristol, my opinion is a wrong one, I know Mr. Pye will not object to the trouble of correcting me. It is based on the fact that within the half leads the two variations are identical, and the changes in the whole plain course are exactly the same. The only difference between the two is when the treble lies behind, and when it leads, causing the half leads to come in different order. For comparison, take the position when the treble leads; in Bristol 8th's place is made and the other bells hunt from one working place to another; at a bob 4th's place is made, and the bells behind dodge. I believe it is generally held that there is a more pleasing effect when the bells behind the treble are dodging than when they continue hunting. If, then, this pleasing effect is obtained in Premier both at the plain and bob leads, the bob leads

of both methods being exactly the same, it seems to mark Premier as the better.

I am aware that most ringers like to hear two or three successive M, W and H leads, but, even so, the value of the lengthening lead in a method with a clear proof scale is open to argument. At any rate, the partiality for the lengthening lead seems to be the only claim Bristol has to superiority. Bearing these things in mind it is difficult to understand Mr. Pye's statement that Premier is very much inferior.

Going back to his remarks about Real Double Superlative, I do not think Mr. Pye intended openly to express his scorn at a legitimate performance of another band. If a conductor and composer work together for a certain result, even if it can be termed a freak, it is solely a question for themselves and their band, so long as the performance is regular. No one is compelled to follow in their foolish (r) footsteps. If Mr. Pye does not like four bobs in two leads, I am almost afraid to publish the peal below, but he will forgive me when I explain its purpose.

It was known before our time that 6,720 changes is positively the extent with the tenors together in Superlative. Mr. F. H. Dexter has recently claimed that by using bobs behind he has obtained 9,000. Most people will read this as being 9,000 with the tenors continuously together, but such a feat is impossible. Mr. Dexter must mean that he has joined up odd leads and half leads with tenors together by parting the tenors. Even then it seems impossible to use up 9,000 out of the 9,600 available.

The following peal is only given to illustrate how true leads and half leads may be introduced into a peal. These give in the aggregate 7,872 changes with the tenors together, and the peal has 56 M, W and H lead ends:—

9,600 DOUBLE SUPERLATIVE MAJOR.

23456

35264 A.B. (5 leads).

A—a bob at the first lead end followed immediately by a bob behind.

B—a bob when the tenor is in fourth's and treble behind, followed immediately by a bob in front.

This course, 55 times repeated, with bobs at H at the end of the 2nd, 3rd, 8th, 9th, 15th, 18th, 25rd, 24th, 28th, 33rd, 38th, 39th, 43rd, 45th, 46th, 51st and 56th courses.

In the 24th, 29th, 40th and 53rd courses call, instead of the first two bobs, consecutive bobs at every half lead to the number of eight, beginning by calling tenor out when treble leads. These courses equal 10 leads.

As this may be the plan used by Mr. Dexter, I have purposely made no attempt to reach his lengths. It would not be right to deprive him of any credit to which he is entitled for earlier productions.—Yours sincerely,  
 JOSEPH W. PARKER.

## GRANDSIRE TRIPLES COMPOSITIONS.

MR. PEGLER'S REPLY TO THE REV. E. B. JAMES.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I quite remember showing Mr. James the composition of Grandsire Triples under dispute. It was in November, 1902, that I left for Gloucester for Bangor, and in 1903 I went to Gloucester for Christmas. It was then I met Mr. James. I knew that he had peals of Grandsire Triples on the same plan. He at once claimed it as his own. I think I got it from 'The Bell News,' but I am not certain. I mentioned to him that I would most likely be meeting Mr. Lindoff shortly. Mr. A. J. Hughes and myself had written to Mr. Lindoff for a pull at St. Patrick's, and this was arranged for the Saturday at 5 o'clock. Later I had a letter forwarded to me from Bangor from Mr. Lindoff, saying they could not ring for some cause or another, which I cannot now remember. Mr. James asked me to mention the peal to Mr. Lindoff, and I should have done so had I met him then. Meeting Mr. Hughes in Birmingham as arranged, I showed him the letter from Mr. Lindoff, but having got our tickets, we decided to go to Dublin and have a look round. We did not, however, meet Mr. Lindoff. I have met him several times since, but never thought to mention the matter of the peal to him. I do not remember meeting Mr. James again till I met him in Bangor a few years since. Although I paid several visits to Gloucester, he was always away.—Yours,  
 W. T. PEGLER.

6, Euston Road, Bangor.

## MEMORIAL AT CLEATOR MOOR.

Five members of the band at St. John's Church, Cleator Moor, Cumberland, gave their lives in the war. They were: J. Bland, H. Black, E. Lister, D. Tembey and C. Dixon. On the occasion of the unveiling of the parish war memorial, upon which their names appear with the others of Cleator Moor, who made the supreme sacrifice, it was particularly fitting that the bells should be rung muffled. The memorial was unveiled by Col. Mason, D.S.O., and an address was given by the Bishop of Barrow-in-Furness.

In the evening, a 720 of Plain Bob Minor was rung on muffled bells as a token of respect: F. H. Tembey 1, J. Joyce 2, T. H. Kewley 3, W. Myers 4, D. Atkinson 5, J. Hutchinson (conductor) 6.

FAIRFORD, GLOS.—On Wednesday, March 29th, at St. Mary's Church, by the local band, members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, a half-peal (2,520 changes) of Doubles in five methods, in 1 hr. 30 mins., being 480 Old Grandsire, 480 Plain Bob, 960 Canterbury Pleasure, 240 Grandsire, and 360 St. Dunstan's each called differently, by: G. Law 1, B. Guy 2, H. Acceck 3, G. J. Winters 4, J. Hope (conductor) 5, P-Sergt. Hastings 6. This is the longest touch for all the above men in five methods.

**PEAL RINGERS' OPPORTUNITIES.***To the Editor.*

Sir,—It may be well to point out that both the King's Accession, 6th May, and His Majesty's birthday, 3rd June, fall this year on a Saturday. As this is generally the most convenient day of the week for peal ringing, and permission to ring may be readily obtained on such occasions, these two days should give great opportunity to peal ringers. As was pointed out in the Central Council some years ago, it is a sound practice to select suitable occasions for long peals when it can be done.—Yours obediently,  
F. LI. EDWARDS.

**BEETHOVEN AND DEXTER.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—In your issue of the 14th inst., a short letter appears by H. Rushby, of Grimsby, the closing sentence of which reads, 'What Beethoven is to music Dexter is to change ringing.' There may be other readers who are, like I am, puzzled by this statement.

To name only Beethoven's Sonatas, pianoforte and violin concertos, and his nine symphonies, truly and aptly classed by Sir George Grove as 'the immortal nine.'

Is there anything by Mr. Dexter in change ringing, comparable with the above only by Beethoven in music? It will be interesting if Mr. Rushby will give it, and further enlighten us on the justification of the comparison.—Yours, etc.,  
A. E. PARSONS.

Old Hill, Staffs.

**SURPRISE METHOD AT TAUNTON.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—In your issue of April 7th, I notice a 720 of Cambridge Surprise Minor has been rung at Wilton, Taunton, and it is claimed to be the first Surprise rung by a resident band west of Bristol. I am pleased to congratulate our friends on their achievements, and hope to soon see other bands practising Surprise methods for the Bath and Wells.

I would like to point out, however, that before the great war we had a band at Carhampton, which rang London Surprise Minor, and a 360 was rung on March 12th, 1914, by J. Farmer, W. Hoyle, G. Stacey, W. Bennett, A. Stevens, H. Moore (conductor). Unfortunately the conductor, H. Moore, was taken ill shortly after, and died, and W. Bennett was killed in the war, which upset the practices. Our present band is recovering now and hopes to repeat the experiment shortly.—Yours truly,  
GEO. STACEY.

**DEATH OF A BOLTON RINGER.**

MR. PETER INCE.  
Photo: Tillottson's, Ltd., Bolton.

On Friday, April 7th, there passed away one of Bolton's prominent members of the Lancashire Association, Mr. Peter Ince.

He commenced ringing at the Bolton Parish Church in 1877; four years later he took charge of the band, a position he held until January of this year, when he retired owing to advancing years and respiratory troubles. On his retirement he was presented with a smoking cabinet by the members of his band.

The funeral took place at Heaton Cemetery on the 11th inst., when members of the Branch rang handbells at the graveside. In the evening an attempt was made for a peal of Grandsire Triples, with the bells half-muffled, at the Parish Church, but this came to grief, after 2 hours and 7 minutes, through a rope breaking. The following took part: Peter Nuttall, Ernest Cutsforth, Fred Morris, Tom Bratby, John Makin, John Howarth, Peter Crook and John Nuttall.

**LEICESTER RINGER'S DEATH.**

It is with deepest regret that we have to announce the sudden death of Mr. Thomas Henry Hardy, a well-known Leicester ringer and singer, connected with St. Margaret's and St. John's Churches. Deceased, who was 30 years of age, and was son-in-law of Mr. Wm. Willson, was ringing as usual on Sunday week, and sang in St. Margaret's choir for both services. He was taken ill on Monday, and died after an operation for appendicitis, at Leicester Royal Infirmary on Thursday evening. He was to have sung the leading bass solo in 'The Crucifixion' on Good Friday, but this service was consequently cancelled, and the bells rung muffled in its place by St. Margaret's Guild, assisted by St. John's, St. Martin's, and Anstey ringers.

The interment took place on Tuesday at Welford Road Cemetery, following upon a service at St. Margaret's.

Fuller details of Mr. Hardy's career will be given next week.

The deepest sympathy will go out to the young widow and her five-year-old son in the bereavement which has fallen so unexpectedly upon them.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The bells of All Saints', Wigston Magna, are now being recast, and are to be relunged in entirely new frames, with ball bearings, by the well-known Loughborough Foundry (Messrs. Taylor and Co.). When the bells are back in the tower a new clock is to be installed. This work, it is hoped, will be fully completed in a few months' time. The tenor will be about 16 cwt.

It was shown just recently that there is no novelty in a peal in which three generations of one family take part. We think, however, that Northowram, Yorks., can claim the first peal in which three generations in each of two families have taken part. Grandpa's Lawson and Kershaw, with their sons and grandsons, made up six of a band of eight to ring a peal of Treble Bob Major.

The extent of Bob Major, with the tenors together, has been rung on the Foundry bells at Loughborough. It establishes another Association record for the Midland Counties Association.

A long peal of Kent Treble Bob is in view at Moorside, Oldham. This week we publish the record of a 6,816, taken from W. Harrison's 10,176, which is the immediate objective. Perhaps there will be something longer still to follow.

The peal of Double Norwich rung at Hethersett, and published in our last issue, was peal No. 216 in the Central Council's Collection. In the composition, which is by Mr. E. Wightman, there are no bobs, and the conductor (Mr. G. H. Cross) desires to know if it is now rung for the first time.

The memorable peal at Bethnal Green, 15,840 Kent Treble Bob, then the longest peal ever rung in any method, was accomplished on April 27th, 1868, in 9 hrs. 12 mins. It was composed by Thomas Day, of Birmingham, and conducted by Henry Haley, senr. That was 54 years ago. Ted Horrex, who rang the 6th, is still with us.

Another notable peal of Treble Bob was rung on the 27th April, eight years later. This was the 8,896 by W. Harrison, rung by the Cumberland Youths, at St. Ann's, Highgate, and was the longest length composed in the method with tenors together.

On April 27th 1861, the College Youths rang the then longest length of Stedman Cinques, 8,580, at Cornhill, and on the same day, in 1901, another band of College Youth rang, for the first time, three Surprise peals in a day.

On April 24th, 1896, 10,400 Kent Treble Bob Major was rung at Shipley, Yorks., and on April 26th, 1894, 11,200 Bob Major was rung on handbells at Norwich.

A peal of Superlative Surprise Major has been rung at Loughborough Bell Foundry in 2 hours 30 minutes. It is thought to be the quickest peal of Major yet rung on tower bells. Is this so?

## NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—The title—'Norfolk and Suffolk'—Mr. Edwards suggests for this Association will not do at all. 'Suffolk' has already been dealt with; 'Norfolk' is equally impossible; and for the following reasons:

- (i.) The Association (N., St. E. and I.) is, and always has been a diocesan (and not a county) organisation.
- (ii.) The S.W. portion of the county of Norfolk, embracing two deaneries, and the half of another, now forms part of the Diocese of Ely, having been detached from the Norwich Diocese in 1914. The N., St. E. and I. Association, therefore, has ceased to organise in that area of Norfolk.

As for the title—Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich—being cumbersome, has Mr. Edwards forgotten our old friend, the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, to mention only one other association with a full name, to which by long habit we are endeared? The title, N., St. E. and I., is sufficiently euphonious; it has a ring all its own; and doubtless, the more we get accustomed to it, the better we shall like it. Anyhow, we must ask our friends to accept the inevitable, and kindly to take us as we are.—Yours very truly,

G. P. BURTON.

Bracondale, Norwich, 8th April.

Sir,—Permit me to point out, in reply to Mr. W. Miller, that the two cases of West Suffolk versus Ely, and East Suffolk in relation to Norwich, are not on a par. The West Suffolk ringers desired to leave Ely, and Ely had, therefore, no option but to accept the position; the East Suffolk men, on the other hand, will not hear of leaving Norwich.

The question of Norwich acting as Ely has done, therefore, does not arise; and as long as East Suffolk ringers are determined to stay in partnership with their fellow ringers of the Norwich Diocese, it is not for Norwich to say them nay. Does Mr. Miller refuse to East Suffolk the right of self-determination he allows to West Suffolk?—Yours faithfully,

G. P. BURTON.

Bracondale, Norwich.

13th April, 1922.

## OUR CONDUCTOR—By 'Non-Conductor.'



The above amusing sketches have been drawn by a very promising young ringer, who desires to remain anonymous. They are fleeting impressions of his Conductor.

### RINGING AT MELBOURNE.

In honour of the enthronement of Dr. Lees, the new Archbishop of Melbourne, a 504 of Grandsire Triples was rung at St. Paul's Cathedral by the following members of the St. Paul's Cathedral Society, Melbourne, Victoria: T. Tyler (Bristol) 1, W. Preston (Kent) 2, J. Spencer (Leicester) 3, A. Fitzgerald (Melbourne) 4, H. Blakeley (Lancashire) 5, J. Guest (Stafford) conductor, S. F. Boughton (Worcestershire) 7, E. Knott (Lancashire) 8.

The Cathedral has a fine ring of 12 bells, and any ringer coming from the old country will receive a hearty welcome.

### LONG PEALS CELEBRATED.

On Easter Monday, to celebrate the anniversary of the 12,240 Kent Treble Bob Maximus and the 14,000 Kent Treble Bob Royal, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on the back eight at the Parish Church, Ashton-under-Lyne, in 54 mins.: Samuel Rowbottom 1, Daniel Heap 2, Charles Bower 3, Ben Thorp (conductor) 4, W. Brammer 5, A. Adams 6, Samuel Booth 7, Tom Jackson 8.

### PRINCESS MARY SURPRISE ROYAL.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I note Mr. James's contribution on the above subject. I went deeply into the matter before I published the method, and I have six good variations. One is a double method, and I have every reason to believe it is the only one up to date with even-stroke dodging back and front. Variation No. 1, which Mr. James chooses to name 'Drews Court' Surprise Royal, is not a Surprise method. Had it been, I should have published the method in that form. Variation No. 2, which he says is first cousin, happens to be the first one I came across when I started the task of clearing the 1-2 places out of Yorkshire Surprise Royal. This came with starting the place-making in 7-8 instead of 3-4. Do not omit to recognise the relationship in the latter method. It is 'Grandfather' to the lot. May I, in conclusion, say that I also took the precaution to let certain members of the Exercise see the figures of these variations.—Yours truly,

ARTHUR CRAVEN.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

We are officially informed by Mr. Herbert Langdon, of the Ancient Society of College Youths, that an attempt is to be made at Appleton to-morrow (Saturday) for a peal of 21,363 Stedman Caters, starting at 7 a.m.

The reason that earlier notice was not possible is that the attempt was uncertain on the date now fixed.

We understand the band will comprise a mixed company of London and Oxford Guild ringers.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Kent County Association was held at Ashford on Easter Monday, April 17th. The gathering was not so large as might have been expected at a place so convenient for a considerable portion of the county. Enhanced railway fares have a deterrent effect, and the prospect of a fine day seemed very doubtful. The weather, however, turned out fine on the whole, though the northerly breeze did not tempt one to stand about in the neighbourhood of the tower. Other towers open for ringing, in addition to Ashford, were Wye (8), Mersham (8), Great Chart (6) Witherborough (6) and Eastwell (6).

A meeting of the Central Committee was held in the vestry at 11.15 a.m., at which £3 3s. was voted from the Belfry Repair Fund towards the cost of re-creating the 6th at Biddenden.

At the service which followed at 12.15 p.m., the Association's Form was used, the Vicar (the Rev. T. K. Sopwith) intoning the prayers, and the honorary secretary (the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore) reading the lesson (Rom. vi. 1-13). The opening hymn was the Easter hymn, 'Jesus Christ is risen to-day.' Before the sermon a special ringers' hymn from the Oxford Diocesan Guild book, 'Unchanging God, Who livest enthroned in realms on high,' was sung, to the well-known tune 'Aurelia.'

The Rev. G. Brocklehurst, Rector of Mersham, gave the address. Taking no set text, he said he considered it a great privilege, as the Rector of the parish, which was the cradle of the Association, to be invited to address the members of a society which had grown to such goodly proportions in the forty or more years since the Rev. R. Knatchbull-Hugessen, the then Rector, first broached the subject of forming a County Association to a few friends in his study at Mersham. He spoke of the valuable work ringers could do and did for the church, and the influence they could bring to bear on others. We often, he said, spoke of man's need for God, but let them remember the other side, God's need for man, and how we can best serve Him by becoming exponents of a manly religion. If he had chosen a text he might well have taken the well-known words, 'Quit you like men, be strong.'

During the singing of the last hymn, 'Light's abode, celestial Salem,' a collection was taken for the War Memorial Fund, which amounted to £1 17s. Dr. Morrell, the organist of the church, accompanied the service.

At the dinner, served in the Parish Hall, eighty-two members were present, the Vicar presiding, supported by the Rev. G. Brocklehurst, Messrs. T. Groombridge (Chislehurst), F. White and S. H. Green (Tonbridge Wells) Dr. Morrell, Mr. W. J. Jeffries (St. John's), and others. After the excellent fare provided by Mr. R. Passmore (Ashford) had been properly discussed, and grace having been said, the Vicar gave the indispensable toast, 'The King,' and, as usual, a verse of the National Anthem was sung.

Mr. F. White then proposed the toast of the Archbishop and clergy, with special thanks to the Rev. G. Brocklehurst for his address. The preacher having briefly responded, the Hon. Secretary rose to read the minutes of the last general meeting, but before doing so said he wished to propose a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the kind way in which he had received the Association.

Mr. Sopwith expressed the pleasure he felt in being able to help to make the meeting a success, and to allow the bells to be rung throughout the day, a permission he was unable to grant on Saturday afternoons, as the noise of the bells was so deafening in the immediate neighbourhood of the tower.

It may be remarked that this night to a great extent be obviated by bricking up a portion of the belfry windows, and an alteration of the hours. The Vicar having then to leave, the chair for the business meeting was taken by the Rev. G. Brocklehurst.

The Hon. Secretary read his report and balance sheets. Reference was made to the death of Miss Macalpine Leny, the Revs. Canon Hichens, R. Patterson, J. Langhorne, and Mr. A. T. King, I.S.O., Messrs. Fred Hayes (Milton, Gravesend), F. Wellard (Maidstone), and others. Nine fresh towers had been added to those in union, viz.: Wye, Great Chart, Cheriton, Frittenden, Leigh, Sevenoaks, Herne, Farningham and East Malling, while only one or two had dropped out. The war memorial had hung fire, but lately there seemed to be a revival of interest; the Romney Marsh Guild had subscribed £5, and the hon. secretary had just received £55s. from the East Kent and Canterbury Conservative Club. Collecting cards had been issued by the district secretaries, and it was hoped by that

means a goodly sum would be obtained. Several fresh grants had been made from the Belfry Repair Fund, and since the Armistice the committee had voted over £40 from this fund. In the general account the balance in hand was £63 12s. 6d., as compared with £47 2s. 7d. at the close of the previous year.

Mr. J. W. Steddy (Edenbridge) proposed that the report and balance sheets be passed.—This was seconded by Mr. E. J. Dixon (Willesborough), and carried.

The re-election of officers en bloc was proposed by Mr. T. Groombridge, seconded by Mr. W. Spice (Tunstall), and carried.

The question of the date of the annual meeting was raised by Mr. W. Haigh (Gillingham). He complained that Easter Monday was too early in the year.—Mr. R. Paine seconded the request for an alteration of date.

Mr. F. White remarked that many Associations met on Easter Monday, while as to weather conditions it was just as likely to be wet or uncongenial later on. Moreover, August Bank Holiday would probably be too hot, and Whitsun Monday had been ruled out on account of the Central Council meeting next day.

Several other members spoke, and, on the chairman putting the question to the vote, only three or four hands were raised in support of the alteration, the great majority voting in favour of the retention of the present date.

This concluded the business, and members left the hall, ringing being resumed in the tower, while some went off to visit some of the other towers open. While the writer wended his way to the station a touch of London was in progress, while other less abstruse methods came in for their fair share of attention.

## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD'S 150th PEAL

It is interesting to record the 150th peal by the Cambridge University Guild, which, like its sister organisation of Oxford, has very limited opportunities for peal ringing compared with the facilities which territorial associations have at their command.

The Guild was founded on February 4th, 1879. Its first peal was one of Bob Triples in hand on April 28th, 1890, and the Guild has since rung the following first peals: Little Bob Major (tower bells), Little Bob Royal (in hand and tower), Norwich Court Bob Major, Gonville, Granta, and Cam variations of Kent Treble Bob; Plain and Little Bob Major (spliced), Plain and Medium Bob Royal (spliced), Plain and Little Bob Royal (spliced); also the first peals in hand of Double Norwich C.B. Major, Little Bob Major, Double Bob Major, and Double Bob Royal. Forty-five members have rung peals for the Guild.

Methods.	Tower bells.	Handbells.
Bob Minor ... ..	—	1
Minor (2 methods) ... ..	—	1
Minor (3 methods) ... ..	1	1
Bob Triples ... ..	—	1
Grandsire Triples ... ..	2	—
Stedman Triples ... ..	7	—
Bob Major ... ..	4	36
Double Bob Major ... ..	—	1
Little Bob Major ... ..	5	8
Plain and Little Bob Major ... ..	—	1
Double Norwich Court Bob Major ... ..	7	12
Double Oxford Bob Major ... ..	1	—
Norwich Court Bob Major ... ..	—	1
Superlative Surprise Major ... ..	1	—
Cambridge Surprise Major ... ..	2	—
Kent Treble Bob Major ... ..	4	*19
Kent Treble Bob Major		
Granta Variation ... ..	—	1
Gonville Variation ... ..	—	1
Cam Variation ... ..	—	1
Oxford Treble Bob Major ... ..	—	1
Grandsire Caters ... ..	—	8
Stedman Caters ... ..	1	—
Bob Royal ... ..	1	9
Double Bob Royal ... ..	—	1
Little Bob Royal ... ..	1	3
Plain and Little Bob Royal ... ..	—	1
Plain and Medium Bob Royal ... ..	—	1
Kent Treble Bob Royal ... ..	—	3
Bob Maximus ... ..	—	1
Kent Treble Bob Maximus ... ..	—	1
Total ... ..	36	114

\* Including one of 7.104.

EGREMONT, CUMBERLAND. — At St. John's Church, Cleator Moor, on Thursday, March 30th, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1.440 changes), in 1 hr. 6 mins.: Wm. Cook 1, J. B. Douglas 2, R. Douglas 3, J. J. Spedding 4, W. Douglas 5, J. Rothery 6, W. Norman 7, G. W. Tembey (conductor) 8. This is the first quarter-peal on the bells.



# A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**CHESHUNT, HERTS.**—On Easter Day, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: F. J. Gilbert 1, G. Andrews 2, W. G. Darlington 3, H. Warner 4, D. Tucker 5, C. Dilley 6, G. Maxim (conductor) 7, J. T. Munday 8.

**BURBAGE, BUXTON.**—For the Easter Festival, at Christ Church, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: W. Ashmore 1, Wm. Moss 2, R. Ashmore 3, W. Longden 4, S. Kirk 5, W. W. Wolstencroft 6. Also 720 Oxford Treble Bob, for evening service, with S. Kirk 3, W. W. Wolstencroft 5, and J. Backhouse 6, the rest as before. Conducted by Sydney Kirk.

**HYDE, CHESHIRE.**—On Easter Day, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 45 mins.: W. Shaw 1, J. Miller 2, J. Brierley 3, H. Norgrove 4, A. Haughton 5, J. Shaw 6, T. Wilde (conductor) 7, A. Hough 8. Also 238 Kent Treble Bob and 240 Bob Major with S. Bowker 6, J. Shaw 7 and T. Wilde (conductor) 8, rest as before. J. Milner hails from Disley, and this was his first quarter-peal of Treble Bob Major.

**EASTBOURNE.**—At St. Saviour's Church, on Sunday, April 9th, for evening service, a 504 of Stedman Triples: F. G. Waymark 1, J. Sharp 2, A. C. Pankhurst 3, G. J. Norris 4, B. Hobbs 5, G. W. Stokes 6, E. Gower (conductor) 7, J. Sharp, junr., 8.

**EALING.**—At Christ Church, on Palm Sunday, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins.: H. Belcher 1, E. J. Walsam 2, H. Folkard 3, H. G. James 4, W. Hollier 5, A. Harding 6, J. A. Troilope (conductor) 7, W. Stagg 8.

**ACTION.**—At St. Mary's Church, on April 9th, a quarter-peal Grandsire Triples: M. England 1, S. D. Breeze 2, R. H. Boddington 3, H. Wincoats 4, C. Brown 5, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 6, E. W. Coulson 7, E. Easton 8.

**ICKLETON, CAMBS.**—On Sunday, April 9th, at the Parish Church, for evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob in 25½ mins.: P. C. L. Brookes 1, R. Clements 2, P. Webb (conductor) 3, J. Webb 4, W. Flitton 5, A. G. Lilley 6.

**MARKET DEEPING.**—For evening service, on April 9th, 720 Bob Minor: H. Hayes (first 720) 1, F. Simpson (first 720 inside) 2, W. A. Day 3, H. Holmes 4, H. M. Day (conductor) 5, B. Wells 6.

**BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.**—On Sunday, April 9th, for service, 504 Grandsire Triples: H. Holderness 1, H. Sear (conductor) 2, W. Mead 3, H. Morris 4, J. Mead 5, F. Stenton 6, F. Whitehead 7, C. Garner 8—384 Superlative Surprise Major: W. Mead 1, G. Underwood 2, J. Mead 3, F. Stenton 4, W. Sear 5, H. Morris 6, F. Whitehead 7, H. Sear (conductor) 8—Also 350 Grandsire Triples, conducted by W. Sear.

**STRATTON ST. MARGARET'S, WILTS.**—On Sunday, April 9th, for morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: J. Woodroffe 1, Miss Ellen Maulden 2, T. Maulden 3, J. Tuckwell 4, A. Simms 5, G. Lancaster (conductor) 6—For evening service, 720 Bob Minor: N. Sperrin 1, Miss Ellen Maulden 2, T. Maulden 3, J. Tuckwell 4, J. Woodroffe 5, G. Lancaster (conductor) 6.

**FRYERNING, ESSEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on April 9th, for evening service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob and 240 Oxford Treble Bob: L. Camp 1, G. Camp 2, C. Harrington 3, H. Wright 4, E. Sitch 5, A. Bradley (conductor) 6.

**GORSEINON, GLAM.**—At St. Catherine's Church, on Sunday, April 9th, 830 Grandsire Triples (Cox's): C. Willis 1, J. T. Williams 2, A. Sluman 3, R. Baird 4, J. Williams (conductor) 5, W. Dobbins 6, W. Dobbins 7, H. Warrie 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to ringers of 2nd and 7th.

**LONG STANTON.**—On Palm Sunday, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Bob Major: W. Hawkes 1, C. W. Woolley 2, Rev. H. B. Woolley 3, F. J. Cook 4, C. W. Cook 5, F. W. Goodfellow 6, G. Crisp 7, J. B. Woolley (conductor) 8. Arranged for Mr. F. W. Goodfellow, of Ealing.

**LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.**—On Sunday, April 2nd, 720 Bob Minor: J. Harrison 1, H. Green 2, J. Bailey 3, Miss Lily Geeson 4, C. Geary 5, W. R. Drage (conductor) 6—For evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: Miss Lily Geeson 1, C. Geary 2, J. Bailey 3, H. Green 4, T. Hutchinson 5, W. King 6, W. R. Drage (conductor) 7, C. Wilken-son 8.

**OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Sunday, April 2nd for morning service, 910 Grandsire Triples, in 34 mins.: H. T. Hughes 1, G. Thompson 2, J. Hughes 3, W. B. Kynaston 4, E. Jones 5, R. Evans 6, R. Edwards (conductor) 7, G. Beaton 8—On Saturday, April 1st, for Confirmation service, 360 Grandsire Minor: H. Hughes 1, R. Martin 2, J. Hughes 3, W. B. Kynaston 4, R. Edwards 5, R. Evans (conductor) 6.

**BURSLEM, STAFFS.**—On Sunday, April 2nd, for evening service, at the Parish Church, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: H. Box (first 720) 1, A. Lees 2, W. P. Deane (conductor) 3, T. Hurd 4, T. Hilditch 5, W. Bourne 6.

**DARLEY DALE.**—On Sunday, April 2nd, at St. Helen's Church, for morning service, 224 Cambridge Surprise Major: G. H. Paulson 1, B. Allsop 2, Hugh Gregory 3, John Siddall, junr., 4, Wm. Taylor 5, E. Blackwell 6, A. C. Wright 7, John Siddall 8. First course in the method by all except No. 7.

**NEATH, SOUTH WALES.**—At St. Thomas' Church, on Sunday morning, April 2nd, for Divine service, 720 Plain Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: F. A. Hutton (first 720 of Minor) 1, A. Hutton (first 720 of Minor on a bob bell) 2, J. Hammond (conductor) 3, R. Ellis 4, H. Boyce 5, C. Hutton 6—The ringers are all regular Sunday Service ringers at the above church.

**LAVERNHAM.**—On Sunday morning, April 2nd, a quarter-peal of Kent Major (1,280 changes): A. Symonds 1, L. Poulson 2, F. Turner 3, S. H. Symonds 4, F. Mortlock 5, R. Lathbury (conductor) 6, E. Poulson 7, W. E. J. Poulson 8. Arranged for R. Lathbury, of Newmarket.

**BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER, GLOS.**—On Sunday, April 2nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: H. E. Gillitt 1, J. Collett 2, T. Banning 3, E. Pardon 4, H. Packer 5, H. Gillitt 6, W. Large (conductor) 7, J. Butler 8.

**HULL.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday evening, April 2nd, 336 Bob Major and course of Grandsire Triples: J. Edyes 1, B. Cook 2, F. Dale 3, F. Moulson 4, D. Meadley 5, T. Mills 6, T. Whitefield 7, J. W. Stickney (conductor) 8.

**PONTEFRAC, YORKS.**—On Sunday, April 2nd at the Parish Church, 504 Grandsire Triples: A. T. Scriven 1, J. H. Lenton 1, G. Spurr 2, A. Walker, senr. (conductor) 3, W. Senior 4, J. Carter 5, W. Pearson 6, T. Holder 7, H. O. Walters 8.

**CAVERSHAM, OXON.**—On Sunday, April 2nd, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,376 changes): J. Waing 1, A. D. Cullum 2, Miss S. Davis 3, E. W. Menday 4, H. Simmonds 5, G. Essex 6, R. T. Hibbert (conductor) 7, W. Hibeht 8.

**BARNES.**—At the Church of St. Mary, on Sunday April 2nd, for evening service, 1,260 Stedman Triples: M. Jacobs 1, H. Barrett 2, H. Stevens 3, C. Hunt 4, H. Cook 5, F. Skevington (conductor) 6, G. Woodiss 7, R. Mackrill 8.

**BARKING, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, April 2nd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major (1,280 changes), in 48 mins.: E. G. Cottis 1, E. H. King 2, A. C. Hardy 3, C. Peaso (Chelmsford) 4, E. Andrews 5, G. W. Faulkner 6, R. Fenn 7, C. Fenn (conductor) 8. Composed by H. W. Wilde, and taken from 'The Ringing World.'

**SALISBURY.**—On Sunday, April 2nd, for morning service, at St. Peter's, Britford, 720 Bob Minor: F. W. Romaine 1, C. Dibben 2, S. Macey 3, R. P. Knight 4, S. R. Roper, Croydon (conductor) 5, L. Harris 6—For evening service, at St. Martin's, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 49 mins.: S. Macey 1, F. W. Romaine 2, E. Dibben 3, L. Harris 4, R. P. Knight 5, S. R. Roper 6, F. Precey (conductor) 7, B. Chalk (first quarter-peal and first attempt) 8.

**BECCLES, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, March 26th, for evening service, 540 Bob Royal: C. Rush 1, C. Parnell 2, C. Bailey 3, C. F. Sayer 4, T. Beckett 5, G. Baxter 6, R. J. Goate 7, J. Spaulding 8, H. Ling 9, E. R. Goate 10. This was the first three courses of Royal by the local band for over 20 years—On Sunday, April 9th, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: H. Ling 1, C. F. Sayer 2, C. Rush 3, J. Spaulding 4, G. Baxter 5, C. Parnell 6, E. R. Goate (conductor) 7, R. J. Goate 8. This is believed to be the longest length of Stedman ever rung on the bells for Sunday service.

## USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

1,280 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES		720 DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MINOR.	
234567		23456	
672453	2	23564	4
348572	1	45236	1
673425	3	36245	2
546273	1	52364	1
735624	2	43526	1
357624	4	26543	2
463257	1	35264	1
574326	2	42356	1
635274	1	25634	3
236457	5	53462	3
742536	1	24536	1
367254	2	65243	1
243567	1S	32654	1
342567	4S	25483	3
		34256	1
		62345	1
		45362	2
		S 32456	1

Twice Repeated.

Can be brought round at either part by bobs for singles.

J. W. WILKINS.

Repeated.  
H. W. WILDE.

## NOTICES.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

—Meetings for practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, second Monday, and St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Devizes Branch.**

—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Melksham on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells (8) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Business meeting immediately after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting and 8-bell contest will take place at Birstall on Saturday, April 22nd. Draw 2.30.—W. Frith, Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Cobham on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells available from 3 to 9.—Fred. M. Mitchell, Dist. Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—The next meeting will be held at Greenstead Green on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells ready 3 p.m. Short Service 4 o'clock, followed by tea at Hare and Hounds, 9d. each.—H. F. Cooper, Dist. Master, Red Lion, Stisted, near Braintree, Essex.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-East Branch.—A meeting will take place at Holcombe Rogus (6) on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 4.45. Tea in the schoolroom at 5.15.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Local Hon. Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual General meeting will be held at St. John-the-Baptist, Hillingdon, on Saturday, April 22nd. Service at 5 p.m. with address by the Vicar (Rev. H. J. Kitcat). Tea and business meeting to follow in the Church Hall. The ringing arrangements are as follows: St. John's (10) from 3.5 p.m. and after the meeting, St. Andrew's (8) from 3.15 to 4.40 and afterwards until 9.15. Members are urgently requested to attend.—C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, E.17, and W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4, Hon. Secs.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next Branch meeting will be held at St. James', Waterfoot (6 bells), on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. Subscriptions are now due. Reports to hand.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Hayfield on Saturday, April 22nd.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Solihull on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells (10) available from 3 o'clock. Short service in church at 5 p.m. Tea and meeting afterwards. All ringers welcome. Will members kindly note all subscriptions for 1922 are now due?—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Radcliffe-on-Trent on Saturday, 22nd April. Ringing from 3—8 p.m. Business meeting after tea.—T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Odiham on Saturday, April 22nd. Tower open 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dis. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Pendlebury, on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 o'clock.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Guilborough District.—A Special meeting will be held at Welford on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells available at 2.30.—W. Bott, Dist. Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—Late Notice.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Swanmore to-morrow, Saturday, April 22nd. Bells available 2 o'clock. Tea at 5 at the Hunter's Inn.—E. J. Harding, 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Next meeting will be held at St. Giles', Cripple-gate (12), to-morrow, Saturday, 22nd April. Ringing from 4.30 p.m. Service 5.30. Ringing 6.15 till 7.15. Business meeting afterwards. A good attendance requested.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices, Mondays, at 7.30 p.m.: Wilton Road, April 24th. Sundays at 10 a.m.: St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Slough.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus on the 27th; Southwark Cathedral on the 25th, all at 7.30 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Solihull, Saturday, April 29th. Bells available 3.30. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea and meeting afterwards. Gentlemen invited. Names to be sent in by April 25th to Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, April 29th, at Poulton (six bells.) Visitors welcomed. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 32, Ormond Avenue, Blackpool.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Pelsall, on Saturday, April 29th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 5.15 p.m., with an address. Tea will be provided at 1/- each for those who send word not later than Tuesday, 25th.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Festival will be held at Lyme Regis on Saturday, 29th April. Annual meeting in the Old School, near the church, at 2 p.m. President, the Earl of Shaftesbury. Service in St. Michael's Church, 3.30. Address by the Vicar, Rev. W. N. Willson. Collection for Gifford Memorial. Meat tea, 4.30, members 1/-, others 1/6. Bells available: Beamminster, Bradpole, Bridport, Lyme Regis, Whitchurch Canonorum (8); Broadwindsor, Chardstock, Uplymes (6); Chideock (5). Notice of attendance should be sent to Mr. T. Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport, Dorset.—F. L. Edwards, Sec.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual meeting will be held at Lincoln, on Saturday, April 29th. Evensong at Cathedral, at 4 p.m. Usual ringing arrangements. Tea in Co-operative Hall 5.15, at 2/- per head. Members requiring tea must send their names to their Branch Secretaries, on or before Tuesday, April 25th. Visitors to advise Mr. G. Chester, 16, Carline Road, Lincoln. Will member visitors please note that failure to comply with this request has frequently caused great inconvenience to those responsible for arranging tea.—F. W. Stokes, Hon. Sec., Blankney, Lincoln.

**SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Patron: The Right Rev. The Lord Bishop. President: The Ven. Archdeacon Farmiloe. Secretary for Archdeaconry of Sudbury: Rev. R. L. Gardner, Rector of Chelsworth, Ipswich. Secretary for Archdeaconry of Suffolk: Mr. Charles Mee, Sproughton, Ipswich.—A meeting for the whole Diocese will be held in St. Mary-le-Tower Church House, Ipswich, on Saturday, April 29th, at 3 p.m. Bells available from 2 p.m., at St. Mary-le-Tower, St. Margaret's, St. Clement's, and St. Matthew's. All Suffolk ringers are invited to this meeting, so that any opinion may be expressed before the organisation is finally settled. The business will be to finally pass the rules, and arrange the programme for 1922. The subscription (for 1922) was due on January 1st; it is 2s. each for clergy and ringers alike, with an entrance fee of 6d. Honorary Members 5s. the first year, and 2s. 6d. in subsequent years.—Herbert Drake, Diocesan Secretary, Ufford Rectory, Woodbridge, March 28th, 1922.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch. —The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Deane, on Saturday, 29th April. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Rd., Bolton.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.**—The Annual meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Saturday, April 29th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Business meeting at 7 o'clock.—Samuel Booth, Hon. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—The District Annual meeting will be held at Leeds on Saturday, April 29th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short service at 5 o'clock. Tea at the George Inn at 5.45. Business meeting to follow. All subscriptions must be paid at or before this meeting. All ringers intending to be present must let me know not later than Tuesday, April 25th, or tea cannot be provided for them.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Dist. Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**STEBBING, ESSEX.**—The Annual ringing day will be held at Stebbing on Saturday, April 29th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Short service with address 4 o'clock, followed by tea at 5 p.m. at the Church Room, 1/- each. All ringers welcome. All those intending to be present please notify me not later than April 26th.—J. T. Barker (Sec. to Stebbing Company), Hillside, Stebbing, Essex.

**LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Llantrisant (Glam.), on Saturday, April 29th. Service at 4.30; tea and business meeting to follow.—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Wellingborough District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Yardley Hastings on Saturday, April 29th. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. A good attendance is requested. Please let me know by 26th at latest how many require tea.—F. Barber, Dist. Sec.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—The Monthly meeting will be held at Arlesey on Saturday, April 29th. Bells (6) ready at 3. Tea at 5. A good attendance is requested.—C. J. Ball, Dist. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Waltham St. Lawrence on Saturday, April 29th, from 6 to 9 p.m.—Jas. White.

**WEST HAM, ESSEX.**—Meetings for practice will be held at the above Tower on Thursday, April 27, and every succeeding Thursday. Service ringing first Sunday in the month, meeting time 10.15 a.m. sharp. Also 3rd Sunday in the evening at 5.15 sharp. All are welcome.—G. Hayben.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—A meeting will be held at Selby Abbey on Saturday, April 29th. All ringers welcome. Tea can only be provided for those who notify me before the 25th.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Leeds Parish Church on Saturday, April 29th. Bells available from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m., and from 5.30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Royal Oak.—M. Moorhouse, Hon. Sec.

**SALOP GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at Shifnal, Saturday, April 29th. Ringing, 2 p.m. Meeting, 4.30. Tea, 5.30.—Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec., St. Alkmund's, Shrewsbury.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Mid Devon Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Dawlish on Saturday, April 29th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. Meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than the 25th inst. All ringers welcome.—H. J. Hole, Hon. Sec., 'Tauntonia,' Church St., Paignton.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—A District meeting will be held at Worplesdon on Saturday, April 29th. Bells (6) available at 3. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting after.—E Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Wolvey on Saturday, April 29th. Bells available 4 till 7.30 p.m.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Ashchurch on Saturday, May 6th. Service at 5 p.m. Tea provided for those who send me their names not later than the previous Tuesday. The bells (6) will be available.—J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Dorchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Wool on Saturday, May 6th. Bells from 2 p.m. (also Bere Regis and West Lulworth). Guild service at 4.30, followed by tea (kindly provided by the Vicar), and short business meeting.—C. H. Jennings, Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Parish Church, Clitheroe, on Saturday, May 6th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.



**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.**

—The next Monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, May 6th, at Cross Stone. Bells ready at 3. Meeting 6.30. Tea will be provided at the Bay Horse Inn if names are sent in to Miss R. A. Bell, 417, Halifax Road, Todmorden, by Thursday morning's post, May 4th.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 1, Church Street, Middleton.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — Lewisham District.

—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary Cray on Saturday, May 6th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service and address by the Rev. A. H. Stevenson (Vicar), at 5 p.m. The Vicar has kindly promised to provide tea for those who send their names to me by Tuesday, May 2nd, the latest. Business meeting to follow.—T. Groombridge, Hon. Dist. Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

**SITUATION VACANT.**

Will any Ringer recommend a thoroughly nice, capable **COOK-GENERAL**, able to take charge if required, fond of children, good plain cook, baker, etc.? Electric cooker and other labour-saving devices in kitchen. Close to English Church. 3 maids, 2 nurses.—Mrs. Edwin N. Lewis, The Green, Wishaw (near Glasgow).

**PUBLICATIONS.**

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'** — **THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A.,** Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.** — For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Rd., Great Moor, Stockport.

**HANDBELLS FOR SALE.**

**FOR SALE.**—Set of 51 handbells; four octaves chromatic in F; F sharp and G above top F extra. What offers?—Apply, J. Leatherbarrow, 43, Wigshaw Lane, Newchurch, Warrington.

**BRISTOL SURPRISE ROYAL.**

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—As my name has been mentioned three or four times lately in connection with the method published by Mr. Craven as Bristol Royal, may I say that, although I have had it for many years, and although it is a true extension of the construction of the Major, I have never publicly or privately called it Bristol. I need not say that I make no claim to it as 'mine.'

Further, may I say, that I have what I think absolute proof that no ten bell method is possible which is entitled to be called Bristol Royal.—Yours truly, J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

**BELFRY ACCIDENTS.**

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Your correspondent, Mr. R. E. Sadler, asks why have not bell hangers contrived some method of locking the bells when left up.

About 18 years ago a fatal accident occurred at Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire. I then experimented with and perfected a device for making the bells secure when left up, operated from the ringing chamber, and which could be locked. I submitted that idea to the then Vicar of Stoke (the Rev. H. V. Stewart), but got no reply, so did not proceed further with the simple apparatus.

Perhaps some day the Board of Trade may step in and compel the authorities to provide against such accidents as Mr. Powell's, and others.—Yours, JAS. E. GROVES.

**SITUATION WANTED.**

Young man requires Situation to Drive Car with good long reach owing to stiff leg, wounded in the War, or help in Garage. Willing to help in Garden. Age 32, married, change ringer, 8 and 10 bells.—Box No. 1, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

**BIRTH.**

**JERRAM.**—On April 10, at Talland Vean, Falmouth, the wife of Major C. F. Jerram, C.M.G., D.S.O., R.M.L.I., of a son.

**DEATH.**

**HARDY.**—At the Royal Infirmary, Leicester, on April 13th, after operation, Thomas Henry, the beloved and devoted husband of Lilian Ada Hardy (nee Willson), of 59, Hopefield Road, aged 30 years.

**ALFRED BOWELL,  
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,  
IPSWICH.**

**YORKSHIRE STONE.**

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

**BELL ROPES**

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**

LIMITED,

**COVENTRY.**

**MAKERS SINCE 1730.**

**RINGERS!**

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

**JAS. E. GROVES,**

**CHURCH BELL**

**43, Malvern Road,**

**HANGER,**

**Handsworth,**

**Birmingham.**

**CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.**

**CHEAP PRINTING.**

**PEAL CARDS, 3/6 doz.** Report Books, Stationery, Balance Sheets, and all classes of General and Commercial Printing at lowest prices. Send stamped envelope for new price list of printing, and support your fellow ringers.

**GOOD BROS.**

**31, PRESTONVILLE ROAD, BRIGHTON.**



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,

SPELMAN STREET,

LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s. d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1 0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½in.	2¾in.	3½in.	3¾in.	4in.	4½in.	5in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	88/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING  
**WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 880. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 9d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### A GREAT RECORD.

The attempt for a peal of record length at Appleton on Saturday was successful, and heartiest congratulations will be extended to the ten men who for the first time in history have rung more than twenty thousand changes without a stop. The actual number was 21,363, and the time 12hrs. 25mins., so that in both respects the peal exceeds all previous performances. It is a prodigious achievement, all the more remarkable when it is remembered that the peal was rung by a band which, without any disrespect, may be termed as, to some extent, a 'scratch' company. Made up of men from Appleton, Reading and London, who are not in the habit of meeting and ringing together, this band started off on the greatest campanological feat ever undertaken, and were successful at the first attempt. The only point in which this peal has not eclipsed anything that has gone before, is in the weight of metal. Appleton tenor is 14cwt.; the tenor at Loughborough, where the preceding longest length was rung, is 30cwt. This, of course, is an important factor in comparing record performances, but it does not detract from the merit of last Saturday's achievement.

What is the attraction and what is the value of these long peals? Ever since ringing began, the competitive element in the matter of lengths has been existent, and in the list of long peals which we publish elsewhere, there are two of over twelve thousand rung as long ago as 1737. Since that time ringers have vied with one another in their endeavours to gather laurels. The limitation of the possibilities of methods has had a restraining effect upon the length of some peals, but the scope which is offered by Stedman Caters and Double Norwich Major has provided the opportunities for greatest lengths of recent years.

The inducements which record-breaking in peal-ringing offer are largely personal, but it is the same spirit that has animated men through all the ages. The desire to excel, to achieve honour, were the inspiration of the Marathon runners of ancient Greece, and have been the factors which have ruled men in every clime, in every pursuit. Ringers have inherited it, and we should be poor successors to those who have gone before us if we could not produce men anxious to make an effort to gain new successes. Every record means a greater effort for those who beat it, and such a performance as that of Saturday stands for much that is best in human achievement. It means endurance, it means determination, it means self-discipline, it means concentration of mind and harmony of effort. The value of a long peal to the individual ringer lies in the fact that it helps to develop these characteristics; its value to the Exercise is that it spurs others to emulate the example, and, in the emulation, to strengthen these traits, and to add distinction to the art.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## RECORD PEAL.

APPLETON, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD AND  
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.  
On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Twelve Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 21,363 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. Treble	HENRY R. NEWTON ... .. 6
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN. ... 2	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. 7
WILLIAM HIBBERT ... .. 3	RICHARD T. HIBBERT ... 8
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 4	RICHARD WHITE ... .. 9
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN. ... 5	FRED WHITE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY G. MILES.

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD, SHOREDITCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 28½ cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS ... .. Treble	FRANK SMITH ... .. 7
ARTHUR N. HARDY ... .. 2	ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 8
THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 3	WILLIAM BOTTRILL ... .. 9
*JOHN SPARROW ... .. 4	GEORGE CARD ... .. 10
PERCY TIMSON ... .. 5	CECIL J. MATTHEWS ... .. 11
HAROLD P. BURTON ... .. 6	JOHN W. CORNFORD ... .. Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. Conducted by J. D. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal on 12 and first peal of Stedman.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Four Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 6088 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb.

H. EDWARD NORMAN ... .. Treble	ARTHUR CATTALL ... .. 7
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 2	A. JAMES HARRIS ... .. 8
JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 3	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 9
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 4	JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 10
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 5	WILLIAM WILLSON ... .. 11
FRYCE TAYLOR ... .. 6	FRED H. DEXTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by SAMUEL WOOD. Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

This is the first peal of Maximus on the bells and in the Peterboro' Diocese, also first by all the band and by the Association, and rung at the first attempt. Rung half-muffled in memory of the late T. Henry Hardy, who was originally chosen to take part in the above.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

BERKELEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt. 0 qr. 16 lb.

GEORGE ORCHARD ... .. Treble	HENRY W. FUSSELL ... .. 6
THOMAS BALDWIN ... .. 2	FREDERICK OAKHILL ... .. 7
FRANK COLE ... .. 3	JAMES PARKER ... .. 8
CHARLES GARDINER ... .. 4	ALBERT BURCOMBE ... .. 9
ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 5	CHARLES BARNFIELD ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

**GREAT REDUCTIONS.**

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**

## SURFLEET.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Tuesday, April 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb.

GEORGE LADD ... ..	Treble	*JOHN B. HALLIFAX ... ..	6
JOSEPH W. FLOWERS ... ..	2	ERNEST FLOWERS ... ..	7
JOHN W. WOOD ... ..	3	SYDNEY G. FLOWERS ... ..	8
ARTHUR H. PALMER ... ..	4	WILLIAM HOLLINGWORTH ... ..	9
JOHN G. AMES ... ..	5	REV. H. LAW JAMES... ..	Tenor

Adapted from ANNABLE. Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

Rung for the wedding of Mr. Robert Hugh Richardson and Miss Ethel Fidling in Surfleet Church the same day: also of Mr. Walter Ayre and Miss Butlers at Elsenham the same day. † First peal on ten.

## OARDIFF.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

*ALFRED PARNELL ... ..	Treble	FREDERICK G. VILES ... ..	6
WILLIAM HEATH ... ..	2	†TOM CARTER ... ..	7
WILLIAM B. BISS ... ..	3	†ERNEST COOMBS ... ..	8
†CLAUDE I. DAVIES ... ..	4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN... ..	9
CHARLES H. PERRY ... ..	5	SEYMOUR R. BARKER ... ..	Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by FRED CHAMBERLAIN.

\* First peal. † First peal of Caters. † First peal of Caters with a bob bell. The ringer of the 4th hails from Liverpool and the 5th from Bridgend.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## BLEWBURY, BERKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BERKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

*BRUCE CORDEROY ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM HUTTON ... ..	5
WALTER HITCHMAN ... ..	2	RICHARD G. RICE ... ..	6
WILLIAM J. NAPPER... ..	3	JAMES S. NAPPER... ..	7
WALTER V. WEBB ... ..	4	WILLIAM A. GOODENOUGH... ..	Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD G. RICE.

\* First peal.

## KIDLINGTON, OXON.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(WITNEY AND WOODSTOCK BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 23½ cwt.

†JACK JUDGE... ..	Treble	G. A. KING... ..	5
†LEONARD TUFFREY ... ..	2	WILLIAM STONE... ..	6
FREDERICK WEBB ... ..	3	WILLIAM JUDGE... ..	7
HOWARD FREEBORN ... ..	4	*JOSEPH BOWERMAN ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM JUDGE.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman. All are Kidlington men except W. Stone, brother-in-law of the conductor. Mr. Freeborn has now rung every bell in the tower to a peal.

## CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

ALFRED J. BULL ... ..	Treble	EDWIN F. PIKE ... ..	5
ALBERT D. STONE ... ..	2	ARTHUR MASON ... ..	6
KEITH HART... ..	3	ALBERT ELLIS ... ..	7
GEORGE ELLIS ... ..	4	OLIVER SIPPETTS... ..	Tenor

Composed by THOMAS DAY. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

Rung after meeting short for Cambridge.

## BANSTEAD, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. 0 qr. 27 lb.

ALFRED J. BULL ... ..	Treble	EDWIN F. PIKE ... ..	5
ALBERT HARMAN... ..	2	AMOS W. CLARK ... ..	6
HERBERT J. SKELT ... ..	3	GEORGE ELLIS ... ..	7
ALFRED J. TRAPPIST ... ..	4	*OLIVER SIPPETTS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by the late C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by O. SIPPETTS.

\* 200th peal.

## EPSOM, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ALFRED J. BULL ... ..	Treble	GEORGE MARRINER ... ..	5
JOHN BEAMS... ..	2	GEORGE ELLIS ... ..	6
EDWIN F. PIKE ... ..	3	AMOS W. CLARK ... ..	7
HERBERT J. SKELT ... ..	4	OLIVER SIPPETTS... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

## ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in D.

EDWIN BREESE ... ..	Treble	JAMES MARTIN ... ..	5
JOHN WILKINSON... ..	2	GEORGE R. NEWTON ... ..	6
THOMAS W. GILMOUR... ..	3	EDWARD CAUNCE... ..	7
HERBERT LUDKIN ... ..	4	HENRY W. WILDE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by G. R. NEWTON.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## GARGRAVE, YORKS.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 16½ cwt.

CHARLES E. LAWSON ... ..	Treble	JOHN MCKELL ... ..	5
WILLIAM B. SMITH ... ..	2	FREDERICK W. DIXON... ..	6
JOSEPH BROADLEY ... ..	3	FRANCIS BARKER ... ..	7
WILLIAM E. ASH... ..	4	HENRY SMITH ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. DIXON.

## WIDNES, LANCASHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt.

FREDERICK HANCOCK ... ..	Treble	ERNEST PALMER ... ..	5
HENRY C. COLLYER ... ..	2	FRANCIS BIBBY ... ..	6
JOHN E. BIBBY ... ..	3	JAMES H. RIDING ... ..	7
EDWARD JENKINS... ..	4	GEORGE R. JONES ... ..	Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 177). Conducted by J. H. RIDING.

## FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5216 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN E. BIBBY ... ..	Treble	GEORGE R. JONES ... ..	5
FREDERICK HANCOCK ... ..	2	JAMES H. RIDING ... ..	6
WILLIAM BIBBY... ..	3	WALTER THOMAS... ..	7
*LEONARD BOSTOCK ... ..	4	EDWARD JENKINS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 161). Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal of Treble Bob and hails from Stretton.



DORCHESTER, OXON.  
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BERKS BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

THOMAS EAST ... .. Treble	G. FREDERICK JAMES ... .. 5
JAMES BUTLER ... .. 2	RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. NAPPER ... .. 3	JAMES S. NAPPER ... .. 7
WALTER V. WEBB ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. GOODENOUGH...Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD G. RICE.

BLEWBURY, BERKS.  
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BERKS BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVE'S TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

RICHARD G. RICE ... .. Treble	G. FREDERICK JAMES ... .. 5
WALTER V. WEBB ... .. 2	THOMAS EAST ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. NAPPER ... .. 3	JAMES S. NAPPER ... .. 7
JAMES BUTLER ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. GOODENOUGH...Tenor

Conducted by JAMES BUTLER.

WALLINGFORD, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BERKS BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-MORE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 21 cwt.

WALTER V. WEBB ... .. Treble	G. FREDERICK JAMES ... .. 5
THOMAS EAST ... .. 2	RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. NAPPER ... .. 3	JAMES S. NAPPER ... .. 7
JAMES BUTLER ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. GOODENOUGH...Tenor

Conducted by T. EAST.

Great credit is due to tenor ringer, who rang three heavy-going tenors in one day to peals.

LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. Treble	CLAYTON PARNELL ... .. 5
*CHARLES BAILEY ... .. 2	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... .. 6
EDWIN R. GOATE ... .. 3	*THOMAS BECKETT ... .. 7
*CHARLES F. SAYER ... .. 4	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ...Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY DAINS. Conducted by F. W. NAUNTON.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.

TODMORDEN, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE UNITARIAN CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT DAVENPORT ... .. Treble	JOHN NASH ... .. 5
HARRY GREENWOOD ... .. 2	WILLIAM CRABTREE ... .. 6
JOHN FITTON ... .. 3	FRANK FIELDEN ... .. 7
GEORGE STAFF ... .. 4	SAM HARTLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. MATTHEWS. Conducted by W. CRABTREE.

No. 60, Central Council's Collection of Peals:

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

KIDLINGTON, OXON.  
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(WITNEY AND WOODSTOCK BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 23½ cwt.

*RALPH PAYNE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM STONE ... .. 5
LEONARD TUFFREY ... .. 2	HOWARD FREEBORN ... .. 6
†JACK JUDGE ... .. 3	WILLIAM JUDGE ... .. 7
WALTER JUDGE ... .. 4	*W. H. THORNE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by LEONARD TUFFREY.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor by L. Tuffrey, aged 19, and youngest member of the band. † First peal of Grandsire with a bob bell. All are Kidlington men except W. Stone.

HANDSWORTH, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... .. Treble	SIDNEY F. PALMER ... .. 5
WILLIAM LAMBERT ... .. 2	*A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... .. 6
JOHN THORPE ... .. 3	WILLIAM BIGGIN ... .. 7
FREDERICK E. SMITH ... .. 4	WALTER ALLWOOD ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by B. A. KNIGHTS.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

HOLM LACY, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

JOHN H. RACKMAN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... .. 5
CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 2	DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 6
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 3	Ex-Sgt. J. WILLIAMS ... .. 7
SIDNEY T. RACKMAN ... .. 4	JOHN CLARK ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by C. EDWARDS.

\* First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a compliment to the conductor and Mrs. Edwards, on the 28th anniversary of their wedding.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY TOWER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS.

Tenor 6½ cwt.

HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. Treble	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 5
JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 2	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 6
PRYCE TAYLOR ... .. 3	WALTER FARLEY ... .. 7
EDWARD READER ... .. 4	WILLIAM THORLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

Arranged for J. T. Dyke, of Midsomer Norton, and W. Farley, of Wells, Somerset. Quickest peal on the bells.

STAFFORD.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Tuesday, April 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 19 cwt. 11 lb.

*WILLIAM G. CURTIS ... .. Treble	†FREDERICK V. HAGGIS ... .. 5
†WILLIAM WILSON ... .. 2	JOHN PERRY ... .. 6
FRED BERKS ... .. 3	JOHN J. TAYLOR ... .. 7
JOHN WARRILOW ... .. 4	THOMAS PERRY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. J. TAYLOR.

\* First peal of Triples. † First peal of Triples with a bob bell. First peal of Triples as conductor. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. C. Sandys (a member of the local band) to Miss E. Gaze. First peal on the bells since rehanging and tuning by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

CHILVERS COTON, NUNEATON.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Tuesday, April 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

WALTER MARTIN... .. Treble	ABRAHAM WILKERSON... .. 5
HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 2	JAMES F. CLARKE, JUN. ... 6
WALTER HORTON ... .. 3	JAMES F. CLARKE, SEN. ... 7
ERNEST STONE ... .. 4	DOUGLAS H. ARGYLE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by D. H. ARGYLE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the Very Rev. Dr. Yeatman-Biggs, late Bishop of Coventry, who died on the 14th inst.

TILEHURST, BERKS.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, April 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

FRANK W. HOPGOOD ... .. Treble	ALBERT D. COLLUM... .. 5
RICHARD T. HIBBERT ... .. 2	HARRY GOODYER ... .. 6
MISS STELLA DAVIS ... .. 3	*RICHARD N. RUNHAM ... 7
REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, M.C. 4	HENRY TUCKER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD N. RUNHAM.

\* First peal in the method as conductor. First peal on the bells since they were overhauled by Mr. T. Bond, of Burford.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF FORWARD MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN ... Treble	FRED BRADLEY ... .. 5
FRED CHAMBERS ... .. 2	RICHARD STANCLIFFE ... 6
TOM CHAMBERS ... .. 3	LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... 7
TOM STANCLIFFE ... .. 4	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

First peal in the method by all, also first peal in the method by Lancashire Association. L. J. Williams hails from Church Kirk, the rest are of the local company.

CAERLEON, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CADOC,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

E. B. JAMES' TEN-PART.

Tenor 7½ cwt. in B flat.

*GEORGE WATTS... .. Treble	SAMUEL JONES ... .. 5
FREDERICK R. BOLTON ... 2	*PERCIVAL H. STAFFORD ... 6
CLAUDE I. DAVIES ... .. 3	CHARLES GREEDY ... .. 7
JOHN W. JONES... .. 4	ALFRED PARNELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES GREEDY.

\* First peal. Arranged specially for C. I. Davies, now of Liverpool, who was on a visit to his native place.

STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

\*THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

MISS STELLA DISNEY ... Treble	†FREDERICK WILSON ... .. 5
CHARLES H. BRIGGS... .. 2	FRED COTTON ... .. 6
TOM ATKINS ... .. 3	†JOHN W. REYNOLDS... .. 7
*CHARLES H. WEBB ... .. 4	†THOMAS COOPER... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. COTTON.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Eleanor Disney, daughter of Canon Disney, Rector of Stoney Stanton. The ringers desire to thank Canon Disney for the use of the bells. \* First peal with bob bell. † First peal Triples. † First Peal.

PERRY BAR, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

RICHARD INGRAM ... .. Treble	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 5
*MAURICE WATTS-READ ... 2	THOMAS H. REEVES ... .. 6
GEORGE T. MITCHISON ... 3	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 7
OLIVER G. NORMAN ... .. 4	FREDERICK W. RISHWORTH Tenor

Conducted by MORRIS J. MORRIS.

\* First peal.

SIX BELL PEALS.

GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINDR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

F. ADAMS ... .. Treble	G. CHERRY ... .. 4
F. C. WEBB ... .. 2	R. E. CROFT ... .. 5
A. W. LINDSAY ... .. 3	F. W. CROFT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. W. CROFT.

PETERBOROUGH.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Double Court, Double Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 24 lb.

OSWALD RICHARDSON ... Treble	WILLIAM H. WALDRON ... 4
FRANK ROWLINSON ... .. 2	JOHN J. JUTSON ... .. 5
ARTHUR RIGGALL ... .. 3	HORACE M. DAY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. M. DAY.

Rung in honour of the installation of the Rev. A. C. Neely, R.D., Vicar of St. Mary's, as Honorary Canon to the 23rd Stall in Peterborough Cathedral.

THATCHAM, BERKS.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NEWBURY BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 17 cwt.

ALBERT SMITH ... .. Treble	ALBERT W. J. BIRD ... .. 4
*WILLIAM MILLSON ... .. 2	EDWARD R. ROBEY ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. ADKINS... .. 3	*FREDERICK W. GRIMSHAW Tenor

Conducted by E. R. ROBEY.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells. Rung as a compliment to the ringers of the 3rd and the conductor on the anniversary of their wedding day. The band tender their thanks to the Vicar for providing tea after the peal.

WHETSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores called differently.

Tenor 9 cwt.

*G. MARK COE ... .. Treble	†JOSEPH BEALE ... .. 4
†ARTHUR WATERS ... .. 2	FREDERICK E. WILSON ... 5
WILLIAM COPE ... .. 3	*JOSEPH TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. E. WILSON.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal. † First peal on a working bell. First peal as conductor and first attempt. The ringers of treble and 2nd hail from Earl Shilton, 3rd Wigston Parva, 4th Wolvey, 5th Croft and tenor Thurlaston.

EXHALL, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Friday, April 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Giles,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Grandsire, Canterbury Pleasure, Double Court, Double Oxford, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 6½ cwt. in B flat.

*OSWALD J. HUNT ... .. Treble	*FRANK E. PERVIN ... .. 4
WILLIAM J. SMITH ... .. 2	JOHN TAYLOR ... .. 5
HERBERT SUMMERS ... .. 3	JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. W. WHITE.

\* First peal in seven methods.

SAPCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)

On Sunday, April 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 10½ cwt.

*CHARLES H. WEBB ... .. Treble	GEORGE WOOD ... .. 4
CHARLES H. BRIGGS ... .. 2	JOHN GARRATT ... .. 5
HENRY WRIGHT ... .. 3	FRED COTTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. COTTON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled, to the memory of the late Mr. T. H. Hardy, of St. Margaret's, Leicester. The band wish to thank Canon Mosse for granting permission to ring this peal. \* First peal of Minor.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5408 CHANGES:**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the Performer.  
Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

CLAPHAM, S.W.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, April 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
At Old Town,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

MRS. FRANK I. HAIRS ... 1-2	HAROLD P. JAMES ... 5-6
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 3-4	WILLIAM HEWITT ... 7-8

Composed and Conducted by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

Umpire: F. I. HAIRS and G. W. R. GRIMWOOD.

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Friday, April 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Residence of F. J. JOHNSON,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor size 12 in F.

MISS ELLEN M. JOHNSON ... 1-2	FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... 5-6
JOSEPH D. JOHNSON ... 3-4	*GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... 7-8

Conducted by JOSEPH D. JOHNSON.

\* First peal on handbells, and rung at the first attempt. Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Edith Wiggins, only daughter of Mr. J. Wiggins, of Stanton, and Mr. John Hall, of Brefforton (both being esteemed members of the Association), who were married at Stanton Parish Church, on April 19th.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

**SUCCESSFUL GATHERING AT BURTON.**

The annual meeting of the Midland Counties Association took place at Burton-on-Trent, on Easter Monday, about 150 members being present, from Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Birmingham, Chesterfield, Cotgrave, Coventry, Darley Dale, Derby, Duffield, Hinckley, Leicester, Long Eaton, Loughborough, Luton, Manchester, Measham, Midsomer Norton, New Mills, Nottingham, Nuneaton, Overseal, Ripley, Sheffield, Stoke Golding and Wells (Somerset). Ringing commenced at 10 a.m., and was continued until three o'clock at the three churches, St. Paul's with its new trebles being used almost exclusively for Caters and Royal methods, and there is no doubt that the new bells were thoroughly 'broken in.' The augmentation of this peal to ten is a matter of special pleasure to all ringers, and Messrs. John Taylor and Co. were deservedly complimented on the admirable way in which they had carried out the work. There was some very good ringing during the day at the various churches, most of the methods being brought into use by ringers, old and young.

The bells ceased at three o'clock, and members adjourned to St. Paul's Church at 3.15, a special service having been arranged, which included the 'Bell Hymn,' by the Vicar of St. Clement Danes. An excellent sermon was preached by the Rev. H. E. Worthington.

Afterwards the members found tea laid ready for all who had given the necessary notice, and full justice was done to the meal.

The business meeting followed, at which the President of the Association (Ald. R. B. Chambers, B.A. J.P., of Derby) presided, supported by Mrs. Chambers, and other honorary members, including the Hon. and Rev. S. G. W. Maitland, Vicar of St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, and the Rev. H. E. Worthington, Rector of Netherseal. Mr. Pryce Taylor, and Mr. A. C. Wright (the hon. secretary).—The President read letters from the Bishop of Lichfield, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, and others, regretting their inability to attend the meeting.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the clergy for the use of the bells and Institute, and for their presence.—The Revs. S. G. W. Maitland and H. E. Worthington replied welcoming the Association to Burton-on-Trent.

**OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.**

The election of general officers was the next item on the agenda, and it was reported that no other nominations had been received except for the last year's officers. These gentlemen were cordially thanked for their past services, and unanimously re-elected, as follows: President, Ald. Chambers; hon. treasurer, Mr. W. Willson; hon. secretary, Mr. A. C. Wright.—In returning thanks, Mr. Chambers spoke of his continued and increasing interest in bells and bell ringing, and mentioned the number of hon. members introduced to the Association. He also strongly advised all members of the Association to support 'The Ringing World.' He then spoke with regret of the absence of Mr. W. Willson, the hon. treasurer, owing to the sudden death on the preceding Friday of his son-in-law Mr. T. H. Hardy. He mentioned that Mr. and Mrs. Hardy had recently rung together in a peal, both being accomplished ringers. He expressed, on behalf of the Association, deepest sympathy with Mr. Willson's daughter (Mrs. Hardy), and with Mr. Willson in their loss, and a vote of condolence was passed by all present standing in silence.

The Hon. Secretary thanked the meeting for their remarks on his re-election, and promised to continue for another year. He mentioned that although he was the only candidate at this meeting he would like to see more nominations next year, and would then be glad to be among the 'also rans.'

The accounts and reports were approved and adopted on the proposition of the President seconded by Mr. Jaggard, one of the founders of the Association.

**MATTERS FOR THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.**

The following resolution was submitted by the President, who said he wished to bring it before the Central Council:—

That it is desirable to establish in the area of each ringing association a bell restoration fund from which grants may be made for the restoration of any rings of bells within the area when local funds are insufficient to meet the cost.

The meeting approved the resolution, and hoped that the President would bring it before the Central Council for consideration. It may be well to mention here that in committee another matter brought forward by the secretary was discussed. He stated that it had several times been suggested to him that it would be desirable that the Association should inaugurate a scheme for the granting of special certificates of merit for progress in method ringing. A sub-committee was formed to consider the matter and report to a later meeting. It was meanwhile suggested that this idea should be brought before the Central Council, and it was hoped an opportunity might be found for some discussion on it at the meeting at Whitsuntide.

The business being completed, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Griffin and the local committee for carrying out the arrangements for the meeting, and also to Ald. Chambers for attending and presiding, and to Mrs. Chambers for her presence.—This was carried enthusiastically, with musical honours, led by the ubiquitous Mr.

Jaggar.—Mr. Chambers suitably responded, and mentioned that instead of a speech Mrs. Chambers would recite a short poem called 'The Bells and Chimes of Motherland,' which she did in a very pleasing manner, meeting with hearty applause.

The meeting terminated with a splendid performance on handbells by some of the Birmingham members, Stedman Cinques being made to look very easy work.

The next annual meeting will be at Derby, while the three quarterly meetings will be held respectively at Melbourne, Wigston and Mansfield.

### THE LATE MR. T. HENRY HARDY. EARLY CLOSE OF A PROMISING CAREER.

As briefly announced in our last issue, Mr. Thomas Henry Hardy, of Leicester, passed away, after an illness of only three days' duration, at the early age of 30 years. He was a member of St. Margaret's choir, and principal bass, and on the Saturday previous to his death sang at Hinckley Road P.M. Church in 'St. John's Eve,' and on Sunday in St. Margaret's choir for both services. He had on several occasions taken part in 'The Messiah,' and was announced for 'The Crucifixion' on Good Friday, but on account of his death this was cancelled, and a muffled touch rung instead. At last year's Leicester Musical Festival Mr. Hardy won the first prize for baritone solo, and was looked upon as one of the coming lights in the musical world, having on hand many high-class engagements in the city.

He married in 1915 Miss Lilian Willson, eldest daughter of Mr. Wm. Willson (herself a well-known change ringer), and shortly afterwards served three strenuous years in the army, which left him in somewhat poor health.

He was a keen change ringer, having rung 44 peals in all, in the standard methods from Doubles to Royal, and Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Major, the latter only as recently at February 11th of this year, at Loughborough Foundry, a peal in which his wife also took part. Mr. Hardy's last peal was the first on St. Margaret's new bells (Grandsire on the front eight), and he was looking forward to taking part in the first of Maximus on the new 12, but fate ordained otherwise. However, when this was accomplished on Saturday last, it was rung muffled to his memory, so that his name will still be connected with this performance.

Mr. Hardy served on St. Margaret's Parochial Council, and it was mainly his support on this body that helped the writer to carry forward the great scheme of recasting, rehanging, and, later, augment-

ing the bells, when on this Council both were faced with many difficult obstacles.

It is a tragic coincidence that the first time the new peal was heard muffled it was to one so keenly interested in them, and one of the society's own ringers.

The funeral took place on Easter Tuesday at Welford Road Cemetery, preceded by a service at St. Margaret's, which was conducted by the Revs. F. O. Scott, M.A. (Holy Apostles), T. A. Lee, M.A. (Vice-Principal of Leeds Clergy School), and F. R. C. Payne, O.B.E., M.A. (St. Margaret's). The service was fully choral, and the choir boys carried with them into the chancel, some of the floral tributes from the deceased's many friends and relatives. The Vicar read the lesson, and delivered a most striking and inspiring eulogy, outlining some of the late Mr. Hardy's attainments, and voicing for all the sad loss sustained at his passing. The organist (Mr. W. Beaumont) played Ernst's 'Elegie,' Mendelssohn's Funeral March and 'O rest in the Lord,' as voluntaries.

Messrs. Hall and Jackson (St. Margaret's choirman), E. Morris and A. Cattell (St. Margaret's ringers), A. J. Harris and W. Aldridge (St. John's ringers), acted as bearers, and after the Committal Service at the graveside, a course of Grandsire Caters was rung on handbells by A. Cattell 1-2, J. Morris 3-4, E. Morris 5-6, G. Cleal 7-8, W. Needham 9-10.

In the evening muffled touches were rung on the bells of St. John-the-Divine and St. Margaret's.

Mrs. Lilian A. Hardy (widow) and Mr. W. Wilson and family desire to thank all those friends who have sent floral tributes and letters of sympathy, also St. Margaret's, St. Martin's and St. John's Societies of Ringers for their kindness.

At Stoney Stanton, Leicestershire, on Tuesday, February 18th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 44 mins.: Miss Stella Disney 1, G. Wood 2, E. Chamberlain 3, N. Walker 4, T. Atkins 5, H. Webb 6, C. Briggs (conductor) 7, W. Briggs 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of the Rev. John Martin, at one time Rector of the parish; also in sympathy with the wife and relatives of Mr. T. Henry Hardy.

### REAL DOUBLE SUPERLATIVE. PROPOSED LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

Mr. F. H. Dexter writes that on Saturday, May 6th, at the Bell Foundry, Loughborough, an attempt will be made by members of the Midland Counties Association to ring a peal of 10,400 of Real Double Superlative.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co., LOUGHBOROUGH.

## THE LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and**

**Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**in Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Owing to the pressure on our space, on account of the numerous Easter meetings, and peal performances, we are compelled to hold over several reports and letters to the Editor.

The Yorkshire Association have decided to hold an annual dinner to be known as 'The Memorial Commemoration Dinner to Jasper Whitfield Snowden and past officers of the Yorkshire Association.' The first of the gatherings will be held at Leeds on the fourth Saturday in September.

Mr. Harry Withers, the Bournville carillonneur, is becoming world-famous. Not long since he visited Norway to open a new carillon; now he has been to Toronto, Canada, for the same purpose.

The anniversary of the first peal of which there is any authentic record, occurs on Tuesday next, for it was on May 2nd, 1715, that the historic peal of 'Grandsire Bob Tripples' was rung at St. Peter Mancroft Church, Norwich.

The first peal of Cinques in Yorkshire was rung at Leeds on May 1st, 1892.

Last Saturday was the anniversary of the longest length of Grandsire Caters on record, the 15,227 at Cheltenham on April 22nd, 1889. There has always been a happy rivalry between Cheltenham and Appleton, and it is a coincidence that the latest record should have been achieved at the latter place on the anniversary of such a noteworthy performance in the Gloucestershire town.

Mr. Tom Hibbert tells us that if Messrs. Ben Foskett and Edwin Barnett care to have a day in the country and pay a visit to Little Milton, Oxfordshire, they will meet the 6th man of their peal of 15,440 Double Norwich. Mr. Albert Pittam, who was in both the peal and the previous long attempt at Brentwood in 1894. By a slip of the pen we referred to this attempt in a previous issue as taking place at Brentford.

In response to the inquiry as to the peal of Double Norwich with all singles (C.C.C., No. 216), we are informed by Mr. W. J. Allen, that this was rung at St. Peter's, Northampton, on September 23rd, 1909, conducted by Mr. A. J. Tyler.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

### COMPLETION OF THE WAR MEMORIAL.

The annual meeting of the Worcestershire and Districts Association was held at Worcester on Easter Monday. The attendance was good, and the number of young members was noticeable, the President remarking that it was a most encouraging sign. The business meeting was held in the Cathedral Chapter House, with the President (the Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D., Dean) in the chair, for although otherwise he would have been away from home, so great an interest did he take that he had put off his departure until the next day, so that he might be at this meeting.

A vote of sympathy was passed with the relatives of the late Canon Southwell, a vice-president, who recently died while going to take a service at a church near the city.—The Secretary (Mr. J. R. Newman) reported that particulars of this Association were now included among the Diocesan organisations mentioned in the Diocesan Calendar.

A considerable number of new members were elected, and Mr. James Hemming was appointed conductor of the annual peal, and Worcester was again chosen for the next annual meeting.

The roll of honour had been completed, and was in the form of three bronze plates bearing the names and affixed to the sill of the memorial window, making an excellent finish to a memorial of which all members can be most proud.—The Treasurer reported that he had received sufficient to pay for these plates.

It was decided to make a grant of two guineas towards the repairs of the bells at All Saints', Worcester, and the officers were all re-elected.

The question of the best means to prevent the ringing or publication of false peal compositions was raised by the Secretary, and after discussion it was decided that the representatives should bring this before the Central Council, in order that arrangements might be made, if possible, to insure the proof and recording of all new peal compositions previous to being rung or published.

After the meeting, those present attended the afternoon service in the Cathedral, an address being given by the warden of the Cathedral Guild, at the conclusion of which a move was made to the College Hall, where tea was provided.

Throughout the day the various bells in the city were available, and, except during the meeting, service and tea, were not allowed to be idle. The methods rung show a decided advance, for whereas a year ago Surprise peals were only attempted by members of the Northern Branch, Worcester can now produce a band to ring Surprise Royal, besides which there are other members in the neighbourhood also ringing Surprise Methods.

This meeting was in all ways most successful, and gave much promise of progress in ringing in the county, and of the welfare of this Association.

# NEW RECORD PEAL.—21,363 STEDMAN CATERS.

## Great Achievement at Appleton.

The attempt for a peal of new record length was successful at Appleton on Saturday, when a mixed band of members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild and the Ancient Society of College Youths rang 21,363 Stedman Caters (a composition by Mr. Henry G. Miles), in 12 hours 25 mins., thus exceeding in length by 3,336 changes, and in time by seven minutes, the previous longest peal on tower bells.

The London contingent of the band were Messrs. C. F. Winney, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton and A. B. Peck; Reading contributed Mr. R. T. Hibbert, and his son, Mr. W. Hibbert; and Appleton supplied the remainder of the band, Messrs. George Holifield, senr. and junr., and Fred and Richard White. The bells had been got into magnificent order, and just about seven o'clock in the morning they went off upon the long undertaking, quickly getting down to the beat at which they go so well—about 28 changes to the minute. Hour after hour the

Appended is a list of tower bell peals of 12,000 changes and over, of which we have a record. In view of last Saturday's performance they are extremely interesting.

12000	Treble Bob Royal	Shoreditch	9hrs. 5mins.	March 27, 1784
12005	Grandsire Caters	Painswick	7hrs. 55mins.	April 18, 1737
12041	Stedman Caters	Appleton	7hrs. 26mins.	Feb. 5, 1888
12096	Grandsire Caters	Fulham	7hrs. 50mins.	May 15, 1837
12160	Bristol Surprise	Knebworth	7hrs. 18mins.	April 8, 1912
12240	Kent T.B. Maximus	Ashton-u-Lyne	8hrs. 31mins.	April 17, 1911
12312	Grandsire Caters	Painswick	7hrs. 44mins.	May 5, 1817
12320	Treble Bob Major	Ottley	7hrs. 15mins.	Aug. 27, 1814
12603	Grandsire Caters	Norwich	8hrs. 15mins.	March 8, 1737
12672	Bob Major	Bromley	7hrs. 48mins.	Feb. 5, 1783
13001	Grandsire Cinques	Painswick	8hrs. 45mins.	Feb. 14, 1920
13054	Stedman Caters	Cheltenham	8hrs. 16mins.	May 23, 1888
13265	Grandsire Caters	Appleton	8hrs. 5mins.	April 11, 1888
13440	Canterbury Major	Warnham		March 1, 1883



APPLETON CHURCH, WHERE THE PEAL WAS RUNG.

course—ends rolled up with clockwork regularity, and those who came in the rain to listen were impressed with the excellence of the striking. Nothing seriously untoward occurred throughout the day, every man being keen upon his job, and ringing as if a twenty thousand were a regular occupation. As the time advanced there was naturally a growing anxiety to see a successful issue of the peal, and after more than ringing the clock round, the bells came home to a fine finish, and the band, tired, certainly, with their great achievement, had the satisfaction of knowing that they had put the world's longest length (rung without relief) to their credit, and they received the warmest congratulations of those who had assembled to hear the end of the peal.

The official record of the performance, which was rung on the eve of the Festival of St. George, the patron saint of England, appears in our peal columns.

13440	Double Norwich Major	Romford	8hrs. 16mins.	April 18, 1894
13440	Bob Major	Loughborough	6hrs. 48mins.	April 8, 1922
14000	Kent Treble Bob Royal	Ashton-u-Lyne	9hrs. 24mins.	April 13, 1914
14016	Kent Treble Bob Major	Oldham	7hrs. 15mins.	Feb. 12, 1821
14112	London Surprise	King's Norton	8hrs. 40mins.	March 11, 1914
14224	Bob Major	Ashton	8hrs. 45mins.	Feb. 16, 1739
15041	Stedman Caters	Appleton	9hrs. 16mins.	Dec. 27, 1904
15072	Double Norwich	Erith	9hrs. 24mins.	April 3, 1899
15168	Kent Treble Bob Major	Elland	8hrs. 43mins.	Dec. 26, 1831
15227	Grandsire Caters	Cheltenham	9hrs. 43mins.	April 22, 1889
15254	Bristol Surprise	Hornchurch	9hrs. 49mins.	May 28, 1912
15840	Kent Treble Bob Major	Bethnal Green	9hrs. 12mins.	April 27, 1868
16508	Kent Treble Bob Major	Mottram	9hrs. 48mins.	May 18, 1883
16508	Oxford T.B. Major	Debonham	10hrs. 32mins.	June 6, 1892
16600	Kent Treble Bob Major	Mottram	9hrs. 40mins.	June 8, 1906
17024	Double Norwich Major	Kidlington	11hrs. 12mins.	May 22, 1899
17104	Double Norwich Major	South Wiston	10hrs. 35mins.	Dec. 27, 1904
18027	Stedman Caters	Loughborough	12hrs. 18mins.	April 12, 1909

## DEDICATION OF LONGHOPE BELLS.

### A COMPLAINT.

#### To the Editor.

Sir, — As secretary of the Forest Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, I feel it my duty to bring the following facts before the Exercise generally. I went to Longhope to attend the dedication and opening of the bells, and there met ringers from Ross, Westbury-on-Savern, Blaisdon, Newnham, Tittledean, and some of the local band. A splendid tea was kindly provided by the Vicar, after which the bells were raised in peal, the Barnwood ringers having previously asked and obtained permission to open them. The ringers then congregated and attended service, after which the Barnwood ringers again took possession of the tower, a touch of Bob

Minor was rung, and the bells were stopped. Several ringers then entered the bellry, with a view to getting a short touch. Here, I am sorry to relate, a bad breach of ringing etiquette was enacted. Instead of the bells being handed over to a waiting band of anxious ringers the Barnwood company set them going again to Grandsire Doubles, and, when this was brought round, lowered them straight away, thereby showing they did not intend their brother members to ring.

This is the first time I have ever witnessed such a grave breach of courtesy, and I extended my sympathy to ringers who had come so far to get a pull and had to return home sadly disappointed and disgusted at the behaviour of the Barnwood men.

EX-SERG. J. WILLIAMS, Hon. Sec., Forest Branch.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****ANNUAL MEETING AT ST. ALBANS.**

There was a large gathering of ringers at the annual meeting of the Hertford County Association, held at St. Albans on Easter Monday, when, at the towers in the city, touches in various methods were rung, followed by evensong in the choir of the Cathedral, at which the attendance was probably a record for these services.

The address was given by the Rev. Canon Green, Rector of Little Munden, who chose for his text the words, 'My helpers in Christ Jesus' (Romans xvi. 3). He said he knew nothing about bell ringing, and had never rung a bell, but he thought those who rang in the church where he ministered would desire to be accounted his 'helpers in Christ Jesus'; that they would desire to be thought of as doing some work for Christ. Church bells were consecrated, but it was much more important that the men who rang them should be consecrated. They had joy in employing their brain and muscle in their work, but it would be as well if they could look upon it as many ringers did, as part of their vocation and ministry in the church. That was a high ideal, and he took it that it was one of the objects of the Association to keep before them that high ideal of the service they rendered.

The business meeting followed 'high tea' at the Abbey Institute. The outgoing President (Mr. W. H. L. Buckingham) presided. Amongst those supporting him were the Dean of St. Albans, Canon Green, Canon Nidd, the Rev. E. H. Evans, Major Wilkinson (Bushey Heath), and Messrs. E. N. Wix and L. C. Head (St. Albans), C. E. Head (Bushey), W. H. Lawrence (Little Munden), and the hon. secretary (Mr. G. W. Cartmel).

There were among those present, including several lady ringers, members from St. Albans, Harpenden, Luton, Hatfield, North Mymms, Hertford, Ware, Cheshunt, Berkhamsted, Hemel Hempstead, Tring, King's Langley, Watford, Bushey, Bushey Heath, Oxhey, Barley, Little Munden, Leighton, Leatherhead, Kensington, Walthamstow, Southgate, and other places.

The Secretary announced receipt of expressions of regret at absence from the Bishop of St. Albans and Canon Papillon.

**NEW MEMBERS.**

The Rev. W. C. Glainsby and Mr. R. E. Norris, of Berkhamsted, were elected honorary members of the Association. The provisional election of Mr. W. J. Nudds (King's Cross) and Mr. W. Ayre (Leverstock Green) was approved, as was the provisional election as life members of Mr. G. H. Cross (Norwich) and Mrs. C. V. Ebberson (Kilburn).

The following members were also elected: Messrs. P. W. Lewis, C. M. Deacon and R. Gulliver (St. Albans Cathedral Society), S. R. Gardener (St. Peter's, St. Albans), B. Malyon, H. Bedford and E. Warner (St. Stephen's, St. Albans), G. Kentish, D. Richardson, A. Symons and J. Dunham (Hatfield), S. Keen and A. Bachelor (Harpenden), H. Shapland (Aldenhurst), A. Tschumi (Bushey), F. Cobb (Bushey Heath), the Rev. Canon S. Green, and Messrs. E. Sharp and F. Oakley (Little Munden), Messrs. F. E. G. Askew and C. J. Badrich (Tring), N. Hayes (Barley), and C. W. Roberts (Kensington), and, as provisional members, Messrs. H. Wood and C. Rollings (Luton).

The financial statement, presented by Mr. Cartmel in the absence of Mr. E. P. Debenham, showed that the receipts totalled £31 12s. 11d., including a balance of £10 8s. 5d. brought forward from the previous year; subscriptions from ringing members, £17 2s.; hon. members, £8 5s.; and life ringing members, £2 15s. The expenditure amounted to £34 5s., leaving a balance of £5 7s. 11d. There was a reserve fund of £28 8s., in addition to over £15 in war stock.

It was explained by the honorary secretary that the depleted balance was accounted for by the drop in ringing subscriptions, while the honorary subscriptions had been raised, and there had been a decrease in the subscriptions for life members. Mr. Cartmel concluded with an expression of thanks to Mr. J. Prewett as auditor.

**A YEAR OF PROGRESS.**

The Hon. Secretary, in his report, said: 'The progress anticipated by me has been fully realised, as evidenced by the peal list, which for variety and the high standard of methods rung has never been reached. Whilst the trade of the country has been slack, bell founders and bell ringers have been exceptionally busy throughout the country. Hertfordshire has found work for many founders, by the casting of a new peal of eight for Bushey Heath, by Mears, and the rehanging of Stevenage, Baldock, Offley, Barley (made into 6), and other bells. Yet what is lacking to-day, according to a recent article in 'The Ringing World,' is enterprise amongst ringers generally. I would suggest that this is not entirely lacking in our Association, and Mr. Maurice Hibbert and Mr. J. Thomas, and their respective bands, are to be congratulated upon "getting out of the rut" by ringing the first peal of Erin Caters and Forward Major for the Association. Forty-five peals have been rung upon tower bells, and one on hawbells during the year, in 30 different churches. There have been 25 different conductors. Eighteen have rung their first peal, and many

others have rung their first in higher methods. The first peal for the Association of Stedman Cinques, Kent Treble Bob Maximus, Cambridge Royal and Erin Caters, is a noteworthy advance, and we congratulate all associated in the performances.

After reference to the progress of the King's Langley, Watford and Royston bands, the Secretary went on to exhort the members to see that they had a representative on the Parochial Councils. "There are still," he added, "people who have vague ideas even of what a bell is like, and know nothing as to how bells are rung, or even their value. You can give your Vicar and Council much help by reporting on the condition of the bells and fittings from time to time. A word of practical advice may often save many pounds." Sympathetic reference was made to the death of Mr. A. T. King, and a tribute paid to his work for ringing, and also to the death of Canon Mills, of Bennington, a warm supporter of the Association. The Secretary again called attention to the Association's photographic album, which was still waiting for photographs of members. The album was a personal memento of men who have done their bit in their day and generation to advance the cause of change ringing, and the Association valued the man who rang Doubles as much as the one who had attained to higher methods. They were all workers together in one noble art. Passing on, the Secretary reviewed the work in the districts, and referred to the splendid services of the District Secretaries. He expressed thanks to them for all they had done, and to the clergy for their help, especially to the Dean of St. Albans for the interest he took in the Association. Thanks were also extended to the hon. members, the auditor, Mr. J. Prewett (who shouldered the work in memory of one who was the brightest ornament of the Association, and one whom they all loved), and the Librarian (Mr. Livermore).

The Hon. Secretary also referred to the setting up of a Benevolent Fund. 'The question of the formation of the fund by which ringers or their dependants might receive, in necessitous times, temporary monetary help, has been simmering in the minds of many ringers for years,' he said, 'and from time to time the subject is brought to our notice by appeals for help appearing in our ringing journal. It is a question needing most thoughtful consideration, and I would suggest that our representative on the Central Council give notice to that body of his intention to raise the whole question at the Whitsun meeting.'

The report was adopted with thanks to the honorary secretary.

In reference to the Benevolent Fund, the Rev. B. Tyrwhitt-Drake, as representative of the Association on the Central Council, said he doubted if such action as Mr. Cartmel had suggested would be possible, as it was felt by the Council that this would have to be done by means of voluntary contributions.

**MR. W. H. LAWRENCE ELECTED PRESIDENT.**

Mr. W. H. L. Buckingham, vacating the position of President, thanked the members for their support during the past two years, and proceeded to propose Mr. W. H. Lawrence, of Little Munden, as his successor.

The proposal was seconded by the Rev. B. Tyrwhitt-Drake (who remarked that Mr. Lawrence had no equal in England in Minor ringing), and was supported by Mr. G. W. Cartmel.

The members gave their unanimous approval to the motion, and the new President, in a brief speech, gave expression to his growing interest in bell ringing, and in the welfare of the Association. He emphasised the fact that their duty constituted a part of the services of the church. The importance of practice and the training of young members was also alluded to.

Mr. E. P. Debenham was re-elected honorary treasurer, and Mr. G. W. Cartmel as honorary secretary, thanks being expressed to both. The ex-President observed that Mr. Cartmel gave much time to the affairs of the Association and to change ringing in general. He felt they could not have a better secretary.

Mr. Cartmel spoke as an original member of the Association, and said his interest in it was unabated.

The Rev. B. Tyrwhitt-Drake was re-elected the representative of the Association on the Central Council, and Mr. E. D. Livermore was re-elected honorary librarian.

On the proposition of Mr. W. H. L. Buckingham, it was decided that a fee of one penny per head shall be charged for all peals rung, in order to assist in defraying the cost of entry in the peal book.

The district secretaries were re-elected.

On the motion of Mr. Lawrence C. Head, seconded by the Rev. E. H. Evans, a vote of thanks was accorded to the Rev. Canon Green for his address.

Replying to the vote of thanks, Canon Green confessed that his experience of bell ringing had not always been an unmixed pleasure. He had had no difficulty with the ringers, but sometimes the outside people had been a little troublesome (laughter).

Thanks were accorded to the Dean of St. Albans and the Vicars of St. Peter's, St. Stephen's and St. Michael's for the use of their towers for ringing during the day, and the Dean, responding in a cheery speech, expressed pleasure at seeing such a large number of young ringers present, which meant that the future success of the Association was assured.



## NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

### EXTENSION OF AREA AND TITLE.

The annual meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch of the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association was held at Wymondham on Easter Monday, when, by kind permission of the Rev. S. Martin-Jones, Vicar of Wymondham, the fine ring of eight bells of the Abbey Church were placed at the disposal of the members.

Luncheon was served at the Green Dragon Hotel, the President (the Dean of Norwich) being in the chair, supported by the Rev. F. C. Oakley, and the following members of the committee, Messrs. G. P. Burton, W. L. Duffield, F. R. Borrett, and the general secretary (Mr. A. L. Coleman). Amongst others present were the Dean's son, the Misses F. L. and H. W. Bill, and Messrs. R. Spight, A. Pickling and G. T. Peggall, officers of the Wymondham company. After luncheon, the President proposed the toast of 'The King,' which was heartily responded to by all the members present.

The officers were re-elected en bloc, on the proposition of Mr. F. R. Borrett, seconded by Mr. R. Spight, and the following new members were elected: Messrs. E. P. King, P. C. Spence, S. J. Briggs, S. Parker, W. Wiseman, together with the re-election of Messrs. E. Chatten and A. J. Woodcock.

### TO EMBRACE WEST SUFFOLK.

The General Secretary (Mr. A. L. Coleman) brought forward the Suffolk Branch motion, viz.: 'That this Ipswich Branch be known henceforth as the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Branch, the branch to remain as heretofore united with Norwich Branch (henceforth to be known as the Norwich Diocesan Branch), forming together one Association covering the two dioceses, to be known in future as the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association of Ringers.'

In supporting the motion, Mr. Coleman said that it had received sanction at a general meeting of the Standing Committee of the Association, and had been passed by the committee of the Suffolk Branch at a meeting held at Ipswich on February 4th 1922, and also by a district meeting of the Saxmundham district, held at Saxmundham on March 18th, 1922. The motion was also coming up for ratification on that day at the general meeting of the Suffolk Branch at Helmingham and Framsgden. In passing, Mr. Coleman said that the motion had already been adopted by members in practice, which was even better than by resolution. However, to bring the motion into accord with the spirit of the new rule dealing with alterations, etc., passed by both branches of the Association, he (Mr. Coleman) moved that the Norfolk Branch do ratify the Suffolk Branch motion; Mr. G. P. Burton seconded, and the Dean of Norwich spoke in support of the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The General Secretary thanked the members warmly on passing the motion, which was a confirmation of that bond of union between the two branches, and for the continuity of many years of close fellowship that has existed with the Norfolk and Suffolk members of the Association.

### RE-ARRANGEMENT OF DISTRICTS.

Mr. F. R. Borrett moved, and Mr. F. Housego seconded, that the East Harling district be disbanded; that the name of the 'Hingham district' be changed to the 'Wymondham district,' and that the parishes of Banham, Bunwell and Tibenham, be transferred to the Wymondham district; East Harling, Garboldisham, Market Weston and Thelnetham be transferred to the Thetford district; Kenninghall and Quidenham be transferred to the Diss district.—The motion was carried, and Mr. George T. Peggall was appointed district secretary for the Wymondham district.

Mr. A. L. Coleman moved that Mr. F. C. Lambert, late of Halesworth, and for 26 years district secretary of the Halesworth district, be transferred to non-resident life membership, in recognition of the many years of valuable service for the welfare of the Association in the Halesworth district.—The motion was carried unanimously.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar of Wymondham for the use of the Abbey church bells, and the President announced that the Whit-Monday (June 5th) meeting would be held at King's Lynn, and the August Bank Holiday (August 7th) meeting at East Dereham.

The members then adjourned to the belfry, and were joined by several more members, including the Misses A. M. and H. L. Durant, of Norwich. The ringing throughout the day was exceptionally good, and touches in the following methods were rung, viz.: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich Court Bob, Superlative Surprise and Cambridge Surprise Major.

A resolution confirming the extension of the title of the Association, and of the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich branch was also carried at a meeting at Helmingham, Suffolk, on Easter Monday.

**OSWESTRY.**—On Monday, April 3rd, 720 Minor (on handbells), in 34 mins.: H. Kynaston 1, H. Hughes 2, J. Hughes 3, W. B. Kynaston 4, R. Kynaston 5, R. Evans (conductor) 6. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor and H. Hughes.

## THE SUFFOLK CONTROVERSY.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Our friends in West Suffolk are perfectly entitled to ask 'Why St. Edmundsbury?' The Norwich Association has recently added St. Edmundsbury to its title, which it does not represent, and never will, I hope.

To fully understand this controversy one has to go back some considerable time to discover the aggressors. It, perhaps may be recalled that early in October, 1913, the Commissioners pronounced their verdict in favour of the division of Norwich and Ely dioceses. Following hard on the heels of this pronouncement we find the then general secretary of the Norwich Diocesan Association making the following statement at Ipswich, October 15th, 1913, which I quote word for word as it appeared in 'The Ringing World' of October 24th, 1913: 'It was clear that when the division took place their territory could not remain as it was. They must either divide, and have two separate associations for the two dioceses or have one association for the two. The latter alternative would mean adding to the present area that part of West Suffolk which up to now has belonged to the Ely Diocese.'

This statement caused some consternation among our members, who regarded it as an indiscretion on the part of the speaker. To the latter alternative, however, the Norwich officials steadfastly adhered, and appointed a sub-committee of four from Norfolk and two from East Suffolk to draw up a list of recommendations, which were distributed in June, 1914, throughout Suffolk.

Now, Sir, this was done entirely without the knowledge of the Ely Association, or its West Suffolk members, and your criticism published August 12th, 1921, under 'The position in Suffolk,' wherein you ask, 'Where the consideration for the Ely Association comes in?' is well merited.

Mr. Wilson, two weeks ago, suggested that a grievance existed between the Ely Association and West Suffolk. Well, if he studies the position carefully, he will find that West Suffolk's grievance was against the Norwich Association for so kindly providing for their future welfare without consulting them. He also suggests that East Suffolk has not been consulted with regard to the new association. May I refer him to the resolution passed at Bury St. Edmunds on May 9th, 1914, which appeared in 'The Ringing World,' August 26th, 1921.

The Norwich Association, rich in funds, has spared no efforts during this long controversy, to convince its members in East Suffolk, that it can provide for their interests, better than they can themselves. If East Suffolk on the whole, is content to swallow that doctrine, that is their affair, but there is great objection to the attitude recently assumed by Norwich officials in attempting to prejudice the new Suffolk Association in the eyes of their brothers in east of the county.

We have only to look at the report of the Lowestoft meeting last August, and there we find the true spirit of Norwich officialdom revealed. Afraid that the new association is going to curb their power in East Suffolk, Mr. Coleman stigmatises the Rev. H. Drake's inquiries among Suffolk clergy as mischievous, and Mr. Burton suggests writing to the new Bishop diplomatically.

The Ely Association has always looked upon the division as one for Suffolk alone to decide, and from that view it will not depart. It relinquished its interests in Suffolk, because it realised the new diocese was entitled to have its own organisation, and enter into the councils of ringers.

If this new association, formed by a few so-called malcontents in West Suffolk, chooses, as it has a perfect right to do, to peacefully penetrate East Suffolk, we fail to see what objection our Norwich neighbours can have? The mere fact that 50 or more members can be obtained by such methods, rather tends to disprove Mr. Burton's contention that East Suffolk is solid to a man for the Norwich Association—Yours,

T. R. DENNIS,

Late General Sec., Ely Association.

### 'POACHING.'

Dear Sir,—Are we not wandering rather far from St. Edmundsbury? If the Norwich Association are desirous of adding St. Edmundsbury to their title it must be because they hope to gain some members from West Suffolk. So they are busy making love to that fair country. But how tactless to make love by finding fault!

Mr. Wilson, the only champion so far in the whole of Suffolk for the Norwich Association, finds fault with the number of change ringers. I do not know whether proportionally the figure is so bad; but at any rate the West Suffolk men are hoping to increase it, or they would not have started a new society. Still, if we are to have numbers considered, let us look at them as a whole and see where in East Anglia are the numbers lowest. We shall then find that it is in Norfolk itself. Therefore, if we are to have an Association for the whole of these two counties, Norfolk and Norwich must come last. Mr. Burton seems to have a sort of wistful pride in the parent-

age of his cumbersome title; but it is allowable to point out, that an even better sounding title would be: St. Edmundsbury, Ipswich and Norwich Association. Then we should no longer have the tail wagging the dog. Instead of having all committee meetings held in the inaccessible City of Norwich (except one every two years the findings of which can be so easily reversed at the next Norwich meeting), we shall hold all our meetings at Ipswich, a town everyone can easily reach (except, perhaps, one every third year at Norwich). How do our Norwich monopolists like the prospect?

At the Stowmarket meeting, the Norwich men found fault with the skill of the West Suffolk ringers. Now the records you publish of peals week by week in West Suffolk, does not justify this complaint. But at any rate the West Suffolk ringers cannot hope to improve their skill by joining the Norwich Association, the only society in my experience which makes no pretence of teaching the art it was founded to foster. The attempts that we in Suffolk have made to remedy this have consistently been thwarted by the Norfolk members. Therefore they cannot blame us if we have a society to do what they refuse to do.

At the Hadleigh meeting the Norwich men found fault with West Suffolk for quarrelling with their old Ely Association. They were told very plainly that nothing of the sort had occurred: that a friendly arrangement had been made with the Ely Association to enable ringing to be organised by a society for each diocese. The Norwich men admitted quite clearly that they had been entirely mistaken in this matter; but what have they done since to make the real position of West Suffolk, which had previously so grievously misrepresented, clear to the other members? It is this misunderstanding which underlies Mr. Wilson's letter. It is quite wrong to treat the West Suffolk men as if they were traitors to their old Association, and wanting ringers in East Suffolk to be similar traitors.

What the Norwich men must ask themselves is the question they so carefully avoid, why they should commit the sin, so unforgivable among ringers, of 'poaching,' which they seem to be contemplating?

Ufford Rectory Woodbridge Suffolk.

H. DRAKE.

April 23rd, 1922.

### THE HELPING HAND.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I wish to acknowledge the following further sums received by myself and Mr. A. Pye, on behalf of the widow of the late Mr. Harry Flanders: Messrs. R. F. Deal, 5s.; J. J. Lamb, 2s. 6d.; H. Dawkins, 2s. 6d.; W. Watson, 2s. 6d.; F. Rainbird, 2s. 6d.; J. Horwood, 6d.; J. N. Frossell, 5s.; H. Miles (Oxford), 2s. 6d.; W. J. Nudds, 2s. 6d.; W. H. Oram, 2s.; W. H. Fussell, 2s.; B. Kilby, 1s.

Our thanks are due, and herewith given, to the above and all others who have so kindly helped, and any further sums will be gratefully acknowledged by yours faithfully,

C. T. COLES.

We beg to acknowledge receipt of 2s. 6d. from Mr. C. S. Burden to the fund for the assistance of Mrs. Ellsmore, widow of the late Mr. Matthew Ellsmore. Further contributions to this fund will be gratefully acknowledged. Mr. Ellsmore was a pioneer of change ringing, and did valuable work many years ago. His widow is now in needy circumstances. Donations should be sent to the Editor of 'The Ringing World,' Woking.

### SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK**—On Easter Day, for 8 a.m. Communion service, 720 Canticle Surprise Minor: P. Steggalls 1. E. Youngs 2. W. Clover 3. A. J. Berry 4. E. F. Poppy 5. W. Rose (conductor) 6.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON**—At Charles Church, on Easter Sunday, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: L. Moses (1st quarter) 1. H. Ashton (1st quarter with a bob bell) 2. W. Richards 3. R. A. H. Dobson 4. W. Rundle (conductor) 5. W. Hornbrook 6. F. Hockaday 7. G. Gomer 8.

**FULBOURN, CAMBS**—On Sunday, April 9th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes): J. Stalley 1. J. Page 2. C. Hall 3. J. Giddens 4. C. E. Patten (conductor) 5. A. Page 6. G. Bridge 7. B. D. Buttress 8. Composed by H. Haigh.

### SITUATIONS WANTED.

Young Man seeks job as Outside Garden Labourer. Change ringer on 6 or 8 bells. Would like to get with good band.—Box 2, 'Ringing World,' Office, Woking.

Young man requires Situation to Drive Car with good long reach owing to stiff leg, wounded in the War, or help in Garage. Willing to help in Garden. Age 32, married, change ringer, 8 and 10 bells.—Box No. 1, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

## NOTICES.

### SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Solihull, Saturday, April 29th. Bells available 3.30. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea and meeting afterwards. Gentlemen invited.—Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, April 29th, at Poulton (six bells.) Visitors welcomed. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 32, Ormond Avenue, Blackpool.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Pelsall, on Saturday, April 29th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 5.15 p.m., with an address.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Festival will be held at Lyme Regis on Saturday, 29th April. Annual meeting in the Old School, near the church, at 2 p.m. President, the Earl of Shaftesbury. Service in St. Michael's Church, 3.30. Address by the Vicar, Rev. W. N. Willson. Collection for Gifford Memorial. Meat tea, 4.30, members 1/-, others 1/6. Bells available: Beamister, Bradpole, Bridport, Lyme Regis, Whitchurch Canonorum (8); Broadwindsor, Chardstock, Uplymes (6); Chideock (5). Notice of attendance should be sent to Mr. T. Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport, Dorset.—F. Ll. Edwards, Sec.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual meeting will be held at Lincoln, on Saturday, April 29th. Evensong at Cathedral, at 4 p.m. Usual ringing arrangements. Tea in Co-operative Hall 5.15, at 2/- per head.—F. W. Stokes, Hon. Sec., Blankney, Lincoln.

**SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Patron: The Right Rev. The Lord Bishop. President: The Ven. Archdeacon Farmiloe. Secretary for Archdeaconry of Sudbury: Rev. R. L. Gardner, Rector of Chelsworth, Ipswich. Secretary for Archdeaconry of Suffolk: Mr. Charles Mee, Sproughton, Ipswich.—A meeting for the whole Diocese will be held in St. Mary-le-Tower Church House, Ipswich, on Saturday, April 29th, at 3 p.m. Bells available from 2 p.m., at St. Mary-le-Tower, St. Margaret's, St. Clement's, and St. Matthew's. All Suffolk ringers are invited to this meeting, so that any opinion may be expressed before the organisation is finally settled. The business will be to finally pass the rules, and arrange the programme for 1922. The subscription (for 1922) was due on January 1st; it is 2s. each for clergy and ringers alike, with an entrance fee of 6d. Honorary Members 5s. the first year, and 2s. 6d. in subsequent years.—Herbert Drake, Diocesan Secretary, Ufford Rectory, Woodbridge, March 28th, 1922.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—The District Annual meeting will be held at Leeds on Saturday, April 29th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short service at 5 o'clock. Tea at the George Inn at 5.45. Business meeting to follow. All subscriptions must be paid at or before this meeting.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Dist. Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch. — The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Deane, on Saturday, 29th April. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Rd., Bolton.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.**—The Annual meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Saturday, April 29th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Business meeting at 7 o'clock.—Samuel Booth, Hon. Sec.

**STEBBING, ESSEX.**—The Annual ringing day will be held at Stebbing on Saturday, April 29th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Short service with address 4 o'clock, followed by tea at 5 p.m. at the Church Room, 1/- each. All ringers welcome.—J. T. Barker (Sec. to Stebbing Company), Hillside, Stebbing, Essex.

**LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Llantrisant (Glam.), on Saturday, April 29th. Service at 4.30; tea and business meeting to follow.—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Wellingborough District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Yardley Hastings on Saturday, April 29th. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. A good attendance is requested.—F. Barber, Dist. Sec.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—The Monthly meeting will be held at Arlesey on Saturday, April 29th. Bells (6) ready at 3. Tea at 5. A good attendance is requested.—C. J. Ball, Dist. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—A meeting will be held at Selby Abbey on Saturday, April 29th. All ringers welcome.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorp, Doncaster.

**SALOP GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at Shifnal, Saturday, April 29th. Ringing, 2 p.m. Meeting, 4.30. Tea, 5.30.—Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec., St. Alkmund's, Shrewsbury.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Mid Devon Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Dawlish on Saturday, April 29th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. Meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than the 25th inst. All ringers welcome.—H. J. Hole, Hon. Sec., 'Tauntonia,' Church St., Paignton.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—A District meeting will be held at Worplesdon on Saturday, April 29th. Bells (6) available at 3. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting after.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Wolvey on Saturday, April 29th. Bells available 4 till 7.30 p.m.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Ditchat on Saturday, April 29th. Service in the Parish Church at 3.15 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on May 2nd and 30th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, 4th; St. Magnus, 11th and 25th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, 16th; and Southwark Cathedral on the 23rd, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Ashchurch on Saturday, May 6th. Service at 5 p.m. Tea provided for those who send me their names not later than the previous Tuesday. The bells (6) will be available.—J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Dorchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Wool on Saturday, May 6th. Bells from 2 p.m. (also Bere Regis and West Lulworth). Guild service at 4.30, followed by tea (kindly provided by the Vicar), and short business meeting.—C. H. Jennings, Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Parish Church, Clitheroe, on Saturday, May 6th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A Ringing meeting will be held at Kingsley on Saturday, May 6th. Please notify me on or before May 1st how many intend to be present from your tower.—E. Steele and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs., 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Stoke-on-Trent.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Bethersden on Saturday, May 6th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chipping Norton Deanery Branch.—The Spring meeting will be held at Hook, Norton, on Saturday, May 6th. Bells (8) available 2 o'clock. Will those who require tea kindly notify me by the previous Saturday?—Jack Keyte, Hon. Sec., Charlbury, Oxon.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Winchester District.—The next meeting will be on Saturday, May 6th, at Cheriton and Titchborne. Bells (6) from 2.30. Tea at the H.H. Inn at 5 o'clock. Those requiring tea please notify me by May 3rd. Members 6d. Visitors 1/- per head.—W. T. Tucker, Dist. Sec., 71, High St., Eastleigh.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held at All Saints', Fulham, on Saturday, May 6th. Tower open from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Committee meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Saxmundham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Rendham on Saturday, May 6th. The bells of the Parish Church (6), also Sweffling (6) available afternoon and evening. All ringers are welcome.—George Wilson, 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Brampton Ash, near Desborough, on Saturday, May 6th. Usual arrangements. Kindly notify me Wednesday, May 4th, those requiring tea.—R. F. Turner, Dist. Sec., 7, Gordon Street, Kettering.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Burghill on Saturday, May 6th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 6 p.m. Parish room, 1/- each those notifying me not later May 2nd.—C. Edwards, Gt. Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Hemel Hempstead.—A Major Practice has been arranged for Saturday, May 6th. Bells available afternoon and evening. All ringers welcome.—W. Ayre.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The Annual meeting is to be held at Chesterfield on May 6th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Preacher, the Assistant Sec., Rev. J. F. Amies. Tea 5 p.m. in St. James' Mission Room, 2/- each. Please notify to Rev. J. F. Amies, Clergy House, Chesterfield. Business meeting after tea.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, May 6th, at Cross Stone. Bells ready at 3. Meeting 6.30. Tea will be provided at the Bay Horse Inn if names are sent in to Miss R. A. Bell, 417, Halifax Road, Todmorden, by Thursday morning's post, May 4th.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 1, Church Street, Middleton.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary Cray on Saturday, May 6th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service and address by the Rev. A. H. Stevenson (Vicar), at 5 p.m. The Vicar has kindly promised to provide tea for those who send their names to me by Tuesday, May 2nd, the latest. Business meeting to follow.—T. Groombridge, Hon. Dist. Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Established 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at Aston on Saturday, May 13th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea at 5.30 in Vicarage Rooms free for all those who send word not later than May 9th of their intention to be present.—A. Paddon Smlth, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Ealing, by permission of the Rev. C. J. Sharp (vicar), on Saturday, May 13th. Ringing from 3. A hearty welcome to all that can come.—W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, Chiswick.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Urchfont on Saturday, May 13th. Bells (8) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Short business meeting after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Penwortham on May 13th. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6. Tea will be provided at a nominal charge of 6d. each.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Central District.—A meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, on Saturday, May 13th. Fuller particulars next week.—E. K. Parker, 17, Wellington Road, Enfield.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next Monthly meeting is to be held at Sandal on Saturday, May 13th, at 2.30 p.m. Members requiring tea must give due notice to Mr. Wm. Rayner, Hill Top, New Miller Dam, Wakefield.—C. D. Potter, Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Port Sunlight on Saturday, May 13th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6. Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, Sec., 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Romford on Saturday, May 13th. Bells ready at 2.30. Service at 4 o'clock. Tea (1/- each), and Meeting to follow. Those requiring tea kindly notify me not later than Monday, May 8th. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—W. H. Theobald, Hon. Dist. Sec., 49, Portway, E. 15.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.—St. Clement Danes, May 1st, 15th and 29th; Bishopsgate, 8th; Wilton Road, 22nd. Sundays at 10 a.m.—St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Near Slough.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—Set of 51 handbells; four octaves chromatic in F; F sharp and G above top F extra. What offers?—Apply, J. Leatherbarrow, 43, Wigshaw Lane, Newchurch, Warrington.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**

LIMITED.

**COVENTRY.**

MAKERS SINCE 1730.

#### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

#### CHEAP PRINTING.

PEAL CARDS, 3/6 doz. Report Books, Stationery, Balance Sheets, and all classes of General and Commercial Printing at lowest prices. Send stamped envelope for new price list of printing, and support your fellow ringers.

GOOD BROS.

31, PRESTONVILLE ROAD, BRIGHTON.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.  
GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.  
STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.  
STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.  
TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.  
PART II.—At present out of print.  
DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.  
All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REY. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

|| THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU. ||

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price ...	22/-	32/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	88/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast, New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make. Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 35/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guildford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 581. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, MAY 5th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

### CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

## BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### SUBJECTS FOR THE COUNCIL.

Little time remains now for notice to be given of any motion to be brought before the Central Council at Whitsun, and any subject which members desire to discuss must quickly be in the hands of the Hon. Secretary, or it will be too late for inclusion in the agenda. We are pleased to see that our endeavours to bring home to the various affiliated associations the importance of taking a more active interest in this matter has not been entirely without result, as, from the reports of the Easter meetings which have been published, there have been some few matters ventilated which may find their way into the agenda of the Council.

For instance, two subjects were brought up for discussion at the Midland Counties Association meeting. One of them was before the Council last year, but no action was taken on account of the absence of the proposer. This motion is to come on again, and deals with the desirability of establishing a bell restoration fund in the area of each ringing association. Another proposal is a suggestion to award certificates of merit in method ringing. At the Herts County meeting the benevolent fund scheme was once more brought forward, although this is a subject in which the Council have been rather shy to take action in the past. At the Worcestershire Association's meeting it was suggested the Council should discuss the best means of preventing the ringing or publication of false peal compositions. Here are subjects of general interest to all ringers which the Council could profitably debate, whatever the ultimate decisions upon them might be.

At the moment we are not concerned with the pros and cons of any of these matters, but what we do feel is that this raising of questions which go outside the purely domestic affairs of ringing organisations must, in the long run, be for the good of the Exercise at large. The Central Council is established in the interests of ringing generally, and it is for the affiliated societies to see that it fulfils its functions. Hitherto, as we have so often pointed out, associations have been content to leave the Council to find work for itself, instead of giving it work to do. We hope that the action of the three associations mentioned is but a prelude to a wider and more direct interest in the business of the Council. We have always felt that, instead of sitting still and criticising the Council for an absence of usefulness, it would be far better if ringers, through their societies, provided the Council with matters to which it might devote its attention; and while we have done our best to move the Council out of the sterile condition into which it was falling, we have always urged that the most effective means of increasing its utility lay with the associations who elect it.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

HUGH SCARLETT ... .. Treble	JAMES C. ADAMS ... .. 6
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 2	ALFRED PYE ... .. 7
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 3	FRED C. MAYNARD ... .. 8
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... .. 4	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 9
WALTER STEED ... .. 5	GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON, STEPNEY,

**A PEAL OF STEEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 31 cwt.

WILLIAM TANNER ... .. Treble	MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... .. 6
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 2	JAMES SCHOLES ... .. 7
WILSON RUSHON ... .. 3	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... .. 8
ROBERT A. FARDON ... .. 4	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 9
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 5	RICHARD F. FORWARD ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

GEORGE B. BOLLAND ... .. Treble	JOE HARDCASTLE ... .. 6
JAMES COTTERELL ... .. 2	JOHN W. CUNDALL ... .. 7
GEORGE NAYLOR ... .. 3	JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 8
JONAS S. AMBLER ... .. 4	THOMAS B. KENDALL ... .. 9
*FIRTH HOPWOOD ... .. 5	FRED SALMONS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by JAMES COTTERELL.

\* First peal on ten bells, and first peal in the method on the bells.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LEWIS, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

LEONARD P. BAILEY ... .. Treble	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 5
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 2	GEORGE WILSON ... .. 6
*GEORGE BAILEY ... .. 3	CHARLES SAMPSON ... .. 7
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 4	ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.  
\* First peal in the method and first attempt. Rung as a compliment to the conductor.

EYE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

HARRY TODD ... .. Treble	*GEORGE BROWN, JUN. ... .. 5
WILLIAM ROSE ... .. 2	ERNEST F. POPPY ... .. 6
WILLIAM CLOVER ... .. 3	WILLIAM BURROWS ... .. 7
ALPHAUS BERRY ... .. 4	DAVID WHITING ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE

\* First peal of Major.

**BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,*

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

ALFRED J. TURNER ... .. Treble	CHARLES PALMER ... .. 5
HENRY GOOD ... .. 2	JOHN DEARLOVE ... .. 6
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 3	ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 7
ARTHUR VERRALLS ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM WILLSON. Conducted by KEITH HART.

**CONISBOROUGH, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION  
AND THE DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**

*On Tuesday, April 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

GEORGE CLARKE ... .. Treble	HENRY WOODHOUSE ... .. 5
*MISS KATHLEEN JACKSON ... .. 2	†HAROLD WALKER ... .. 6
FREDERICK CLARKE ... .. 3	GEORGE HALKSORTH ... .. 7
REV. A. RHYS JAMES ... .. 4	*FREDERICK NEWSOME ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. HAWKSWORTH.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman 'inside.' First peal of Stedman on the bells.

**MIDDLESBOROUGH.  
THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Tuesday, April 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,*

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM JONES ... .. Treble	JAMES B. BUDD ... .. 5
*WILLIAM J. L. NEWTON ... .. 2	HENRY TAYLOR ... .. 6
SYDNEY TUNNELL ... .. 3	WILLIAM BROADLEY ... .. 7
ALBERT HUNTER ... .. 4	THOMAS METCALFE ... .. Tenor

Composed by D. PRENTICE. Conducted by THOMAS METCALFE.

\* First attempt for a peal in any method. The ringer of the 6th hails from Grimsby.

**UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)**

*On Tuesday, April 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*BASIL HULL ... .. Treble	JOHN BAYLISS ... .. 5
†SIDNEY HOLT ... .. 2	ERNEST GIBBS ... .. 6
ERNEST E. BARBER ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 7
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... .. 4	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by S. HOLT.

\* First peal of Triples. † First peal of Grandsire Triples and also first as conductor.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, April 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

MRS. W. WOLSTENCROFT ... Treble	FRANK STONELEY ... .. 5
*WILLIAM FERNLEY ... .. 2	P.C. JOSEPH WILSON ... .. 6
MISS C. THORP ... .. 3	W. W. WOLSTENCROFT ... .. 7
*JOHN P. FIDLER ... .. 4	†P.C. G. BARLOW ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. W. WOLSTENCROFT.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**

**LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.**

**THE SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,*

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt. in D flat.

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. Treble	*FREDERICK MORTLOCK ... .. 5
*FREDERICK LEES ... .. 2	*FREDERICK POULSON ... .. 6
*FRANK TURNER ... .. 3	*LOUIS LEES ... .. 7
STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... .. 4	*THEODORE E. SLATER ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

Peal No. 2, page 48, Snowdon Treatise. \* First peal in the method. This is the first peal in the method for the Suffolk Diocesan Association. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 4th and 5th. Mr. Slater hails from Glemsford.

**COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.**

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

*On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

WILLIAM A. JEAVONS ... Treble	BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. 5
SAMUEL BAKER ... .. 2	ALFRED H. FLETCHER ... .. 6
WILLIAM BAYLISS ... .. 3	WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 7
*THOMAS REYNOLDS ... .. 4	ARTHUR GRAINGER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM FISHER.

\* First peal and first attempt. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to the late Mrs. William Barnsley, wife of Councillor William Barnsley, of Coseley, both being much respected members of the above church.

**BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.**

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

*On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAWRENCE,*

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*HERBERT E. ROBBINS ... Treble	THOMAS BETTISON ... .. 5
WILLIAM LAMBERT ... .. 2	CHARLES MASON ... .. 6
*REV. R. F. WILKINSON ... .. 3	THOMAS RILEY ... .. 7
EDWARD ROBBINS ... .. 4	JOHN FLINT ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a welcome peal to the Rev. J. E. Paget to the incumbency of the parish of Bolsover.

**ROTHWELL, NEAR LEEDS.**

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,*

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE W. STEEL ... .. Treble	GEORGE H. ABBISHAW ... .. 5
GEORGE COPLEY ... .. 2	FRANCIS BARKER ... .. 6
WILLIAM E. H. ASH ... .. 3	STEPHEN STACEY ... .. 7
THOMAS STRANGWAY ... .. 4	WALTER CHAPMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by WALTER CHAPMAN.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the memory of Joseph C. Abbishaw, of the Rothwell company, and a member of the Association for 37 years, who died April 9th, 1922, after an illness of 1½ years. The ringers of 3rd and 6th belong to Leeds, the rest to the local company.

**ORMESBY, YORKSHIRE.**

**THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**

*On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

BROOK'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 15 cwt.

*WILLIAM JONES ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM ELLERINGTON ... .. 5
*HENRY TAYLOR ... .. 2	*WILLIAM BROADLEY ... .. 6
REV. ALBERT SIMPSON ... .. 3	*WILLIAM A. BRECKON ... .. 7
ALBERT HUNTER ... .. 4	THOMAS METCALFE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. A. BRECKON.

\* First peal in the method.



WARNHAM, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE WOODMAN ... .. Treble	JAMES BURDFIELD ... .. 5
ALBERT FEIST ... .. 2	WALTER CHARMAN ... .. 6
*RAYMOND WOOD ... .. 3	JOHN COOK ... .. 7
†PETER CHARMAN ... .. 4	WILLIAM STANFORD ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL. Conducted by W. STANFORD.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.

PENDLETON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Five Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 8096 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

EDWARD JENKINS... .. Treble	HARRY CHAPMAN... .. 5
SAMUEL WOOD ... .. 2	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 6
GEORGE E. TURNER ... .. 3	ARTHUR E. PEGLER ... .. 7
RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 4	GABRIEL LINDOFF ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by G. LINDOFF.

This peal, which contains the last two parts of the 18,000, was rung as a birthday compliment to George E. Turner.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RILEY... .. 5
MISS M. HOULDSWORTH ... .. 2	JONATHAN WHEWELL ... .. 6
ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH... .. 3	JAMES HOULDSWORTH ... .. 7
JAMES SHAW... .. 4	*WILLIAM TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. L. JAMES. Conducted by J. HOULDSWORTH.

Arranged for W. Taylor, of Preston. \* First peal in the method.

RANMOOR, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

MRS. MELVILLE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... .. 5
MRS. HAZELDEN ... .. 2	GEORGE TOMSETT ... .. 6
JOHN WHITE... .. 3	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 7
ERNEST WEATHERBY ... .. 4	HARRY HARRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES HAZELDEN.

This was Mr. W. R. Melville's 50th peal, and was rung on the nearest convenient date to celebrate his 50th birthday.

DORE, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

GEORGE M. THORPE .. .. Treble	A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... .. 5
*WALTER BINGHAM ... .. 2	WILLIAM T. PALMER ... .. 6
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... .. 3	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 7
FREDERICK E. SMITH ... .. 4	WILLIAM BIGGIN ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by B. A. KNIGHTS.

\* First peal on an 'inside' bell.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

FREDERICK BORRETT... .. Treble	ALFRED SMITH ... .. 5
*HERBERT PIERCEY ... .. 2	*JAMES BOUGHTON ... .. 6
CHARLES BAKER... .. 3	ERNEST WHITING ... .. 7
JAMES TANN ... .. 4	CHARLES ROOPE... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. BORRETT.

\* First peal in the method.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, April 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

OWEN H. GILES ... .. Treble	D. CECIL WILLIAMS ... .. 5
REGINALD BROWN ... .. 2	CHARLES J. FRAY ... .. 6
GEORGE PULLINGER ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... .. 7
WALTER G. ROWE ... .. 4	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of Miss Ida H. Willis-Fleming, of North Stoneham House, and Lt.-Col. P. J. House, of Privett Place, Alverstoke, which took place at All Saints', Ryde, on this date.

SOUTHLEIGH, OXON.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, April 25, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-GREAT,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb.

RICHARD KEEN ... .. Treble	FREDERICK WEBB ... .. 5
MRS. A. E. LOCK... .. 2	JOHN MONK ... .. 6
HARRY HOLFIELD ... .. 3	GORDON CAUDWELL ... .. 7
ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 4	JESSE BOWERMAN... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN MONK.

RICHMOND, SURREY.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, April 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

LIONEL H. PAGE... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. HOLLIER ... .. 5
EDWARD J. WALSON ... .. 2	ARTHUR HARDING ... .. 6
HORACE BELCHER ... .. 3	FRANK SKEVINGTON ... .. 7
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 4	EDWARD HARRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK SKEVINGTON.

This peal was attempted for Princess Mary's wedding on Feb. 28th, but came to grief after 1 hour 32 minutes, and at the request of the Vicar (Rev. I. F. Kendal) at the time it was decided to try again on the first convenient date after Easter.

LONG STANTON, CAMBS.  
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, April 28, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.

*WALTER HAWKER ... .. Treble	MISS V. SHORTER ... .. 5
FRED J. COOK ... .. 2	GEORGE CRISP ... .. 6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3	CHARLES W. COOK ... .. 7
JOHN B. WOOLLEY ... .. 4	REV. H. B. WOOLLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES W. COOK.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor.

CHELMSFORD.—At the Cathedral on Easter Eve, for service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,263 changes): A. Edwards (conductor) 1, T. Lincoln 2, L. J. Clark 3, W. Lincoln 4, C. Pease 5, P. Timson 6, H. Head 7, J. Wood 8, A. Head 9, W. Pease 10.—Also for evening service, on Easter Day, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 49 mins.: A. Saltmarsh 1, O. Gentry (first 'inside') 2, H. Allen 3, L. J. Clark 4, C. Pease 5, J. Wood 6, P. Timson (first as conductor) 7, W. Pease 8.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

SPRINGFIELD, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

*JOHN H. MYHILL ... .. Treble	*ALBERT E. DAVIS ... .. 4
†WILLIAM E. PRAILL ... .. 2	*EDWARD A. KEMP ... .. 5
*ISAAC T. POULTON ... .. 3	EDWARD P. BUCKINGHAM...Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD P. BUCKINGHAM.

First peal on the bells and rung at the first attempt. \* First peal.  
† First peal away from treble, also first peal of Minor as conductor.  
The peal was rung in honour of the Rector's appointment to a Canonry of Chelmsford Cathedral and as a birthday compliment to Mr. I. T. Poulton.

STANTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, April 19, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of College Single, and two 720's each of Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

JOSEPH HALL ... .. Treble	JAMES HEMMING ... .. 4
THOMAS HANDS ... .. 2	EX-SGT. JOSEPH D. JOHNSON 5
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... 3	FREDERICK J. JOHNSON...Tenor

Conducted by J. HEMMING.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. John Hall and Miss Edith M. Wiggins, who were married at the above church on the same day.

BONVILSTON, GLAM.  
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM SAMUEL ... .. Treble	FRED HANNINGTON ... .. 4
ALFRED HANNINGTON, SEN. 2	ALFRED HANNINGTON, JUN. 5
EDWARD THOMAS ... .. 3	WILLIAM COLES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. HANNINGTON, JUN.

First peal and first attempt by the local band, also first peal on the bells.

KEMERTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob & Grandsire. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

JOHN BAYLISS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 4
JAMES HEMMING ... .. 2	*OLIVER ATTWOOD ... .. 5
SIDNEY HOLT ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. CAMM.

First peal on the bells. \* First peal in seven methods 'inside.'  
W. Ranford's 100th peal, rung in 50 different towers and 4 counties.

STOKESAY, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 12 cwt.

HUBERT JONES ... .. Treble	WILLIAM MEAD ... .. 4
WILLIAM R. NASH ... .. 2	DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 5
REV. HAROLD J. SCOTT ... 3	ARTHUR MASON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by D. T. MATKIN.

Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson (Master of the Ludlow district) and Mrs. Richardson, of Hopesay. It was also a birthday compliment to Mr. John Hill, an old and respected member of the Ludlow band. Treble, 2nd, 5th and 6th ringers are from Ludlow, 3rd and 4th from Clun.

PENISTONE, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Sandal, Kingstone, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Duke of York, Violet and Oxford. Tenor 18 cwt.

LEWIS WILKINSON ... .. Treble	THOS. HILTON ... .. 4
JOHN R. BREARLEY ... .. 2	ARTHUR GILL ... .. 5
CHAS. WALSH ... .. 3	GEORGE HILL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE HILL.

LONGHOPE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt. approx.

JESSE GILLET ... .. Treble	THOMAS BALDWIN ... .. 4
CHARLES H. AUSTIN ... .. 2	HERBERT BECKETT ... .. 5
JOHN AUSTIN ... .. 3	EX-SGT. J. WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

These bells, originally five, have been increased to six by the addition of a treble, and rebung by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, the work being carried out in a most satisfactory manner. It is hoped to increase them to eight shortly. First peal on the bells.

BRISTOL.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's. Tenor 14½ cwt.

*STANLEY ISAACS ... .. Treble	S. BADMAN ... .. 4
STEPHEN THOMAS ... .. 2	WALTER REED ... .. 5
FRED LEAKER ... .. 3	GEORGE TUDBALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by STEPHEN THOMAS.

\* First peal. This peal was arranged for the ringing of the 5th, of Bristol and Kelham Theological College, also in honour of the re-election of the churchwardens, Mr. C. Willis and Mr. G. Dunster, and for St. George's Day. Many thanks are due to the Rector (Rev. Gordon Arrowsmith) for the use of the bells.

WALTON-LE-DALE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Monday, April 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Court, Oxford Single Bob, College Single, Plain Bob, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

ROBERT J. ARMSTRONG ... Treble	*HAROLD WALMSLEY ... .. 4
CHARLES W. ECCLES ... .. 2	EDWARD ARMSTRONG ... .. 5
E. R. MARTIN ... .. 3	ALBERT E. WOODHOUSE ... Tenor

Conducted by E. R. MARTIN.

\* First peal 'inside.' Rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. Henry Robinson, the sexton of the above church, also on his completion of 60 years as a service ringer. It was also a birthday compliment to E. Armstrong.

DALLINGTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

WILLIAM R. PARKER ... .. Treble	SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE ... .. 4
FRED WILFORD ... .. 2	FRANK ROLLINGS ... .. 5
THOMAS LAW ... .. 3	FRED HOPPER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRED HOPPER.

LINCOLN.—On Thursday, March 23rd, at the Cathedral, a quarter-peal (1,280) of Double Norwich C.B. Major, in 54 mins.: 1. Vickers 1. C. McGuinness (first in the method) 2. J. Walden 3. G. Flintham 4. C. Chester 5. S. J. Wolfe 6. W. Clarke 7. J. A. Freeman (conductor) 8. Rung as a farewell to Mr. W. Clarke, who is leaving Lincoln.

The following peals were rung for the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association, during a week's holiday round Framlingham:—

### FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK

On Wednesday, April 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr.

WILLIAM G. CRICKMER ... Treble	GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... 5
HOBERT E. SMITH ... 2	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... 6
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ... 3	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... 7
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 4	ALFRED H. PULLING ... Tenor

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Pulling.

### HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

On Friday, April 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

GEORGE WHITING ... Treble	GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... 5
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ... 2	WILLIAM T. LAST ... 6
GEORGE PRYKE ... 3	EDWARD E. LANHAM ... 7
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 4	ALFRED H. PULLING ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

### IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

(The St. Mary-Le-Tower Society.)

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary-Le-Tower,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt in C sharp.

WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... Treble	JAMES ROSE ... 7
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... 2	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD ... 8
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 9
EDWARD EVANS ... 4	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... 10
ROBERT H. BRUNDLE ... 5	FREDERICK J. TILLET ... 11
HENRY C. GILLINGHAM ... 6	ERNEST F. POPPY ... Tenor

Composed by W. L. CATCHPOLE. Conducted by G. E. SYMONDS.

W. G. Whitehead hails from Bushey. First peal as conductor on 12 bells.

### FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.

On Monday, April 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

#### A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN Treble	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 5
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 2	WILLIAM T. LAST ... 6
WILLIAM J. GROOM ... 3	ERNEST E. GRIMES ... 7
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... 4	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by W. C. RUMSEY.

\* First peal in the method on an 'inside' bell.

### LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

On Wednesday, April 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Margaret,

#### A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

*WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN Treble	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... 5
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... 6
GEORGE WILSON ... 3	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... 7
FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 4	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by C. F. BAILEY.

\* First peal of Bristol.

### DISS, NORFOLK.

On Thursday, April 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb. in D.

WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN Treble	JOHN SOUTER ... 5
*ALFRED H. WATSON ... 2	TOM C. FORD ... 6
CLEMENT J. MORE ... 3	ERNEST F. POPPY ... 7
CHARLES ARCHER ... 4	ALFRED H. PULLING ... Tenor

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

\* First peal of Stedman.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

MAIDENHEAD, BERKS.  
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, April 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
At 7, BELMONT VALE.

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT's TEN-PART.

Tenor size 14 in D.

JOHN A. MARTIN ... 1—2	GEORGE MARTIN ... 5—6
ARTHUR MARTIN ... 3—4	ARTHUR MARTIN, JUN. ... 7—8

Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN. Witness: MRS. MARTIN.

First peal on handbells by all. First peal by John A. Martin, aged 12, and Arthur Martin, junr., aged 14. Rung as a birthday compliment to Arthur Martin.

### CHISLEHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND  
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sunday, April 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
At 35, ALBANY ROAD.

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 20 in E flat.

FREDERIC GROOMBRIDGE ... 1—2	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. ... 5—6
ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 3—4	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... 7—8

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.  
Umpires: JAMES FORD and CYRIL BRETT-SMITH.

\* First peal of Major 'in hand.'

### HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At 5, KING'S HEAD STREET.

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the Performer.

Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

### MAIDENHEAD, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, April 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,  
At 7, BELMONT VALE.

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT's TEN-PART.

Tenor size 14 in D.

JOHN A. MARTIN ... 1—2	GEORGE MARTIN ... 5—6
ARTHUR MARTIN ... 3—4	*LEONARD W. COPSEY ... 7—8

Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN.

Witness: MRS. MARTIN.

\* First peal of Grandsire Triples 'in hand.'

## BARNSELY & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting was held at Penistone, on Saturday, April 15th, when the weather was a succession of rain and snowstorms. The town is, as the name indicates, one of stone; it is also suggestive of the Pennine range of hills that pass above. It is stated to be the highest market town in England. The church is a splendid building, noble in its ancient and unpretending dignity, rich in style, but sparing in ornament. A chapel has been renewed in memory of the fallen in the great war, and of this it may be said the work has been so reverently done that none can refuse to pay due homage.

The following towers were represented at the meeting: Anston, Barnsley, Darfield, Crofton, Sandal, Hoylandswaine, and members of the local company.

Tea and meeting were held in the Church Schoolroom. The Vicar (the Rev. Whittington, Rural Dean of Silkstone) kindly welcomed the visitors to the church and town. His praise of bells as instruments of the church and of the ringers as workers were very real and appropriate. His duties as Rural Dean, he said, caused him to examine the bells and their belongings, and also the ringing chambers. He was pained to find in some places used up matches. This did not satisfy him, when thinking of the danger from fire, and he hoped ringers would co-operate against this, and thereby prove the ringing room to be a sacred part of the church.

The President, in reply, warmly upheld the ringers' position in the church and their duties, and said he hoped all clergymen would prove as good as the Rural Dean. With such grand help, they could only try to be worthy church workers.

Mr. James Tinker was elected a member of the Association, and Sandal received most votes for the next meeting, which is to be held there on Saturday, May 13th.

**DEATH OF A SWINDON RINGER.**

The Swindon Parish Church Guild of Ringers have lost through the death of Mr. Thomas Robinson, one of the original band who took up change ringing under the guidance of the late Mr. Owen Wallis Layng in the eighties. The deceased succumbed to that malignant and dreaded disease, cancer, and after a recent operation passed to his rest on Saturday, April 8th, at the age of 57 years. The deceased lost his wife some few years ago, and leaves a grown-up family of three sons and two daughters.

He was buried on Maundy Thursday, the first part of the ceremony taking place at the Parish Church, and the body laid to rest in the Swindon Cemetery.

The bells were rung half-muffled as the funeral cortege was approaching and leaving the church. The service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. C. A. Mayall. The whole pull and stand was rung at the conclusion by A. Lawrance 1, E. Bishop 2, R. W. Hyner 3, A. W. Bond 4, T. Ricketts 5, C. J. Gardiner 6, J. H. Shepherd 7, A. W. Harrington 8. The deceased took part in the first peals of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Treble Bob and Double Norwich in Swindon, and has altogether rung about 70 peals, mostly for the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association. He was a fine striker, and a most reliable ringer, seldom making a trip, and he will be very much missed in Swindon Parish Church tower, where he was a regular service ringer, when his health permitted.

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.****MANCHESTER BRANCH.**

The monthly meeting of the Manchester Branch was held at Christ Church, Pendlebury, on Saturday, April 22nd. Ringing commenced about 5.30, members being rather late in turning up. It would save disappointment if the ringing would begin about the time stated in the notice.

At the business meeting, the Vicar took the chair, and gave a warm welcome to the visitors, although they were not quite so numerous as on previous occasions.

Stretford was selected for the next meeting, on Saturday, May 20th. Mr. Harold Chapman was elected a member of the Association, and the Branch Secretary explained the reason why the meeting was not held at St. John's, Deansgate, as had been first decided upon.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar for presiding, also to the local ringers, closed the meeting, and ringing in the standard methods continued till a later hour.

**THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**

The forty-first quarterly meeting of the Warwickshire Guild was held at Solihull on April 22nd. The bells were available at 3 p.m., and members were present from Allesley, Berkswell, Birmingham, Coventry, Erdington, Exhall, Knowle, Nuneaton, Stoke, and the local tower.

The Guilds' service was conducted in church by the Rector (Canon T. B. Harvey Brooks, M.A.), who gave an instructive address, and after service explained various items of interest connected with the building.

Owing to illness near the church, ringing on the tower bells was abandoned after tea, which had been served in capital style at Dascombe's Cafe in High Street.

For the business meeting an adjournment was made to the comfortable and spacious ringing chamber. The meeting was presided over by the President (Canon H. C. A. Back, M.A.), who extended his usual invitation to the Guild to hold the June meeting at Berkswell, an invitation which it is always a pleasure to accept.

Canon Back was supported by Mr. A. Roberts (Ringing Master), and Mr. G. A. Martineau, of the local band.

Monks Kirby was decided on for the May meeting and this year Warwick is the venue for the annual meeting, in July.

Three new members were elected.—Votes of thanks were accorded the Rector for use of the bells, and for his address, and also to the President.

There being no tower bells going, extra use was made of the hand-bells in various methods.

**CHELTENHAM RECORD CELEBRATED.**

Members of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association rang a quarter-peal of Stedman Cinques, in 55 minutes, on Saturday, April 22nd, at the Church of St. Mary, Cheltenham, to celebrate the record peal of Grandsire Caters (15,227 changes), rung there in 9 hrs. 45 mins. on April 22nd, 1889: W. T. Pates 1, G. H. Phillott, M.A., 2, A. W. Humphris 3, C. W. Martin 4, G. Walters 5, W. Brinkworth 6, H. Halford 7, A. C. Caudle 8, W. Townsend 9, A. G. Hannis 10, J. F. Ballinger 11, J. Parsons 12. It was the longest touch of Stedman Cinques on the bells, and was composed and conducted by W. T. Pates.

At St. Peter's Church, Leckhampton, for evening service, on Sunday, April 23rd, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 40 mins.: W. T. Pates 1, G. H. Phillott 2, A. W. Humphris 3, A. F. Hunt 4, A. C. Caudle 5, J. F. Ballinger 6, G. Walters (conductor) 7, W. Hunt 8.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE**  
**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and**

**Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD**

**LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

A reprint of the diagrams of Snowdon's 'Standard Methods' has now been completed, and can be obtained (price 1s. 6d.) from Mrs. Laura Snowdon, Cartmel, Lancashire. The complete work (letter-press and diagrams) can be had for 2s. 10d.

On May 5th, in 1817, a peal of 12,312 Tittum Grandsire Caters, 'the greatest achievement of change ringing in England by ten men only' (as the tablet records), was rung at Painswick in 7 hours 44 minutes. Except for one of the band, who died at the age of 50, all this company lived to a ripe old age, one, Giles Mansfield, reaching nearly a century. Of the rest three passed 70 years, and five exceeded eighty years.

The first peal of Grandsire Bob Maximus was rung at Southwark on Monday, May 7th, 1792, by the Cumberland Youths. It was called by John Reeves, and William Shipway took part in it. A peal of 5,040 in the method was rung on June 12th, 1815, at Birmingham, and claimed to be the first in the method, but Jasper Snowdon's investigations brought the earlier and longer peal to light.

In 1777, on May 10th, the Cumberlands rang 10,200 Treble Bob Royal in 7 hours 40 minutes, at Shoreditch. This was one of the peals which figured in the rivalry between the society and the College Youths for the longest length.

May 11th is the anniversary of the 14,112 London Surprise Major record, rung in 8 hours 40 minutes at King's Norton, in 1903.

On May 5th, 1887, the first peal in the county of Dorset was rung at St. Mary's, Bridport.

Sunday next is the 34th anniversary of the 10,176 of Kent Treble Bob Major, rung at Foxearth, Essex, on May 7th, 1888, in 5 hours 55 minutes. It was composed by W. Harrison, and conducted by Charles Sillitoe. Does this peal still stand as the Treble Bob record in the county of Essex?

The meeting of the South and West District of the Middlesex County Association, arranged for May 13th, at Ealing, has been unavoidably postponed to the 27th inst.

The attention of conductors of peals for the Midland Counties Association is directed to a notice in another column.

A flag day, organised by the Mayor and Mayoress of Gravesend, in aid of the Bell Restoration Fund, on Saturday week, realised £255, and, we understand, the fund now stands at over £250.

The first peal of Cinques in Yorkshire was rung at Leeds, on May 1st, 1842. By a typographical error it was stated last week that the year was 1892.

The Vicar of Arundel has, by special desire, kindly granted the use of the bells (eight) to all ringers wishing to avail themselves of a combined practice, and the local ringers will be glad to see a goodly number take advantage of this offer, the object of which is to render a little assistance to those willing to learn, and also that advanced ringers may meet for good ringing on their own. The first practice will take place on Saturday evening, May 13th, 6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m., and then on each succeeding Saturday in the month.

Elijah Roberts, the first of the peal 'tappers' was born on May 7th, 1807. He eventually committed suicide at Liverpool.

## DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

The annual meeting of the East Devon Branch was held at Colyton on Easter Monday, and was highly successful. The morning and early part of the afternoon were devoted to visits to Axminster, Lyme Regis, Kilminster and Seaton, by ringers from Ottery St. Mary, Honiton, Bucknell, Talaton and Seaton. A service was held at St. Andrew's Church, Colyton, at which the Vicar (the Rev. H. S. Wyatt) gave an appropriate address, and welcomed the ringers. Tea was laid in the Church Hall, where the annual business meeting followed. Mr. Edwin Shepherd, Exeter, presided, and among those who attended were the Revs. H. S. Wyatt (Colyton), R. S. Powell (general hon. secretary, Devon Guild), Mr. T. G. Bartlett (hon. treasurer, Devon Guild), Mr. A. S. Hutchinson (Shute), Mr. A. J. P. Skinner (Colyton), Mr. D. G. Taylor (Ilminster), Mr. Jeans (Bridgwater), Mr. J. H. Godfrey (hon. secretary and treasurer).

The Chairman tendered thanks to the Rev. H. S. Wyatt for his address at the service.

The Rev. L. B. Stallard, Vicar of Ottery St. Mary, was elected a member, and chairman of the branch, in succession to the Rev. J. W. Metcalfe, and Mr. J. H. Godfrey was re-elected honorary secretary and treasurer, and thanked for his past services.

Mr. Godfrey said he was gratified that so many ringers had met; he also thanked Mrs. Wyatt and the ladies who had kindly provided tea.

Mr. D. G. Taylor (Ilminster), a member of the Bath and Wells Association, suggested that bands of ringers from various towers should meet at such gatherings as that, so that those experienced in scientific ringing could make others more competent.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Sidmouth on August Bank Holiday.

The meeting concluded with thanks to the clergy for the use of the bells, and Mr. E. Shepherd for presiding.

## THE LONG PEAL AT APPLETON.

By EDGAR HUMFREY.

As one of the few ringers who had the privilege and great pleasure of hearing the last two hours of the long peal on the lovely bells at Appleton, may I add a few words to what will surely be said by others more capable.

First, I think it was unfortunate that, probably owing to short notice, the reasons for which we were told, so few ringers were present from a distance, only about a dozen, besides twice as many local enthusiasts being in the village. Moreover, I think it was a pity that some competent ringer was not engaged and provided with the peal figures, 3 or 4 meals, and a comfortable seat near by, and so have furnished the Exercise with a reliable witness of this great performance.

As a mere listener, I should like to say how greatly I was impressed with the wonderful regularity and real excellence of the striking during the last two hours' ringing, when one might reasonably be expecting to hear—if not any mistakes—at least some bell lagging. Not so, but according to careful tests by the second hand of my watch exactly 29 changes to the minute were being rolled off with wonderful precision, and the course ends came up in grand style. As a small matter of mathematics it will be seen that if 29 changes per minute had been the speed throughout the peal the time would have been 12 hours and 13 minutes, but the time being 12 hours and about 25 minutes, the average speed was a fraction under 28½ changes per minute, so that in the last 'lap' at 29, the speed was just above the average.

It was remarkable to see the keen interest in the peal taken by all one met in this old ringing village. Some worthy rustic remarked, 'I think they be gvain to get un this time,' and the reply from another, 'I hopes they 'ull too,' showed that the parishioners were following the ringing with earnest interest.

At a quarter to 8 p.m., the welcome result was known by rounds coming up and tapered off as though the peal was starting, and, then in a moment, a clean 'stand.' Cheers and hand clapping from a mixed crowd round the tower door followed the shout of 'all right' from the belfry, and more for each man as he came outside—the greatest being given to the local tenorman, the next to the worthy conductor.

All of them showed signs of severe strain, but really much less than one might have expected to see, and they went off to seek refreshment without any persuasion or assistance.

'Well done, Langdon.' The best credit is due to you and your worthy band. It was a masterful performance, worthy of record for all time, and who shall say 'We will beat it'?

## THE COMPOSITION.

By H. G. Miles.

231456789	261354978	265314978
(1) 561423978	(2) 315462879	(4) 312654879
(b) 563124 16	followed by	followed by
564321 16	calling from (b)	calling as from (b)
465123 5 16	in first part	in first part, until
463521 16	produces	214365879
461325 16	615231879	Rounds next change.
164523 5 16		This part contains 33
163425 16	(3) 165423978	courses.
361524 5 16	followed by	
364125 16	calling from (b)	(4) Produced by bobs
365421 16	as in first part	at 2. 5. 9, single at 11,
Four times repeated,	produces	bobs at 15. 16.
calling first course	265314978	
in each part		
4 5 16	(2) Produced by bobs	
produces	at 2. 7. 8. 9. S at 13,	
261354978	bob at 16.	
(1) Produced by	(3) Produced by bobs	
Singles at 1. 3. 8. 12.	at 2. 5. 6. 9. 16.	
bobs at 6. 9. 13.		

Mr. Herbert Langdon, the conductor of the peal, desires, through the medium of 'The Ringing World' to thank the many friends who have sent kind messages of congratulation to himself and the band.

## STEDMAN TRIPLES.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I have just returned from Belgium, and looking over your valuable paper, I saw in the number of April 14th, 1922, what is supposed to be an odd and even bob peal of Stedman Triples, by Mr. A. J. Pitman, of Port Talbot, Glam. I must say that the peal is a good variation of mine, published on March 10th, 1922, which he has evidently been working from, but having so many courses with odd bobs only, it spoils the peal. Now, if Mr. Pitman will work out a true course that will run to 60 courses he will do better.—Yours, etc.,

JOHN CARTER.

## NEW METHODS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Mr. Barber says my letter of the 7th April is not very encouraging to a progressive band. I fail to see where any progress is made when you go from Bristol to Premier, for, if anything, Premier is simpler than Bristol to ring. He says in Bristol you get 5-6 at home for three leads; in Premier you get them for three courses. You can have 5-6 at home three courses in Bristol if you like. I have called peals of Bristol with the 6th 12 courses at home, but you cannot get the music that you get out of long courses. The music comes most with the large bells behind. He amuses me when he says Bristol is monotonous with too many calls. If he takes my advice he will think a little more before writing again. I do not think I am wrong when I say he has called peals of Forward, Duffield, Erie and Double Superlative, and if you can find four methods that are more monotonous than these, I should like to see them. They are nothing but calls. If you do get six calls in 9 leads, with 2 W, 2 H, 2 M, in Bristol, the work behind during that time is shared by six different bells; there are four different kinds of work, and you get plenty of music, whereas in Double Superlative you are crowding two bobs into a lead, and while you keep doing it, the trouble is sandwiched between the same two bells and spoiling the method in the bargain.

I have never yet heard any ringer say he got tired of the back work of Bristol, and I have rung peals of Bristol with a great number of ringers. I do not think I am wrong when I say Mr. Barber's knowledge of Bristol is limited, as I believe, writing from memory, the peals of Bristol he has rung can be counted on the fingers of one hand. I evidently hit the nail on the head when I said these methods only appealed to those who jumped at anything that is fresh, and I know he was always inclined to do that. He is welcome to continue, as far as I am concerned; but there is no need for others to be criticised because they do not feel disposed to do the same.

In reply to Mr. Holdsworth, I may say I have not seen Northampton recently, and almost forget what it was like, but I have always scanned those new methods pretty closely, and I do not think I should have missed it had it been so intricate. As to it being in class 10, I should not pay much attention to that. I should be loth to fall in with the way points are given for methods. Some of them are absolutely ridiculous. I have had enough experience at Surprise Methods to know which are the most difficult, without being guided by the Points Committee.—Yours,

W. PYE.

## YORKSHIRE SURPRISE.

Dear Sir,—In his letter of the 14th April, on the subject of new methods, Mr. Pye says Cambridge is the most perfect Surprise Method ever produced, and has an advantage that no other Surprise Method possesses, viz., that it will extend to any number of bells without introducing any adulteration.

He must have overlooked Yorkshire, which extends as perfectly as Cambridge, and is a much more perfect method.—Yours, etc.,

A. CRAVEN.

## REAL DOUBLE SUPERLATIVE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Mr. Parker, in his letter of April 21st, says that there are 9,600 changes available with tenors together. I think that he will agree with me that there are not 9,600 only, but 10,560. A perusal of the enclosed three part peal will explain.

I cannot accept any blame for the interpretation of those who thought (when claiming a composition with over 9,000 tenors together) that I meant continuously; for the most green of my variety knew that 30 courses was the limit.—Yours truly,

F. H. DEXTER.

I have used Mr. Parker's description of the calls in the following peal, which was composed in June, 1921.

## 10,080 REAL DOUBLE SUPERLATIVE MAJOR.

23456	a	W	b	H
45236				
53462	x		x	
56524	x		x	
62345	x		x	
24653	x		x	
24536	x		x	
65324	x			
43265	x			
52643	x			
36452	x			
52436	x			
23564	x		x	
36245	x		x	
Before 64352				
64523	x		x	
35264	x			
42635	x			
56342	x			
42356	x			

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE SUFFOLK CONTROVERSY.

### EAST SUFFOLK RINGERS CONFIRM EXTENSION.

A well-attended meeting of the Ipswich Branch of the Norwich and Ipswich Association was held at Helmingham on Easter Monday. The bells at Helmingham, Framsden and Oley were at the disposal of members all day, and were kept going by ringers from Debenham, Framlingham, Earl Soham, Cretingham, Ipswich, Thornham, Hadleigh, etc.

The Rev. Wm. C. Pearson presided at the business meeting, and expressed the regrets of the Revs. Garrett, Wood and Dewing, who were unable to be present, as Easter Monday was a very busy day with them.

Three new members were elected, and Captain A. E. Reeves, of Holton, was elected a representative on the Central Council in place of the Rev. H. Drake, resigned.

Mr. E. Evans, branch secretary, proposed 'that this Ipswich Branch be known henceforth as the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Branch, the branch to remain as heretofore united with the Norwich Branch, henceforth to be known as the Norwich Diocesan Branch, forming together one Association covering the two Dioceses, to be known in future as the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association.' He said that the average person reading the correspondence which has been appearing in 'The Ringing World' during the last few weeks would think that ringers in East Suffolk were held by the hand; one might almost say 'the scruff of their necks,' and compelled to continue members of the Norwich and Ipswich Association, instead of being free agents and quite able to follow out their own wishes. In the first letter that appeared, the writer took exception to 'St. Edmundsbury' Branch, etc. This was the first intimation to ringers that there was such a thing as a St. Edmundsbury Branch, as West Suffolk had always been looked upon as the Archdeaconry of Sudbury, and ringers in that district as members of the Ely Diocesan Association. These members discontinued their position of annual subscribers to Ely for the purpose of forming a new association. This would have been quite all right if they had kept to their own territory, instead of which they formed a County (afterwards altered to Diocesan) Association and encroached on territory already admirably served; holding meetings in various parts, with the object of drawing members away from their old association. This writer also spoke of the 'shady' action of leaving a weak society to further strengthen a strong one; he said nothing of the still more shady action of trying to split up one strong society into two weak ones. On April 7th there appeared a letter from the Rev. H. Drake, stating that the alteration of title was made at a committee meeting at which a quorum (as required by Rule 2 of Branch Rules) was not formed. This was, absolutely false, as those present were Messrs. Fisher, Mee, Poppy, Symonds and Wilson. He (the Secretary) being confined to the house with influenza. Mr. Symonds kindly acted in his place. This meeting of the committee discussed the matter, and decided that it should come up for consideration and ratification at that Branch meeting.

'What view,' continued the Secretary, 'do the clergy of East Suffolk take of the matter? This is best answered by the fact that the Bishop of the Diocese (who is one of our patrons) said at the meeting of the proposed Suffolk Diocesan Association on February 4th that he had no wish to interfere with present arrangements, and that of 230 circulars sent out by Mr. Drake, asking the clergy's opinion on the subject of a Diocesan Association, only about 50 were returned, and these were not all in favour of it. What object is there in forming this association? Can they give us a better organisation than we have at present? Most decidedly not; if there is room for spare work in East Suffolk (as another correspondent to "The Ringing World" would have us believe), and I do not say that we are perfect how much more so is the case in West Suffolk? Can they place us in a stronger position financially? The very fact that we are asked to break away from 400 annual subscribers and take in 80 to 100 is sufficient answer to this question, added to which the subscription of hon. members is at a reduced figure, and, I am sure, will not be compensated by additional members.'

'The sole object of this proposed society,' added Mr. Evans, 'is to provide a Diocesan Association for Suffolk and this we are in a better position to do than any new society that can be formed for this object; therefore, I propose that the title of this Association be altered from the "Norwich and Ipswich" to the "Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association," and this Branch be known as the "St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Branch."'

This was seconded by Mr. E. Youngs, and the Rev. W. Pearson said he would support all that had been said. He hoped he should not live to see the Association split up.

Mr. A. Lincoln asked if any other reason than supplying a Diocesan Society had been advanced; if that had not been done there was no need to split.

The Chairman then put the resolution to the meeting, and it was carried unanimously.

Votes of thanks to the clergy for the use of the bells and to the Chairman for presiding, concluded the business and ringing was kept up until buses returned, and it was necessary for cyclists to 'scorch' to save fines.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

### PROPOSED MEMORIAL GATHERING.

A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association was held at Pontefract on Easter Monday, by the courtesy of the respective Vicars, the fine new peal of ten at the Parish Church and the handy ring of eight at All Saints' were available throughout the day, both peals being kept almost continuously ringing by enthusiastic visitors.

A meeting of the general committee was held in the Parish Church vestry during the afternoon, while the general meeting took place later at All Saints' Church House. The President (the Rev. C. C. Marshall) occupied the chair, and was supported by several of the principal officers of the Association, and about 80 members.

It was decided to transfer Ossett tower to the Western Division, but it was not deemed advisable to transfer Pontefract to the same division.

After a lengthy discussion it was moved by Mr. F. Cryer, and seconded by Mr. J. Cotterell, 'that an annual dinner be instituted by the Association, and that the said dinner be known as "The Memorial Commemoration Dinner to Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Yorkshire Association."—A sub-committee consisting of the President, Mr. G. B. Bolland, the hon. treasurer and hon. secretary (Messrs. J. Cotterell and P. J. Johnson) were appointed to make all arrangements for the first gathering, to be held at Leeds on the fourth Saturday in September, after which the dinner will be held at Sheffield, York and Leeds, alternately, so that each of these centres will have a visit once every three years.

The Vicar of Northowram sent a hearty invitation to the Association to hold its next meeting there, and it was decided, on the motion of Mr. A. Jagger, seconded by Mr. W. Clark, to hold the September meeting at Northowram.

A hearty vote of thanks to the clergy of Pontefract was moved by Mr. W. Reynor, and seconded by Mr. J. F. Harvey, this being carried unanimously by the meeting. The Rev. J. W. Capron and the Rev. A. G. Shipley responded, extending a cordial welcome to the Association, and expressing their best wishes for the Association.

Mr. G. Lewis gave notice of motion of amendment to Rule 2, to delete from the word 'member' in line 2 up to the word 'changes' in line 3, and substitute 'Who can raise and fall in peal, and have full command of their bell.'

A vote of thanks to the Pontefract ringers and ladies for their many kindnesses to the visitors, was responded to by Mr. W. Pearson, senr.

Tea was served immediately after the meeting, and proved a most popular part of the day's proceedings, the bountiful supply compelling the most hungry of visitors to say 'That's all.'

## PREMIER versus BRISTOL.

### To the Editor.

Sir,—In your issue of April 21, Mr. Parker says he still considers Premier 'superior' to Bristol. I beg to differ from him. I am not saying Premier is a bad method, what I say is, it is not on a par with Bristol. As regards the plain course there is not much in it, but when it comes to a 5,000 a different tale has to be told. In the first place, methods on the lengthening lead plan are more interesting to ring, as the bobs affect more bells, and, in addition to that, they always have an advantage where there is plenty of scope for composition. In 'Premier' you have to take the whole courses as they come; whereas in Bristol you have the privilege of putting in plenty of M calls when either 5 or 6 are in 5th's, and W calls when 4, 5 or 6 are 6th's, and that is where the music comes in Bristol—out of the bells in 5-6-7-8. To put it mildly, you can get as much music out of 5,000 of Bristol as you can out of 7,000 of Premier, and then, again, if you choose, you can ring a 20-course peal of Bristol with qualities equal to Premier.

As regards 2nd and 7th's places, I am by no means in favour of that. I prefer the bells in 2-3 to cross when the treble is in front, and the bells in 6-7 to cross when the treble is behind. It may be argued that 2nd and 7th's are made in Superlative and Cambridge, but it is unavoidable in these methods where there is continuous place making in 3-4 and 5-6, as there is in Superlative. Neither does three-pull dodging in 3-4 and 5-6 improve it. You do not get much music out of bells dodging in 3-4. If there is any three-pull dodging it should take place either in front or behind.

As regards Double Superlative, I hope Mr. Parker does not think he is enlightening me in any way. He will probably be surprised to hear that as long ago as April, 1910, I was on a tour in the Eastern Counties with a party that included the late Mr. C. H. Hattersley, and it was during a conversation about the proof of various Surprise methods that he asked me if I had ever gone into Double Superlative. I arose early the following morning, and pricked some of it out, and found he was quite right in what he had said about the extra scope it gave for composition; but he was of the same opinion as myself, that it was a good method spoilt. As to the 9,600 Mr. Parker publishes this week, I should think if it is possible for ringing to become monotonous, these 10-lead courses would be before they were all finished.—Yours,

W. PYE.



### SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**BARNES.**—On Easter Day, for afternoon service, 1,260 Stedman Triples: M. Jacobs 1, H. Barrett 2, W. Stevens 3, H. Cook 4, R. Mackrill 5, F. Skevington 6, O. Hunt (conductor) 7, W. Willmott 8.—For evening service, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: W. Stevens 1, H. Barrett 2, M. Jacobs 3, C. Hunt 4, H. Cook 5, R. Mackrill 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, W. Willmott 8.

**EYE, SUFFOLK.**—On Easter Day, for morning service, 464 Bob Major: H. Todd 1, E. Youngs 2, W. Clover 3, A. J. Berry 4, G. Brown 5, E. F. Poppy 6, F. Brunning 7, W. Rose (conductor) 8.

**HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On Easter Day, before Evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. A. Cox 1, W. V. Webb 2, J. Butler 3, A. H. Webb 4, T. East (conductor) 5, R. G. Rice 6, T. F. East 7, W. A. Goodenough 8.

**GODALMING, SURREY.**—After evensong, on Easter Day, at SS. Peter and Paul's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Original: G. Pether 1, Mrs. Hazelden 2, W. Moorey 3, C. Bish 4, C. Childs 5, G. Tomsett 6, C. Hazelden (conductor) 7, W. Mills 8.

**LIMPSFIELD CHART.**—At St. Andrew's Church, on Easter Day, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Minor: T. Firmager 1, C. W. Clinch 2, P. Tidy 3, J. Knight (first quarter-peal inside) 4, L. A. Tidy 5, E. E. Tidy (first quarter-peal as conductor) 6.

**CAERLEON, MONMOUTHSHIRE.**—At the Church of St. Cadoc, on Easter Day, for evening service, in 43 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): V. Davies 1, F. Bolton 2, E. Davies 3, H. Holmes 4, S. Jones (conductor) 5, C. Davies 6, P. Stafford 7, G. Watts 8. Arranged for H. Holmes and C. Davies, who were on a visit home from Portsmouth and Liverpool respectively.

**TAUNTON.**—At St. James' Church, on Easter Day, 1,260 of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: T. Doble 1, F. Millard 2, W. Doble 3, J. Hunt (conductor) 4, E. Lloyd 5, A. Millard 6, E. Priddle 7, W. Tarr 8.

**PRYERNING, ESSEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Easter Day: Before 7 a.m., Choral Eucharist, 720 New Loudon Pleasure and 120 Oxford Treble Bob. Before Matins, 720 Kent Treble Bob and 720 Oxford Treble Bob. Before evensong, 720 Wood Treble Bob and 504 Oxford Treble Bob, the ringers being L. Camp, J. Sitch, C. Harrington, G. Camp, H. Wright, E. Sitch, A. Bradley. Kent Treble Bob conducted by E. Sitch, remainder by A. Bradley.

**ROCHESTER.**—At the Cathedral, on Easter Day, for morning service, in 50 minutes, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,263 changes), composed by A. Walker: Filt-Sergt. F. A. Holden 1, R. Paine 2, J. Haigh 3, F. Richardson 4, C. Winsor 5, F. Belsey 6, W. J. Walker 7, W. Haigh (conductor) 8, E. A. Allen 9, C. Norris 10. First quarter-peal on the bells.

**BERKELEY, GLOS.**—On Easter Day, for service, at St. Mary's Parish Church, 924 Grandsire Triples, 9, 8, 10 covering: G. Thompson 1, F. G. Cooper 2, W. A. Lewis 3, F. L. King 4, J. H. Fussell 5, E. Hayward 6, H. W. Fussell (conductor) 7, J. B. Baker 8, A. Burcombe 9, F. Sumson 10.

**STRETTON, CHESHIRE.**—On Sunday, April 9th, for evening service, 720 Oxford Single Bob: S. Sage, junr., 1, E. Jenkins (conductor) 2, S. Sage, senr., 3, E. Bostock 4, L. Bostock 5, J. H. Davenport 6. First 720 in the method by all except the conductor and by the local band.

**OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Sunday, April 9th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 48 mins.: T. Marshall (first quarter) 1, W. B. Kynaston 2, J. Hughes 3, R. Martin 4, H. Hughes (first quarter) 5, R. Evans 6, R. Edwards (conductor) 7, G. Beaton 8.

**BPPING, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, April 9th, for evening service, at All Saints' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 43 mins.: H. H. Bailes 1, A. Mansfield 2, B. G. Burton (first quarter as conductor) 3, Jas. Mansfield 4, J. Shambrook 5, F. Seymour 6. Longest length by ringers of 1, 5 and 6.

**SOUTH WIGSTON.**—St. Thomas's Guild.—On Sunday, April 9th, at the Parish Church, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 44 mins.: S. Cheney 1, A. Bell 2, G. Burton 3, C. Randle 4, J. Clarke 5, S. Cox 6, E. Jelley (conductor) 7, L. Willars 8. \* First quarter-peal on a working bell. † First quarter-peal of Stedman. First quarter-peal by an entirely local band.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes): C. Randle 1, H. Brown 2, J. Clarke 3, G. Burton 4, A. Bell 5, S. Cox 6, E. Jelley 7, L. Willars (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal in the method by all the band, who are all service ringers, also first attempt in the method.

**KIDLINGTON.**—On Sunday, April 9th, for evensong, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 47 min.: J. Bowerman 1, C. Bennett 2, F. Webb 3, J. Judge 4, L. Tuffrey 5, J. H. R. Freeborn (conductor) 6, J. Franklin 7, W. H. Thorne 8.

**BRAINTREE.**—For evensong, at the Parish Church, on Easter Day, 672 Grandsire Triples: C. H. Howard 1, W. Sadler 2, Geo. Wiffen 3, G. W. Melbourne 4, H. J. Hammond 5, H. J. Collins 6, G. Lindridge (conductor) 7, K. Page 8. Touches were also rung at 5.30 a.m. for celebration of Holy Communion, and for Matins.

**BISHOP AUCKLAND.**—At St. Andrew's Church, on Sunday, April 9th, for morning service, 540 Bob Minor: Miss M. Peverell 1, Miss C. S. Kingdon 2, G. W. Peverell (conductor) 3, H. Carpenter 4, W. Kingdon 5, E. Pattison 6.—For Confirmation service, in the afternoon, 720 Bob Minor: Miss M. Peverell 1, Miss C. S. Kingdon 2, G. W. Peverell 3, J. Smith 4, H. Carpenter 5, R. B. Robinson (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 784 Bob Major: T. Robinson 1, Miss C. S. Kingdon 2, J. Smith 3, G. W. Peverell (conductor) 4, T. Wick 5, H. Carpenter 6, R. B. Robinson 7, E. Pattison 8.

**DEANE, LANCASHIRE.**—On Palm Sunday, for afternoon service, 1,092 Stedman Triples: L. Barlow 1, F. Abbott 2, T. Barlow 3, E. Cutsforth 4, P. Crook 5, J. Gregory 6, T. B. Worsley (conductor) 7, R. Williams 8.

**QUEENBOROUGH.**—For service, on Sunday evening, at the Parish Church, and in token of respect and deep sympathy for the family of the late Councillor G. Giles, 720 Bob Minor, with the bells half-muffled: A. Gosbee 1, E. Wellard 2, W. A. Wood, junr., 3, E. Hartop (New Romney, late of Queenborough) 4, G. Wood 5, W. J. Woods (conductor) 6. Also 216 of the same method.

### THE LONGEST LENGTH OF LONDON.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Mr. Lindoff has corrected some of his mistakes, but still persists in the mistaken notion that the 85 courses are his property; let me repeat I had them in 1895.

He next tries to prove that my peal is only a variation of his, and has succeeded admirably in proving that they are two totally different compositions: otherwise Harrison's 8,896 is really only a variation of Lockwood's 8,640, see pages 77 and 78 in Snowden's 'Treble Bob.' Davies' 5-part of Grandsire Triples is only a variation of Holt's 10-part, and every twin bob peal of Stedman Triples is only a variation of Thurstan's 4-part.—Yours, etc.,

H. LAW JAMES.

Surfleet.

### LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

The spring quarterly meeting of the Eastern Branch was held at Freston, on Saturday, April 22nd. The Master of the Diocesan Guild (the Rev. H. Law James) and Mr. Rupert Richardson were present. Some forty members attended, and two lady ringers were amongst the visitors. The peal of six bells was in very good going order, and touches of Cambridge Surprise (with the help of the lady ringers), Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Double Court were brought round. A short service was held at 4.30, conducted by the Vicar, who subsequently entertained the entire company to tea.

The usual business meeting followed, when five new members were elected. The ringers afterwards returned to the tower and the bells were kept going in various Minor methods until 9 p.m.

### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Rochester District was held at Cobham, on Saturday, April 22nd, and in spite of the inclement weather, over 30 members braved the elements and visited this old-fashioned place, made famous by Charles Dickens. The bells were kept going, with a short respite, during the afternoon and evening in various methods. The ringers' service was held at 5 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. A. H. Berger (Vicar), who, in his address, expressed a wish that the Association's visit would spur the local ringers to further improve their position in the ringing world.

A collection at the close, in aid of the Association's war memorial, realised 14s. 5d.

The business meeting followed in the vestry, and in the unavoidable absence of the Vicar, Mr. W. Harper was voted to the chair.

Mr. W. Haigh (in the absence of both district representatives), briefly outlined the decision of the members regarding the alteration of the date for the annual meeting.

On the proposition of the District Secretary, it was unanimously resolved to hold the next meeting at Rainham on Saturday, July 15th.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and conducting the service was heartily carried.

### RINGING IN BIRMINGHAM.

To the Editor.

Sir,—May I crave a little of your valuable space to ask intending visitors to Birmingham who are anxious to know what arrangements there may be for ringing on certain dates, to communicate with Mr. Albert Walker, 81, Baker Street, Sparkhill, Birmingham?

The writer is frequently out of town, with the result that correspondence on this matter cannot always receive prompt attention.

Many inquiries are constantly received re the ringing at St. Martin's, and I would like to point out to intending visitors that there is ringing there on every Sunday morning throughout the year, from 10 o'clock to 10.45 a.m., and on the first Sunday evening in the month from 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. Practice Tuesday at 7.30 p.m.—Yours faithfully,

A PADDON SMITH.

Hon. Sec., St. Martin's Guild.

**RINGERS WEDDED.****MR. F. M. MITCHELL—MISS E. M. GOODSHIP.**

A ringers' wedding of unusual interest took place at St. Giles' Church, Reading, on Easter Monday, when Mr. Fredk. M. Mitchell, secretary of the Rochester District of the Kent County Association, and leader of the Milton-next-Gravesend Society, was married to Miss Ethel M. Goodship, daughter of Mr. W. H. Goodship, of Reading.

The officiating clergy were the Rev. F. J. C. Gillmor (Vicar and Rector), assisted by the Rev. G. F. O. Bond. The bride, who was given away by her father, was charmingly attired in a blue and gold shot silk taffeta dress, in which both her mother and grandmother had been married. She was attended by Miss Elsie M. Holmes, Miss Evelyn G. Goodship (sister), Miss Marguerite E. Goodship (Peggy), and Master Reginald H. J. Goodship (niece and nephew). The bridegroom's brother acted as best man. The Bridal March from 'Lohengrin' was played as the bride was escorted to the chancel steps on the arm of her father. During the service the hymn, 'Love Divine, all loves excelling,' was sung, and after the signing of the register the happy pair left the church to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March. The bells were rung both before and after the ceremony, and also fired by the ringers. The reception was held at 150, Southampton Street, and the newly-married couple left later for their honeymoon. Both were the recipients of many valuable presents.

The bride was formerly a member of the St. Giles' Society, Reading, for many years, having become interested in campanology through the influence of her brother. She left on the outbreak of war for service with H.M. Forces as a V.A.D., and it was whilst stationed at Gravesend Military Hospital that she met her present husband. Both Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell are very safe ringers in any methods up to London Surprise. Mrs. Mitchell is a very active member of the Ladies' Guild.

Among the many presents received was a handsome set of cutlery to the bridegroom from his fellow ringers at Milton, where he has been leader for many years, and a beautiful fumed oak reading table to the bride from her fellow ringers at St. Giles', Reading.

On Wednesday in Easter week, the marriage took place at Stanton Church, Worcestershire, of Mr. John Hall, of Bretforton, to Miss Edith M. Wiggins, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Wiggins, of Stanton. Mr. Wiggins is a ringer, and parish clerk at Stanton Church, and the bride and bridegroom are well known throughout the district. Much interest was evinced in the event, a large congregation assembling to witness the ceremony. The Rector (the Rev. W. J. Reynolds) officiated, and when the happy pair emerged from the church it was through showers of rice and confetti, and with the pealing of the tower bells. A reception was held at the bride's home, about forty guests being present, including about a dozen ringers. The health of the happy pair was drunk with much enthusiasm.

In the evening members of the branch rang a well-struck peal of Minor on the tower bells, which is recorded in another part of this issue.

The bridegroom is an enthusiastic member of the Bretforton band, and to mark the event his brother ringers presented him with an oak tea tray and cloth, the presentation being made in the belfry on Easter morning by the Rev. Canon Blake. He was also the recipient of a wine decanter from the officers of the Southern Branch, the presentation being made at the bride's home, after the peal, by the Ringing Master (Mr. F. Johnson).

The bride and bridegroom will reside at Bretforton, where Mr. Hall is in business as a fruit and vegetable grower.

On Easter Monday, at St. Michael's Church, Flexton, the wedding took place of Mr. G. Mason and Miss E. A. Graves, the bridegroom being a member of the local band of ringers. Quite a large company assembled to witness the ceremony, which was performed by the Vicar, the Rev. J. Jolly, B.A. Afterwards the ringers rang merry touches on the bells, being assisted by some visitors.

On Sunday, April 23rd, the ringers presented the bridegroom with a handsome clock as a mark of esteem, with their good wishes for the long life and happiness of the bride and bridegroom.

**SITUATION WANTED.**

Young Man seeks job as Outside Garden Labourer. Change ringer on 6 or 8 bells. Would like to get with good band.—Box 2, 'Ringing World,' Office, Woking;

**MARRIAGE.**

**MITCHELL—GOODSHIP.**—On Easter Monday, 17th April, at St. Giles' Church, Reading, by the Rev. F. J. C. Gillmor, Fred M. Mitchell, of Milton-next-Gravesend, Kent, to Ethel M. Goodship, of Reading.

**NOTICES.**

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

—Dorchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Wool on Saturday, May 6th. Bells from 2 p.m. (also Bere Regis and West Lulworth). Guild service at 4.30, followed by tea (kindly provided by the Vicar), and short business meeting.—C. H. Jennings, Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Parish Church, Clitheroe, on Saturday, May 6th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**

—A Ringing meeting will be held at Kingsley on Saturday, May 6th.—E. Steele and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs., 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Stoke-on-Trent.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

—Chipping Norton Deanery Branch.—The Spring meeting will be held at Hook, Norton, on Saturday, May 6th. Bells (8) available 2 o'clock.—Jack Keyte, Hon. Sec., Charlbury, Oxon.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

—Winchester District.—The next meeting will be on Saturday, May 6th, at Cheriton and Titchborne. Bells (6) from 2.30. Tea at the H.H. Inn at 5 o'clock. Members 6d. Visitors 1/- per head.—W. T. Tucker, Dist. Sec., 71, High St., Eastleigh.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held at All Saints', Fulham, on Saturday, May 6th. Tower open from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Committee meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

—Saxmundham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Rendham on Saturday, May 6th. The bells of the Parish Church (6), also Sweffing (6) available afternoon and evening. All ringers are welcome.—George Wilson, 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**

—Kettering District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Brampton Ash, near Desborough, on Saturday, May 6th. Usual arrangements.—R. F. Turner, Dist. Sec., 7, Gordon Street, Kettering.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

—Lewisham District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary Cray on Saturday, May 6th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service and address by the Rev. A. H. Stevenson (Vicar), at 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—T. Groombridge, Hon. Dist. Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Burghill on Saturday, May 6th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 6 p.m. Parish Room.—C. Edwards, Gt. Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Hemel Hempstead.—A Major Practice has been arranged for Saturday, May 6th. Bells available afternoon and evening. All ringers welcome.—W. Ayre.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The Annual meeting is to be held at Chesterfield on May 6th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Preacher, the Assistant Sec., Rev. J. F. Amies. Tea 5 p.m. in St. James' Mission Room, 2/- each. Please notify to Rev. J. F. Amies, Clergy House, Chesterfield. Business meeting after tea.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, May 6th, at Cross Stone. Bells ready at 3. Meeting 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 1, Church Street, Middleton.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Established 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at Aston on Saturday, May 13th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea at 5.30 in Vicarage Rooms free for all those who send word not later than May 9th of their intention to be present.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Urchfont on Saturday, May 13th. Bells (8) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Short business meeting after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Penwortham on May 13th. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6. Tea will be provided at a nominal charge of 6d. each.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Port Sunlight on Saturday, May 13th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6. Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, Sec., 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Romford on Saturday, May 13th. Bells ready at 2.30. Service at 4 o'clock. Tea (1/- each), and Meeting to follow. Those requiring tea kindly notify me not later than Monday, May 8th. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—W. H. Theobald, Hon. Dist. Sec., 49, Portway, E.15.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A district meeting will be held at Benwell on Saturday, May 13th, under the Vice-Presidency of George R. Holmes, Esq. Tower opens 3 p.m. Tea will be provided by the Vicar for those sending their names to the undermentioned not later than May 10th.—James E. Gofton, District Sec., 25, Ashbrooke, Monkseaton.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Chertsey on Saturday, May 13th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30, tea and meeting to follow. All welcome. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, May 9th.—H. F. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

**BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next Monthly meeting will be held at Sandal on Saturday, May 13th, at 2.30 p.m. Tea will be provided at a reasonable charge, but due notice must be sent to Mr. H. Robinson, joiner, etc., Sandal, Wakefield. This renowned peal of 6 bells being easy of access by train, tram and motor bus, all members are specially invited.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Berrow (near Burnham-on-Sea) on Saturday, May 13th. Service 5.30. Tea and meeting after. Bells (6), afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, 35, Oxford Street, Burnham-on-Sea.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Central District.—A meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, S.W., on Saturday, May 13th. Bells available at 3.30. Tea at 5.30, followed by meeting. All requiring tea should notify me by Wednesday, May 10th.—E. K. Parker, 17, Wellington Road, Enfield.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—A special meeting will be held at Great Brington on Saturday, May 13th; usual arrangements. Please notify me not later than May 8th those requiring tea.—S. J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Road, Northampton, District Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—The Spring meeting will be held at Woodstock on Saturday, May 13th. Service in the Parish Church at 3 p.m. Address to be given by the Rev. E. D. Sedding (Vicar of Freeland). Tea at the Bear Hotel at 3.45 at 1/6 each. Meeting to follow. Bells available during the day. All ringers welcome.—John Monk, Hon. Branch Sec., 17, Cape Terrace, Witney, Oxon.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.—St. Clement Danes, May 15th and 29th; Bishopsgate, 8th; Wilton Road, 22nd. Sundays at 10 a.m.—St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Near Slough.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Barnet on Saturday, May 20th. Short service at 6 p.m., to which all are invited. The bells at Barnet and Hadley will be open for ringing from 3 o'clock and after the service. Tea will be arranged for those who require same.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bradford-on-Tone on Saturday, May 20th. Bells (6) from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Tea will be provided for those who send word to me by Monday morning, May 15th.—P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Great Baddow on Saturday, May 20th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting in the Iron Room. Buses leave Chelmsford Station 2.15 p.m. and 3.15 p.m., returning at 7 p.m., 7.40 p.m. and 9.40 p.m. Will all members intending to be present please let me know on or before Wednesday, May 17?—P. Timson, Hon. Dist. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.



**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas, Chiswick, W., on Saturday, May 20th. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Tea will be arranged at 5.30 p.m. Will members please notify me by the 16th?—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—Alteration of Date.—The meeting at St. Mary's, Ealing, will be held on Saturday May 27th (instead of the 13th), by permission of the Vicar, Rev. C. J. Sharp, who will entertain the members to tea after service. Visitors will be charged 1/- for tea. Tower open at 3 p.m. and a hearty welcome to all.—W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on May 30th; St. Magnus, 11th and 25th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, 16th; and Southwark Cathedral on the 23rd, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**MIDLAND COUNTRIES ASSOCIATION.**—Of 49 peals published as rung this year I have received particulars of 12 only. Will those responsible kindly do the needful and oblige?—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### PUBLICATION.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

#### LATE NOTICES.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—Meeting at St. James', Poolstock, to-morrow, Saturday, May 6th. Bells ready 3.30 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—John Halsall, Secretary.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 13th. Service 4.15, tea and meeting to follow. Visitors welcome. Any requiring tea should give notice not later than the 10th.—F. Farrant, Martock, Somerset.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting, Bristol, June 5th. Last day for receiving notice, re alteration of rules, May 8th. Management Committee Meeting St. Thomas's Church, Victoria Street, 10.45 a.m. Service at St. Nicholas Church, Bristol Bridge, 12 noon. Meeting at St. Philips' School Room at 2.15 p.m. Tea at St. Thomas's at 5.30 p.m., 1/- members, 1/6 others. Please notify me for tea by May 30th.—Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**LEICESTER.**—On Wednesday, April 5th, for evening service, at St. Margaret's, 720 Bob Minor, by G. Stedman Morris 1, B. Whitehead 2, W. Whitehead 3, C. Cattell 4, J. Morris 5, E. Morris (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method on the new bells, and by all except ringers of 5 and 6.

#### WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.

A quarterly meeting was held on Saturday week at Swanmore, when members were present from Curdridge, Portsea, Wickham, Upham, and the local band; also Mr. G. Williams (Master). After an afternoon's ringing, the company adjourned to the Hunter's Inn for tea. An excellent meal was provided, to which ample justice was done, the company including the Rector of Swanmore (the Rev. H. Courtenay Wilson).

At the business meeting which followed, one full member (a lady ringer) was elected, and the Rector, who was desirous of becoming an honorary member, was also elected.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at East Meon on July 15th. It was resolved to send a letter of sympathy from the district to the Rector of Wickham (the Rev. E. H. Duke) upon his sad bereavement, in the loss of his son, who was killed in the aeroplane collision a few weeks ago.

The motion was carried, the ringers standing in silence. A vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for his kindness in granting the use of the bells, after which the tower was again visited. The ringing included *Grandsire* and *Stedman Doubles*, Bob and Treble Bob Minor and *Cambridge Surprise*.

#### DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A hearty welcome will be extended to all bell ringers intending being present at the Northern District meeting, advertised for Saturday, May 13th, at Benwell.

GEORGE R. HOLMES,  
Vice-President.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**  
LIMITED,  
**COVENTRY.**

MAKERS SINCE 1730.

#### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

#### CHEAP PRINTING.

PEAL CARDS, 3/6 doz. Report Books, Stationery, Balance Sheets, and all classes of General and Commercial Printing at lowest prices. Send stamped envelope for new price list of printing, and support your fellow ringers.

GOOD BROS.

31, PRESTONVILLE ROAD, BRIGHTON.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

### REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.  
GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.  
STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.  
STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.  
TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.  
PART II.—At present out of print.  
DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.  
All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s. d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	1 0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

JOHN PRITCHARD,  
Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	88/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 88/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 8/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER, Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING**  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 882. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, MAY 12th, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 8d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### RINGING IN AMERICA.

It has been pleasing recently to have been able to record some activity in ringing in America. There are very few places outside the British Isles where the art has been able to flourish; but it has been encouraging to read that in Vancouver the flag has been kept flying, and that the bells there are rung regularly. Mr. Limpus is the soul of the movement in that far-off spot, and despite the difficulties and the distances which separate many of the band, there seems to be always a good company obtainable for special occasions. In the United States, Boston and Groton School, which are comparatively near neighbours, are the only places where ringing has a foothold, and, up to the present, a precarious one at that. But for the sustained interest and persistent efforts of Dr. Nichols, who has many friends on this side of the Atlantic, it is unlikely that the art would have survived the many setbacks that it has received. Americans do not take to bells, rung as we ring them, and it is only on the nucleus of a band immigrated from Great Britain that ringing is now carried on there. But the 'worse trials are now over,' writes Dr. Nichols, and with five excellent rings of bells already available, and a sixth in prospect, there seems to be a future for change ringing in the Eastern city.

Simultaneously with the letters which reach us from Vancouver and Boston, comes one from Toronto, recounting the opening of a new carillon by Mr. Harry Withers, who made the trip from Bourneville expressly for the purpose. The occasion was made the most of by those 'exiles' from ringing who have settled in or near the city of Toronto, and we can picture the enthusiasm of these men in gathering to meet Mr. Withers. Our correspondent points out that it is a pity that when English firms instal carillons in the Colonies they do not do their utmost to induce those who give the bells to have at least an octave hung for ringing. For all we know, every effort may have been made at Toronto, and architectural or other difficulties may have prevented such a suggestion being carried out. But, in general, a great service to the art of ringing would be rendered if founders in preparing schemes for carillons could do something to provide a ringable peal among the bells they send out. This little band in Toronto, with a ring of eight, might have established another outpost of the Exercise, and have done it exceedingly well, if they could have started upon the wave of interest which was created by the opening of the carillon. They are, however, eager to revive their practice of the art by taking up handbell ringing, and we hope it may not be long ere they have the gratification of seeing a peal of bells for ringing installed in some tower in their midst.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

✓ Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 108, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.	
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. Treble	REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... 6
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT ... .. 3	WILLIAM C. HART ... .. 8
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 4	ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 9
JOHN CAPP ... .. 5	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM PYE. Conducted by KEITH HART.

NOTTINGHAM.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, May 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5130 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.	
*FRED S. PRICE ... .. Treble	ALBERT COPPOCK ... .. 6
†GILBERT R. GOODSHIP ... .. 2	†LAWRENCE CHADBURN ... .. 7
WM. CLIFFORD, JUN. ... .. 3	†GEORGE WEST ... .. 8
†SAMUEL STONE ... .. 4	REUBEN CLIFFORD ... .. 9
†WILLIAM A. JAMES ... .. 5	EDWARD R. LEADER ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by REUBEN CLIFFORD.

First peal of Caters on the bells. \* First peal of Grandsire Caters.  
† First peal of Caters. First peal as conductor on ten bells.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS-THE-MARTYR, CITY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.	
WILLIAM HEWETT ... .. Treble	EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 6
†ARMIGER J. TROLLOPE ... .. 2	ROBERT C. GRIMWOOD ... .. 7
*HAROLD P. JAMES ... .. 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 8
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4	WILLIAM NUDES ... .. 9
FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 5	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM PYE. Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.  
\* First peal in the method. † First peal of Cambridge Royal.

REIGATE, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

HENRY F. EWINS ... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. RICE ... .. 6
*CHARLES H. KIPPIN ... .. 2	GEORGE F. HOAD ... .. 7
†ARTHUR BASHFORD ... .. 3	WALTER CLAYDON ... .. 8
†JAMES E. COOPER ... .. 4	HENRY A. HOAD ... .. 9
HARRY JORDAN ... .. 5	†JAMES H. JUDD ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEORGE F. HOAD.

Rung on the anniversary of His Majesty's accession, also as a birthday compliment to J. E. Cooper. \* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First peal of Caters.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
On Thursday, April 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.	
CHARLES BAILEY ... .. Treble	HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 5
HARRY FARLOW ... .. 2	WILLIAM LAWLEY ... .. 6
FRANK PERRINS ... .. 3	ALFRED FALLON ... .. 7
EDWARD MITCHELL ... .. 4	ROBERT THOMPSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. FALLON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Rev. W. T. Milligan, M.A., formerly Vicar of St. Luke's for 25 years.

DRAYTON, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(THE OXFORD SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, April 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS ... Treble	*WILLIAM HARRIS ... 5
MRS. A. E. LOCK ... 2	ALBERT E. LOCK ... 6
CHARLES COLES ... 3	GORDON CAUDWELL ... 7
FRANCIS TAYLOR ... 4	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... Tenor

Composed by W. HUDSON. Conducted by ALBERT E. LOCK.

\* First peal of Major.

HOGHTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

TOM STANCLIFFE ... Treble	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... 5
FRED RIGBY ... 2	*JAMES W. GROUNDS ... 6
FRED CHAMBERS ... 3	*JOHN BOOTH ... 7
RICHARD TAYLOR ... 4	WILLIAM TAYLOR ... Tenor

Composed by THOMAS DAY. Conducted by ARTHUR TOMLINSON.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt. The ringers of treble, 3rd and 5th hail from Blackburn, 2nd from Chorley, 4th and tenor from Penwortham, 6th and 7th from Standish.

HESTON, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... Treble	CHARLES S. BIRD ... 5
HENRY C. CHANDLER ... 2	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 6
FRANK I. HAIRS ... 3	*ARTHUR HARDING ... 7
WILLIAM HENLEY ... 4	WILLIAM WELLING ... Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by WILLIAM H. HEWETT.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 3 lb. in A flat.

REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON Treble	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 5
JAMES ROSE ... 2	ALBERT FLEMING ... 6
FREDERICK J. TILLET ... 3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... 7
FREDERICK C. LAMBERT ... 4	CHARLES WOODCOCK ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

Rung in honour of the 14th birthday of Harold E. Symonds, eldest son of the conductor.

BUNBURY, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BONIFACE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

*H. DAVENPORT ... Treble	ARTHUR NEWELL ... 5
FRANK FOX ... 2	WALTER THOMAS ... 6
JOHN W. DAVIES ... 3	†HARRY H. WOODWARD ... 7
SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... 4	GEORGE R. JONES ... Tenor

Composed by F. HOPGOOD. Conducted by GEORGE R. JONES.

\* First peal. † First peal of Major; also first attempt by both these ringers. This peal was rung as a 71st birthday compliment to Mr. Samson Mossford, who has been a ringer at this church for 50 years. The ringers wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Mossford for their kindness in providing tea after the peal. H. Davenport was elected a member of the Guild previous to starting.

HEATHFIELD, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' VARIATION. Tenor 11 cwt.

WILFRED BOOTH ... Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... 5
*FREDERICK J. LAMBERT ... 2	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... 6
*WILLIAM H. HOAD ... 3	ROBERT J. DAWE ... 7
ARTHUR R. MILES ... 4	THOMAS HOAD ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal of Stedman.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY TOWER,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 6½ cwt.

HAROLD J. POOLE ... Treble	ERNEST MORRIS ... 5
SHIRLEY BORTON ... 2	JOHN OLDHAM ... 6
JOHN SADDINGTON ... 3	EDWARD READER ... 7
REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 4	HARRY BROUGHTON ... Tenor

Conducted by HARRY BROUGHTON.

BLETCHINGLEY, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

*GORDON H. KIRBY ... Treble	ALBERT E. WOOD ... 5
FREDERICK W. RICE ... 2	THOMAS J. COPPARD ... 6
*JAMES E. COOPER ... 3	CHARLES H. KIPPIN ... 7
GEORGE F. HOAD ... 4	ALBERT ELLIS ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. HOAD.

\* First peal.

KIDDERMINSTER, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 25½ cwt.

RICHARD E. GROVE ... Treble	*JOHN WOODBERRY ... 5
WILLIAM SHORT ... 2	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ... 6
JOHN BASS ... 3	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... 7
JOSEPH DAVIES ... 4	JAMES GEORGE ... Tenor

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal of Stedman away from tenor.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

FREDERICK BORRETT ... Treble	*CHARLES CUTTING ... 5
HERBERT PIERCEY ... 2	JAMES BOUGHTON ... 6
ALFRED SMITH ... 3	CHARLES BRICE ... 7
CHARLES BAKER ... 4	ERNEST WHITING ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by F. BORRETT.

\* First peal in the method.

DEANE, BOLTON, LANCs.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... Treble	*PETER CROOK ... 5
FRED ABBOT ... 2	*RICHARD P. HEALD ... 6
TITUS BARLOW ... 3	JOHN POTTER ... 7
ERNEST CUTSFORTH ... 4	†RICHARD WILLIAMS ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by THOMAS B. WORSLEY

\* 50th peal. † First peal.



WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr.

GEORGE CLAXTON ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... 5
MISS A. MAY DURRANT ... 2	BEN S. THOMPSON ... .. 6
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 3	GEORGE MAYERS... .. 7
JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

First peal in the method on the bells, also by all the band with the exception of the ringers of the 5th and tenor.

SANDHURST, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 14 cwt.

THOMAS BALDWIN ... .. Treble	GEORGE L. BRUNSDON ... 5
WILLIAM HARRIS... .. 2	JOHN AUSTIN... .. 6
JESSE GILLET ... .. 3	CHARLES H. AUSTIN ... 7
CHARLES DYSON ... .. 4	HERBERT BECKETT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to Mrs. Newman, mother of Messrs. Samuel and Thomas Newman, respected members of the above society.

CRAYFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S ODD AND EVEN COMPOSITION. Tenor 12½ cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... Treble	JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... 5
WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... 2	SPENCER MARSHALL ... 6
HERBERT AODSLEY ... .. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... 7
JOHN WHEADON ... .. 4	SIDNEY ANSTEAD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

KEIGHLEY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb.

ERNEST SIMPSON ... .. Treble	JAMES R. KEMP ... .. 5
FREDERICK SEAGER ... .. 2	JOHN PALFRAMAN ... .. 6
*JAMES F. HARVEY ... .. 3	JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 7
GEORGE ROBINSON ... .. 4	PERCY J. JOHNSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by E. BARNETT, SEN. Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.

This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to J. R. Kemp. \* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. This peal contains the 4th, 5th and 6th their in-course extent in 6th's.

HENSINGHAM, CUMBERLAND.

THE CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13½ cwt. in F sharp.

*JOHN HUTCHINSON ... Treble	*FRED TICKLE ... .. 5
ISAAC B. DOUGLAS ... .. 2	JOHN H. ROTHERY ... .. 6
GEORGE W. TEMBY ... .. 3	*WILLIAM NORMAN ... .. 7
JOHN J. SPEDDING ... .. 4	WILLIAM T. HOLMES ... Tenor

Composed by W. ESTCOURT. Conducted by WILLIAM T. HOLMES.

Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a token of respect for the members of the Association who fell in the Great War. The ringer of the treble hails from Cleator Moor, 5th and tenor from Cocker-mouth, the rest from Egremont. First peal in the method by all except the ringers of 3rd and tenor. \* First peal.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(ST. MARTIN'S SOCIETY, LEICESTER.)

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Five Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
At THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

**A PEAL OF REAL DOUBLE SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 10,400 CHANGES;**

Tenor 6½ cwt.

JOHN SADDINGTON ... Treble	LOUIS E. ALLEN ... .. 5
JOHN OLDBAM ... .. 2	DET.-SGT. H. G. JENNEY ... 6
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 3	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 7
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRED H. DEXTER.

WYE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF SS. GREGORY AND MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A VARIATION OF J. W. MOORHOUSE'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 23 cwt.

*GEORGE SWAFFER ... Treble	ERNEST POWELL ... .. 5
ARCHIBALD C. KAY ... .. 2	HENRY C. CASTLE ... .. 6
WILLIAM E. PITMAN... .. 3	HARRY PARKES ... .. 7
PERCY PAGE ... .. 4	*CHARLES J. HEAD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY PARKES.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal. First peal as conductor. Rung in honour of the King's accession.

HALEWOOD, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 11½ cwt.

THOMAS HAMMOND, JUN. ... Treble	GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 5
*CLAUDE S. BENWELL ... .. 2	GEORGE LUNT ... .. 6
THOMAS JENNION ... .. 3	EDWARD CAUNCE... .. 7
BENJAMIN TREVITT ... .. 4	CHARLES PACKER... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

\* First peal. Rung in honour of the King's accession.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb.

FREDERICK G. GODDARD ... Treble	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 5
CHARLES J. TRICKER ... .. 2	ARTHUR HARDING ... .. 6
JOSEPH MILNER ... .. 3	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 7
GEORGE SPENCER ... .. 4	ALBERT BECKENSALE ... Tenor

Conducted by W. WELLING.

Arranged and rung as a compliment to Mr. T. Beadle, a vice-president of the Association, on attaining his 72nd birthday.

BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

*JOSEPH SADDINGTON ... Treble	GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 5
GEORGE LINES ... .. 2	JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. 6
MATTHIAS HOBBS ... .. 3	WILLIAM FAREY ... .. 7
WALTER PERKINS ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by W. J. ALLEN.

\* First peal in the method; also the first peal in the method on the bells. Rung to celebrate the birthday of Queen Mary.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

STRETTON, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, April 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's of College Single, two of Oxford Single and 3 of Bob Minor. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*SYDNEY SAGE ... .. Treble	EDWARD JENKINS... .. 4
†HARRY FAIRCLOUGH ... .. 2	LEONARD BOSTOCK ... .. 5
ERNEST BOSTOCK ... .. 3	JOHN H. DAVENPORT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' First peal in three methods by all and on the bells by a local company. Rung on the 9th anniversary of the conductor's first peal.

WICKEN, NORTHANTS.

THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Wicken Court, College Single, Double Oxford, Double Court, Double Bob, Oxford Bob & Plain Bob. Tenor 18 cwt.

*HAROLD W. BIRDSEY ... Treble	LEONARD A. SMITH ... .. 4
THOMAS E. ROBERTS... .. 2	ALBERT J. GREEN ... .. 5
FREDERICK C. CASE ... .. 3	THOMAS E. READ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. J. GREEN.

\* First peal of Minor. Rung in honour of the wedding of the Hon. Hugh N. Douglas Pennant to the Hon Sybil M. Hardinge at Brompton Parish Church the same day.

GREAT CHART, KENT.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD AND  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

MISS ROSE THOMAS ... .. Treble	G. J. YOUNGS ... .. 4
*F. HODGES ... .. 2	C. F. GOOD... .. 5
*J. SKINNER ... .. 3	*W. J. BAKER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. F. GOOD.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells. The ringers of the 3rd, 4th and 6th are local service ringers. Miss Thomas hails from Mersham, F. Hodges from Kingsnorth and C. Good from Charing. The ringers greatly appreciate the interest taken in the peal by the Rev. Holt.

GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, New London Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 6½ cwt.

JOHN D. BUCKINGHAM ... Treble	FRED CHALK... .. 4
*HUMPHREY B. GARDNER ... 2	HORACE J. MANSFIELD ... 5
*ARTHUR C. LANGFORD ... .. 3	GEORGE H. NEVILLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. D. BUCKINGHAM.

\* First peal in seven methods.

HUMBERSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 20 cwt.

*JEREMIAH VERNON ... .. Treble	SIDNEY SKELTON ... .. 4
EDWARD WHITEHEAD ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. CLARKE ... .. 5
*WALTER E. TANDER... .. 3	*ERNEST TANDER... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. H. CLARKE.

\* First peal. Ringers of treble, 3rd and tenor were made members of the M.C.A. previous to starting. Great credit is due to the ringer of the treble, who rung his first peal and is 65 years of age.

NEWINGTON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Kent Treble Bob, College Single and Plain Bob, and two 720's of Oxford Bob called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

SIDNEY MILLARD... .. Treble	THOMAS JULL ... .. 4
CHARLES MILLARD ... .. 2	CHARLES TUMBER ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. WALKER ... .. 3	WILLIAM NYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM NYE.

BEDFORD.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-DE-MERTON,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently.

MISS DOROTHY STEEL... .. Treble	*HERBERT MORTIMER... .. 4
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 2	WILLIAM STAPLETON ... .. 5
CHAS. WM. CLARKE ... .. 3	*THOMAS HARPIN... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. STAPLETON.

\* First peal away from treble.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, May 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven different 720's. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

ALFRED T. POULTON ... .. Treble	CORNELIUS J. PARTRIDGE ... 4
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. 2	JOHN CLARK ... .. 5
JAMES BLAKE ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

First peal and first attempt for ringer of 4th, who hails from Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts.

WOOTTON, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and two 720's each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 19 cwt.

*LEONARD TURNER ... .. Treble	MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 4
†HERBERT MORTIMER... .. 2	HERBERT J. HARLOW ... .. 5
CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. 3	HERBERT L. HARLOW... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. L. HARLOW.

\* First peal in five methods. † First peal in five methods away from the treble.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Sunday, April 30, 1922, in Two Hours and half a Minute,  
IN THE GARDEN OF 11, QUEEN ANNE TERRACE,

**A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5000 CHANGES;**

G. BENSON (St. Cath.) ... 1-2	WILFRED HOOTON (Queens') 5-6
HUGH BENSON (King's) ... 3-4	*MARTIN HOOTON (Queens') 7-8

Composed by MAURICE ATKINS. Conducted by WILFRED HOOTON.

\* First peal in the method.

CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Monday, May 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
IN THE PRESIDENT'S ROOMS, TRINITY COLLEGE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

REV. E. BANKES JAMES (Caius) 1-2	W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHAY (Trin.) 3-4	*L. J. GODDARD (Trin. Hall) 7-8

Composed by FRANK BENNETT. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

\* First peal.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATER, 5099 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 18 in G.

ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 1-2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 5-6
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 3-4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 7-8
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 9-10	

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

Rung as birthday compliments to A. F. Bailey, of Manchester, and W. W. Bailey, of Chesterfield.

LONDON.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, May 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At 63A, OLD TOWN, CLAPHAM, S.W.,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATER, 5043 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 16 in B flat.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 1-2	ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 5-6
ROBERT RICHARDSON ... .. 3-4	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 7-8
TOM TEBBUTT ... .. 9-10	

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

\* First peal of Caters 'in hand.'

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

SECRETARIAL CHANGES.

The annual meeting of the Ely Diocesan Association was held at Cambridge on Easter Monday. The towers open for ringing were: Great St. Mary's (10), St. Andrew's (8), Roman Catholic (8), and Old Chesterton (6), ringing commencing at 10.15 on the fine bells at the Roman Catholic Church.

A meeting of the Diocesan Committee was held in the vestry of Great St. Mary's at 11 o'clock and at noon, the Association's form of service was conducted at Great St. Mary's by the Vicar (the Rev. C. L. Hulbert, The Rev. H. B. Woolley read the lesson, and a most useful and interesting address on 'Unity among ringers' was given by the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey.

The lunch was served at the Dorothy Cafe, Sidney Street, 65 ringers and friends being present. The Rev. A. H. F. Boughey presided at the lunch, and at the business meeting which followed.

The General Secretary presented the balance sheet and report.

The Chairman, in explaining the balance sheet, mentioned that the chief item of expenditure was the cost of printing the last report.

As the present balance in hand was not sufficient to print the report for 1921 the question was raised as to whether it would be better to defer the printing, and have, say, a three-year report, or to have the report for 1921 printed as soon as funds were available.

It was finally agreed to adopt the latter course. — Mr. W. Crose, King's Lynn, suggested that an effort should be made to induce local tradesmen to advertise in the reports.

Mr. J. F. Penning, Saffron Walden, said he was a strong advocate for reports, and supported the idea of advertising, and in some humorous remarks suggested that 'The Ringing World' might increase its revenue by including advertisements such as 'Monkey Brand Soap' and 'Bird's Custard Powder.'

Proceeding to the election of officers, the Chairman said he deeply regretted to announce that Miss V. Shorter wished to retire from the position of General Secretary; he expressed to her the thanks of the Association for all the work that she had done. — The Chairman then proposed that the Rev. R. Copeman, who had recently come to live at Cambridge, should be appointed as general secretary. — This was unanimously agreed to.

The Rev. R. Copeman said that this proposal came as a 'bolt from the blue,' but he agreed to undertake the duties.

Mr. F. C. Turner who wrote regretting his inability to be present, was re-elected as treasurer. — The election of District Secretaries was then proceeded with. For the Archdeaconry of Ely Mr. A. E. Austin was re-elected. For the Archdeaconry of Huntingdon the Rev. H. B. Woolley expressed the hope that a secretary resident in the Archdeaconry would be appointed, but as no names were forthcoming the Rev. H. B. Woolley was re-elected.

Mr. R. Lathbury having stated that he wished to resign the office of district secretary for the Archdeaconry of Wisbech and no names having been proposed, Mr. H. Giddings, of March, offered to undertake the duties. — His offer was gratefully accepted.

Mr. W. H. J. Hooton, the auditor, stated that he would be away from Cambridge next year, and therefore, unable to act as auditor again. — Mr. T. R. Dennis, Cambridge, was, therefore, elected.

One resident member and four non-resident members were elected. — The usual votes of thanks concluded the meeting.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING AT HILLINGDON  
A CLERICAL PRESIDENT ELECTED.

The members of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild met for their annual general meeting on Saturday, April 22nd, at St. John-the-Baptist's Hillingdon in unhappy circumstances. The sudden death of their genial president, Mr. A. T. King, only four weeks earlier, threw a gloom over the whole proceedings, which the sound of the bells could not even dispel.

At the service, which was fully choral, the Vicar (the Rev. H. J. Kitcat) took for his text Ecclesiastes ix. 10, 'Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might.' After giving a sketch of the life and work of the late President, especially in connection with the Association, he showed how he had ever striven for a greater recognition of ringers as officers of the church. His was a life of service, which to him was joy, true to St. Paul's precept, in diligence not in sloth. The book of Ecclesiastes was the most pessimistic of any in the Old Testament. The spirit of the writer was full of gloom, because it was not lit up with hope of life beyond the grave. But the writer, if gloomy, was brave, and all the braver because to him life appeared to be so purposeless. How different St. Paul in his hopefulness that there would be a worthy end to all honest and faithful endeavours! 'Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord.' What was the key to the difference? Easter; with its joyful cry that Christ has risen! This had given to all life, yes, even to every hobby, a fresh inspiration. Nothing was vain if undertaken for Christ. Thus by our work in this world should we be fitted in the life beyond the grave for work of a like or even of a nobler kind. This was true of all work. It was true of bell ringing, which was the special ministry of the Association. It was true of every hobby. Who could tell whether some soul might not owe its awakening to the call of the bells? For the influence of God's Spirit was breathed into the soul of men in divers manners. Let them think of themselves, therefore, as ambassadors with the clergy in the cause of Christ; feel that they were doing a work of God; a service for their fellows which should one day reach out into all eternity.

After tea, the business meeting was held, the chairman being Mr. F. A. Milne J.P., vice-president, who was supported by the Rev. H. J. Kitcat, Mr. W. Pye (Master), Messrs. Bird and Lucas (District Masters), Messrs. Cole and Hollier (hon. secretary), Mr. T. Beadle (district vice-president), and about 70 members from all parts of the county and elsewhere, including ringers from places as far distant as Cambridge, Romford, Crayford, etc.

THE LATE MR. ARTHUR KING.

Before the usual routine business was commenced, the Chairman referred to the great loss sustained by the Association in the death of their old and valued friend, Mr. A. T. King, who died with such tragic suddenness on Sunday March 26th. 'No doubt,' said the Chairman, 'it was such a death as Mr. King would wish to have, as he was actually on his way to serve his Master. Possibly I knew Mr. King longer than anyone else in the room. When at Winchester, in 1867, he used to come down every summer to play for Old Wykehamists against the school, and always kept wicket and batted without either pads or gloves. For twenty years down to the time he left Barnet, in 1910, he was connected with me in diocesan and parochial work, and for some years he was a member of the St. Albans Diocesan Conference. He was a diocesan lay reader, and on the day of the funeral I heard from a friend with whom I had tea that quite recently, owing to the absence of the curate of Stevenage, through illness, Mr. King had taken the whole service at Holy Trinity Church on two successive Sundays, and had preached two admirable sermons. I should like to add as my appreciation of him that he was a man upon whose word you could absolutely rely, and in whose judgment you could implicitly trust—a man who never in my experience said an unkind word or did an unkind action.'

Mr. Milne then moved a sincere vote of condolence be passed to the widow and family of the late Mr. King, which was passed in silence, the members all standing.

The meeting then proceeded with the usual business. The report and balance sheet were adopted. The former showed that in 1921 there had been elected three honorary and 65 ringing members including new hands at Chiswick (St. Nicholas) and Staines (St. Mary's). Six members had been lost by death, the membership remaining at the total of 758. Twenty-three meetings were held, with an average attendance of about 40. The peals rung during the year numbered 59, including peals of London and Bristol Surprise Major, and Cambridge Royal and Maximus. No less than 133 members took part in the peals rung, 13 ringing their first peal, and 43 their 'first' in new methods, or on a different number of bells. Twenty members shared in the conducting, two for the first time. The quarter-peals ascertained to have been rung numbered 116, this being a large increase. No doubt others were rung without record being kept. Bell restoration work in the county was of not so extensive a nature as in the previous year, but was still of considerable importance. The fifth and tenor bells at St. Andrew's, Holborn, had been recast and the whole peal rehung and retuned, now constituting one of the finest peals of eight in London. At Hadley two new trebles had been

added to the existing six, being the gift of the hon. treasurer, Mr. F. A. Milne; one in memory of his father and mother; and the other in memory of his son, Capt. Alex. Milne, who was killed on active service. Messrs. Mears and Stainbank carried out the work at both these churches.

The balance sheet, showing a credit of £17 8s. 5d. to the Central Fund, was considered satisfactory, and was passed unanimously.

#### THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers was next on the agenda, and on the proposition of Mr. F. A. Milne, seconded by Mr. Wm. Pye, the Rev. F. R. Bonsey, M.A., Vicar of Northaw, Potters Bar, was unanimously elected President of the Association. Mr. Milne stated that it was thought that a ringing clergyman would be the most suitable president, and such a one was forthcoming in Mr. Bonsey, whom they had approached on the matter, and who was willing to serve them if elected. He was not only a keen ringer, and leader of his own band at Northaw, but he was also a good cricketer, and had played for Hertfordshire.

All the other officers were re-elected, viz.: Master, Mr. W. Pye; hon. treas., Mr. F. A. Milne; hon. secretaries, Messrs. C. T. Coles and W. H. Hollier; district vice-presidents, Messrs. F. A. Milne and T. Beadle; hon. auditors, Messrs. J. E. Miller and W. Pickworth.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. T. Coles) read letters he had received from the London County Association and the Society of Royal Cumberlands, conveying to the Association the sympathies of the members of the societies at loss, by death, of the president.—It was resolved that a letter of thanks be sent to the London County Association, and a vote of thanks was also passed to the Society of Royal Cumberlands, confirming a letter which the Hon. Secretary stated he had written on receipt of their letter. The question of a memorial to Mr. King was also discussed, and was referred to the Central Committee, who were given powers to act. It was also decided that the cost of a wreath which had been sent from the Association should be paid out of the funds, thus making it, in effect, subscribed to by every member of the society.

Thanks of the members were accorded to Dr. Nichols, of Boston, U.S.A., and to his daughter, Mrs. Shurtleff, for their continued help to the Association, and also for the sympathy expressed at the recent loss sustained.

Votes of thanks were unanimously passed to the Vicar of St. John's for his very admirable sermon, and for the use of the bells; also to the Vicars of St. Andrew's and St. Margaret's, Uxbridge, for placing their bells at the disposal of the Association. The organist and choir were also thanked, and an 'extra special' vote was given to Miss Williams and friends for the very bountiful tea provided.

The ringing done during the day, in various methods, was of good quality. With one peal of ten, and two of eight in use, nobody had cause to go without a pull, and quite a large number of touches were brought round, including a well-struck course of Cambridge Surprise Royal, and some excellent Stedman Caters.

#### CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION.

##### A RINGING COMPETITION.

The annual competition of the above Association was held at Aspatria, on Easter Monday, by the kind permission of the Vicar. The day was very fine, and consequently brought together a good company of ringers. The shield was given by the late Canon Rawnsley to promote the art of change ringing in Cumberland, and was made by the School of Art, at Keswick. Six teams entered, each team being allowed to choose its own method, the winning team of last year to ring a more difficult method than they did on the previous occasion. The number of changes to be rung was 720 for six bells, and 576 for eight bells.

A start was made at 1 o'clock, Mr. W. H. Barber, of the Durham and Newcastle Association, being the adjudicator.

The ringing over, tea was partaken of in the schools, between 50 and 60 ringers sitting down.

The business meeting followed, presided over by the Vicar. It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Arlecdon, and the annual meeting at Workington in November.

Mr. Barber then gave the results of the ringing. Cleator Moor rang 720 Bob Minor, in 27 minutes, with 124 faults. Carlisle were rather unfortunate. They rang Kent Treble Bob Minor for 18 minutes, when the 6th rope slipped the wheel. They were allowed another attempt, and the same thing occurred after ringing 22 minutes. Finally a third attempt was successful, and they rang 720 Kent Minor, in 28 minutes, with 100 faults. Bride Kirk rang Kent Minor but failed to complete the 720, ringing for 14 minutes. Cockermouth rang 720 Oxford Bob Minor, in 31 minutes, with 209 faults. Egremont rang 576 Kent Treble Bob Major, in 23 minutes, with 41 faults. Arlecdon rang Bob Minor, but failed to complete the 720. Egremont band were, therefore, declared the winners, and the shield was presented to the captain to hold for the next 12 months.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells and presiding at the meeting, to Mr. Barber for adjudicating, to Mr. Wilkinson, of Aspatria, for making the necessary arrangements for tea, etc., and to the ladies who waited at the tables.

This brought to a close one of the most successful meetings the Association has held, and steps were then retraced to the tower, where further ringing was indulged in.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The peal of 10,400 of Double Superlative was successfully accomplished at the Bell Foundry, Loughborough, last Saturday, and exceeds the longest length of Superlative previously rung, the 9,728 at Cleat, in 1910, which is held to be the extent in the method with bobs on the front only.

The combined practices, at Arundel, Sussex, to which all ringers are invited, is to take place on each second Saturday of the month, not each Saturday, as mentioned last week.

In the year 1837, on May 15th, a peal of 12,096 Grandsire Casters was rung at Fulham, in 7 hours 50 minutes, 'being the greatest amount of changes ever performed by ten men only, the truth of which is attested by several of the ablest judges of the art, who witnessed the whole performance, and which can only be equalled by the same ability and persevering exertions.' This peal was rung by the St. James' Society, after an unsuccessful attempt which reached over 9,000 changes on a previous date.

Unfortunately for the record, which it was believed this peal set up, the peal of 12,312 changes had been rung by ten men only at Painswick on May 5th, twenty years before.

It was on May 15th, 1894, that the then longest length of Superlative Surprise Major was rung at Loughborough, in 6 hrs. 16 mins. This was 8,800, composed and conducted by Nathan J. Pitstow. The present President of the Central Council (Canon Coleridge), then a curate at Caversham, took part in the peal.

On May 18th, 1883, Sam Wood conducted the 16,608 Kent Treble Bob Major, at Mottram-in-Longdendale, Lancs, in 9 hours 48 mins.

May 18th also brings another interesting anniversary, for it was on that day in 1846 that Thurstons' famous twin-bob peal of Stedman Triples was rung for the first time.

The first peal of Court Bob Major was rung by the College Youths on May 17th, 1735, at St. Lawrence Jewry.

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

A most successful meeting was held at Llantrisant on Saturday week, when a goodly number of ringers from both the dioceses put in an appearance. The bells, a ring of six, cast by Evans, of Chepstow, in 1718, with a tenor of about 11cwt., were raised early in the afternoon, and rung in the standard methods. At 4.30, service was conducted in the Parish Church by the Rev. C. R. Rees (curate), in the unavoidable absence of the Vicar, who was called away to take part in the funeral of his only brother, Dr. John Howell Griffiths of Fulham Road, London.

Tea and the business meeting followed in the Church Rooms. Instructors' reports were presented, and new members elected.

The place chosen for the next Glamorgan meeting was Merthyr, subject, of course, to the approval of the Vicar.

The ever-welcome Mr. J. H. Shepherd, of Swindon, was amongst the visitors.

Mention was made that the members of the Bouvillstone tower had scored their first peal, which was most gratifying, seeing that it is not so very long ago that they became affiliated to the Association, and discarded call changes.

Before the meeting closed the wonderful performance of the College Youths at Appleton in ringing the record length was touched upon by the Hon. Secretary, who also mentioned that this Association was indebted to one of the performers, Mr. R. T. Hibbert, for conducting several of the earliest peals rung by this Association. Mr. Hibbert at the time being resident at Newport for a short period.

After the meeting, the bells were again rung until late in the evening, bringing to a close a most enjoyable gathering.

## THE LADIES' GUILD.

The quarterly meeting of the Midland District was held at Solihull on Saturday, April 29th, members being present from Evesham, Cleat, Tipton, Handsworth and Smilthwick. Much regret was felt at the absence of Miss Pigott, owing to illness. The local ladies and the visitors, with the help of two visiting gentlemen kept the bells going during the afternoon. Tea was kindly provided by the local ladies. The Rector (the Rev. Harvey Brooks) joined the company at the meal. He also officiated at the service, at which the Guild form was used. The organist also assisted. Ringing was again indulged in until the usual rush for the train brought a very pleasant afternoon to a close.

**KIDDERMINSTER.** — On Wednesday, April 5th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 43 mins.: Ralph Davies (1st quarter-peal) 1. T. J. Salter 2. E. J. Brooks 3. K. Salter 4. J. Woodberry 5. C. H. Woodberry 6. J. George (conductor) 7. J. Davies 8.

## THE APPLETON LONG PEAL. THE QUESTION OF WEIGHT. FROM A CORRESPONDENT.

Diverse opinions have been expressed concerning the merits of the long peal at Appleton. As the Loughborough record was rung under the auspices of the Midland Counties Association, the views of Mr. W. Willson, who rang in the 18,027, on April 12th, 1909, and who is also an officer of the M.C.A., have been obtained by a correspondent, and will be read with interest.

'What do you think of the Appleton peal?' Mr. Willson was asked. 'I think it a fine performance—considering the time it occupied.'

'You will admit it supplants the Loughborough peal?'

'No, I will not,' was the reply.

'Why not? It is longer in time and greater in the number of changes.'

'Yes, but when you have said that you have said all. Look at the weight of metal? Does that not count at all? Let me be fair. I am a College Youth myself, and I am fully convinced that the presence of men like Challis Winney and Langdon, is a guarantee that a straight peal was rung, but there are some points that require explanation.'

'What are they?'

'What are they? Why, where were the figures before the peal? Who were the umpires? Why was the peal sprung upon the Exercise at a few hours' notice? Why take a record length to a hole-and-corner place like Appleton, where not one ringer in a hundred could get to?'

'Well, it appears to be a regular place for long lengths.'

'Yes, and I should think they are jolly glad of its situation. Don't think I am jealous of their success, for I am not built that way; but when a big performance is beaten, it should be beaten on its merits.'

'But it was 3,000 longer than the Loughborough peal?'

'Yes, and they are entitled to every credit for that, but I ask you, which is the greater feat, to ring twelve hours and eighteen minutes on a ring with a tenor of 30½ cwt., or seven minutes longer on a ring with a tenor only 14½ cwt.? There seems to me no sort of comparison—although I may be considered an interested party.'

'On what ground could you upset it?'

'I have no desire or intention to try and upset it; but understand this, if the Central Council rules for record peals stand for anything at all, those rules have got to be observed, otherwise a record will not be recognised.'

'Are the rules regarding figures and notice always observed?'

'They have been as far as I am concerned. The Loughborough figures were common property, and ringers outside held them. Also when I went for the Wigston long peal, the composition was sent to the President of the M.C.A., to the Oxford Guild, and to the "Bell News." In addition, it stated where the place was and how to get there.'

'Did not the M.C.A. get the figures of the Appleton peal in advance?'

'Not to my knowledge. I should have heard something about it.'

'Is an umpire necessary?'

'Yes, for a record length it should be compulsory. No one can deny that there is an element of sport in record breaking, and a band can claim anything if not attested by others outside the band.'

'Will an attempt be made to beat it?'

A pause ensued, during which 'W.W.' eyed our correspondent carefully.

'Well,' he said, 'I suppose you know that Loughborough bell foundry now has ten bells. We should be justified in going there for 25,000—that is if you think Appleton has beaten Loughborough old church peal, but it won't be there. The tenor is only 6½ cwt.—mere handbells, and people would laugh and call it a farce—and they would be right. That's why I laugh when you suggest that the Appleton 14½ cwt. peal has beaten Loughborough 30½ cwt.'

'Then you are content to let it stand as it is?'

'I cannot answer that. I don't know the opinions of Mr. W. Pye, the conductor, and you cannot pick up ten men to ring the clock round, at every street corner. It's never safe to prophesy until you know.'

'Then an attempt to beat the peal is not likely?'

'You know Mr. Asquith's formula—"wait and see." I notice a writer in "The Ringing World" this week says: "Who shall say we will beat it?" You can take it from me that given a ten bell tower suitable for the job, this Appleton record, as far as it goes, is likely to come unstuck before this time next year.'

Under the regulations laid down by the Central Council a sealed copy of the figures should be lodged, previous to the attempt, with the secretary or other responsible officer of the Association, under whose title the band is to ring and in the event of the peal being accomplished, such officer should forward the sealed copy direct to the ringing journal for publication. The rules also add that, if possible, a competent representative of each of the bands shall be present during the whole of the performance.—Ed. 'R.W.'

## SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. TITLE TO BE LEFT TO THE BISHOP TO DEFINE.

An enthusiastic meeting of the Suffolk Diocesan Association was held in Ipswich on Saturday, April 29th, Archdeacon Farmiloe being in the chair. The draft rules as presented by the committee were passed with slight revision. These were founded on those published as model rules by the Central Council, and contain no novel features, except that there is provision for a tower to compound for the subscriptions of the ringers, clergy, steepkeeper and clerk, by the payment during January of as many subscriptions as there are bells. A number of towers had promised to join, the subscriptions being paid by the Parochial Church Council, if this were passed. Another rule makes all decisions of the Central Council binding on the Association.

The question of title was then discussed. Mr. Ed. Evans attempted to defend the Norwich and Ipswich Association, but it was made clear to him by the chairman, that the Bishop both objected to the unauthorised introduction of the word diocesan into their title, and also to the use of his name in the columns of 'The Ringing World' as though he disapproved of his own Diocesan Association. It was decided to leave the title to the Bishop to define.

On the invitation of the Archdeacon it was decided to hold the annual meeting at Bury St. Edmunds in the early summer.

The Rev. H. Drake and Mr. Charles Mee were elected as representatives on the Central Council. Archdeacon Darling was elected as vice-president, as well as a number of new members, bringing the numbers from West Suffolk over 100, and those from East Suffolk not far behind.

## THE SUFFOLK CONTROVERSY.

Letters upon this subject from various correspondents are unavoidably held over.

## CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

By kind permission of the Rector (the Rev. C. H. Beedle), a quarterly meeting of the Wellingboro' district was held at Yardley Hastings, on April 29th, members being present from Northampton, Wellingboro', Irthlingboro', Finedon, Higham Ferrers, Desborough, Wootley, Isham, Wollaston, Earls Barton, Easton Mauduit, Castle Ashby, Thrapston, Ringstead, Olney, and the local ringers. The bells are a very good peal of six, and were kept going during the afternoon and evening in various methods, amongst them being Cambridge Surprise Minor, Woodbine and Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Stedman, and Grandfire Doubles.

A short service was held in the fine old church, conducted by the Rector, who gave a very warm welcome to the Association, and also gave a very interesting address on the inscriptions on the various bells in the tower, pointing out how they could be applied to each member individually.

The party then adjourned to the Schoolroom, about 37 sitting down to a very enjoyable tea, kindly arranged by the lady members of the Church Council.

The business meeting followed, the Rector presiding. Amongst others present were Mr. G. Randall, of Higham Ferrers the vice-president of the district, Miss Atkins, and Mr. W. Wilson of Isham, the treasurer of the Association.

Irthlingborough was chosen as the next place of meeting, on July 8th.

Votes of thanks were given to the Rector for the use of the bells and for his address, to the organist, and to the local ringers; also to Mr. A. Smart for his help in getting some of the members to the meeting, and the ladies who helped with the tea. Some of the members then wended their way back to the tower for another pull, while others looked round this interesting and old-time village.

## RINGING IN VANCOUVER.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir.—I am sending you these few lines just to let you know we are still to be found at the end of a rope every Thursday and Sunday evening.

Last Sunday (April 7th) we had the very great pleasure of a visit from Mr. R. J. Carrier, who is now living at Victoria and also Mr. George W. Foster, from Fort Hanez, some 35 miles from here. Then with Messrs. Farrington, Jones, and myself, we had just half the old band, who had the honour of ringing the first peal in the Dominion, again in the tower. We have not had Mr. Carrier with us since 1911. The other ringers present were Messrs. J. Parkinson, George Roberts A. P. Goddard, Wm. Sampson and Arthur King. We passed most of the afternoon till service time ringing touches on the tower and handbells. We attempted a quarter-peal, which was lost near the finish, after excellent striking which though regretted, was compensated for by the pleasure of seeing old faces in the tower—once more.—Yours truly,  
A. C. LIMPUS.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. ANNUAL MEETING OF CENTRAL DIVISION.

On Easter Monday, the annual meeting of the Central Division was held at Ditchling, 54 ringers being present. The musical peal of six at Keymer, by Mearns and Stainbank, was also open, and being about half-way between Hassocks Station and Ditchling, gave the opportunity for some very good six bell ringing. All assembled at 4.30 for the service at Ditchling Church, the address being given by the Vicar (the Rev. C. P. Williams), and a collection (amounting to 15s. 3d.) being taken for the Benevolent Fund. Afterwards, at the Schoolroom, a most liberal tea was provided by friends residing in the parish, and interested in their ringers.

The business meeting followed, the Vicar of Ditchling presiding, supported by the Rector of Keymer (the Rev. H. C. Bond), Mr. J. Brown and Mr. Geo. Mayston (wardens), and the Master of the Association (Mr. J. T. Rickman).

The following new members were elected: Messrs. J. Dearlove, H. E. Good and A. V. Good (St. Peter's Brighton), W. Pelling (Offham), E. Andrews (Ditchling), H. Richardson (Hurstpierpoint), R. Andrews and F. Andrews (Bolney), and the election of R. Richardson (Surfleet), G. Steer (Guildford), W. R. Madgwick (Surrey), H. Whitehead (Dover), and Alec Richardson (Tunbridge Wells) was confirmed. Mr. R. Newton (churchwarden, Balcombe) was also made a hon. member of the Association.

All the officers of the division were re-elected, viz.: A. D. Stone (hon. secretary), R. J. Dawe, E. C. Merritt and Wm. Watts, senr. (committee), Keith Hart, W. Palmer and C. Tylor (committee of advice).

The following brief report and statement of accounts for the past year was then submitted by the hon. secretary. During the year meetings were held at Burgess Hill, Crawley, and Bolney, the average attendance being 40. The methods rung at all these meetings ranged from Grandsire Triples to Surprise. At each of the meetings tea was provided for those attending by the kindness of residents in the respective parishes who were interested in their local ringers. The number of towers in the division affiliated to the Association remains the same, viz., 22, one tower (Worth) having left the Association, and one tower (Twineham) having become affiliated. If any members should know of a tower in the division where the ringers are sufficiently interested in change ringing to become affiliated, he should let the secretary know. An expression of thanks is due from the Association and the divisional hon. secretary, to those members who have assisted in the local arrangements for the divisional meetings, the success of which is, in a very large measure, due to their courtesy and willing assistance. It is hoped that local secretaries will send in particulars necessary for the report, as requested in the notice convening that meeting. In conclusion, the Secretary reminded members of the Association's Benevolent Fund, and said that if anyone should know of a qualified member being in difficulties, through illness or otherwise, he should bring the matter to the knowledge of the Association.—A statement of accounts was then read, and showed receipts, £27 0s. 9d.; expenditure, £4 2s. 10d.; balance paid to treasurer, £22 17s. 11d. The collections taken for the Benevolent Fund amounted to £2 15s. 7½d. Total amount received £29 16s. 4½d. Total paid to hon. treasurer (after paying expenses of division), £25 13s. 6½d.—The report and statement of accounts were received with applause.

Mr. E. C. Merritt then drew attention to the new rules, to be submitted to the annual general meeting for adoption, and especially to the rule stating that the subscriptions of non-resident members should be sent to the hon. general secretary instead of the divisional secretary, as has been the custom in the past. He strongly disapproved of the change; it would cause both trouble and expense. The general secretary did not require a fund. If he wanted petty cash he had only to apply to the treasurer for it. He also disapproved of the term 'council.' It was quite unnecessary, and he much preferred the term 'general committee,' as in the old rules. Finally, Mr. Merritt appealed to all who possibly could to attend the annual general meeting, and express their opinion by giving their vote one way or another.

The Master then proposed votes of thanks to the Vicar of Ditchling for the use of the bells for his excellent address and for presiding at the meeting; to the Rector of Keymer for the use of the bells, the churchwardens, the organist, to all those friends who had kindly provided tea, and to the ladies who had so ably waited upon the party.—The motion was carried with loud applause.

Both towers were again visited until eight o'clock, when the bells were lowered in peal. As is usual, the methods rung ranged from Grandsire to Surprise. The following tower were represented: Balcombe, Bolney, Brighton (St. Peter's and St. Nicholas'), Burgess Hill, Cuckfield, Ditchling, Hensfield, Heene, Hurstpierpoint, Keymer, Southover (Lewes), Lindfield, Twineham, Waldron.

**SALISBURY.**—On Saturday, April 1st, at St. Martin's, 720 Bob Minor: R. P. Knight 1, S. R. Roper (conductor, Croydon) 2, F. W. Romfene 3, E. Dibben 4, F. Precey 5, S. Macey 6.

## NEW METHODS.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—Mr. Pye's letter in the current issue of 'The Ringing World' calls for some explanation on my part. I quite agree with him when he says my knowledge of Bristol is limited, having rung only three peals (no touches) in three attempts without practice. But surely Mr. Pye is not serious when he expects me (with my limited knowledge) to believe him when he says he has called peals of Bristol with the 6th 12 courses at home. If he had said 12 course-ends it would be nearer the mark.

Despite what Mr. Pye says about Premier, I still think it is the better method, for it allows more scope for extents without adulteration than does Bristol.

I plead guilty of calling such 'freaks' as Forward, Erin, Duffield, Dublin Complex and Double Superlative. My reasons for doing so were to obtain the best music. Mr. Pye has good right to be amused about my reference to too many calls in Bristol. If he refers to his first letter, he will find that he is the author of that phrase. In conclusion, I am accused of criticising others for not doing the same as myself. I will leave it to the Exercise to decide as to who is guilty of criticising.—Yours, etc.,

W. H. BARBER.

## KIDDERMINSTER RINGERS ENTERTAINED.

MR. JAMES GEORGE CELEBRATES HIS PEAL OF LONDON.

There are many ways of spending an enjoyable evening, and to invite your friends to dine with you is one. To celebrate the successful ringing of a peal of London Surprise at Kinver, on March 25th, a party of twenty ringers enjoyed a well-served dinner at the Anchor Hotel, Kidderminster, at the invitation of Mr. Jas. George. The chair was taken by Alderman J. S. Pritchett, and after the toast of 'The King,' 'the Health of Mr. James George' was proposed by the Chairman, in his usual happy vein. He said they had met to celebrate a peal in which Mr. George had taken part, and although he had rung 713 peals he had never before rung a peal of London Surprise on an inside bell. It was believed to be the first time in the annals of change ringing that a man had accomplished his first peal in this intricate method inside at the age of 68. The more records Mr. George made the better they would be pleased, and on behalf of those present he offered his hearty congratulations, with thanks for his kind invitation.

Letters of apology were announced from the Rev. Canon Badger, Messrs. B. Gough, H. Chapman, J. E. Groves, A. P. Smith and A. J. Hessian. One writer said: 'I hope you will ring as many more as your heart can desire and your body support.' Another said: 'I have heard ringers say you would never ring one, am pleased they have been deceived.'

Mr. George, in reply, said how delighted he was to entertain them all, and wished there had been no apologies. He need not say how pleased he was to have rung this peal of London. He enjoyed it so much he hoped he should ring a thousand more. He was fully convinced that this method must be learned at home, and his charge now was 2s. 6d. a lesson (laughter). He could not speak too highly of the Kidderminster band, who had allowed him to attend their practices, and also altered their practice night to oblige him.

Mr. A. E. Parsons, in proposing the health of the peal band, said Mr. George was lucky in having the opportunity to stand in with such a good company. He mentioned that more than 20 years ago he took part in four peals of London rung in succession, but this band had accomplished seven peals, and he regretted he was not one of their number.—Mr. E. Matthews, the popular conductor, was called upon to reply, and emphasised the fact that the peal was well rung. He spoke feelingly of the kindness and help he had always received from Mr. Salter and Mr. Short, and to be asked to conduct the peal was a great honour. He congratulated Mr. George on the correct way he rang his bell.

Mr. George proposed 'Health and prosperity to the Kidderminster band.'—Mr. T. J. Salter, responding, said some people might perhaps think Mr. George had been specially favoured in coming there to practise London, but it was not so. There were a great many ringers who had come for peals or to practise the higher methods, in view of a peal, and the same channel was still open for any ringer, young or old, but he would advise him to persevere, and come in the right spirit. Mr. George had persevered and certainly acted in a gentlemanly spirit, which had helped him to be successful.—Mr. J. Woodberry proposed the visitors, to which Mr. A. E. Parsons replied.

Mr. R. E. Grove proposed 'The health of the Chairman,' which was heartily received, and Alderman Pritchett briefly replied. He said how pleased he was to come to Kidderminster once again. He remembered coming there some 30 years ago, and taking part in a peal of Stedman Triples, which was conducted by Mr. Grove. He (the Chairman) had to meet a great many people, but nothing pleased him better than to be amongst ringers.

The toasts were interspersed with handbell selections, courses of Stedman Triples, Grandsire Caters, Stedman Caters and Grandsire Cinques.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**FULHAM.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday, May 7th, for evening service, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: H. Folkard 1, E. J. Walsom (first quarter on 10 bells) 2, W. Wood 3, A. Cuttmore 4, W. Judd 5, F. Skevington 6, H. Belcher 7, G. Hes 8, J. Driver (conductor) 9, A. Harding 10.

**HIGH WYCOMBE.**—At the Parish Church, for evensong, on Sunday, May 7th, 1,120 Bob Royal, in 49 mins.: P. S. C. A. Smith 1, G. Twitchen 2, F. Hayes 3, R. Coles 4, E. Markham 5, G. White 6, F. Boxell 7, J. W. Wilkins (conductor) 8, S. T. Goodchild 9, J. Gransbury 10.

**LINSLADE, BUCKS.**—On Sunday, May 7th, for evening service 358 Bob Major: G. White 1, W. Dedman 2, W. Jeffs 3, J. Sear 4, A. Vickers 5, J. Lovett (Mentmore) 6, F. Buttrum (first 'inside' 7), F. Vickers 8; and 168 Oxford Bob Triples.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, May 7th, for evening service, at St. Magnus-the-Martyr, Lower Thames Street City, 1,260 Stedman Caters: T. W. Taffender 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, A. V. Good 3, E. J. King 4, J. Carter 5, H. Burton 6, J. R. Gammon 7, I. J. Attwater 8, G. A. Card 9, H. W. Hewson 10.

**NORTHAMPTON.**—On Sunday, April 30th, for morning service, at St. Edmund's Church, 1,280 Bob Major: W. Gammage 1, J. Meiharell 2, J. Dean 3, J. Hensman 5, J. Mackay 5, B. Soden 6, W. Farey 7, W. J. Allen (conductor) 8.

**BARKING, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, April 30th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 48 mins.: A. C. Hardy 1, W. Beard 2, F. Russell 3, J. Waghorn, sen., 4, W. G. Jackson 5, C. Fenn (conductor) 6, R. Fenn 7, E. G. Cottis 8.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Stephen's, on Sunday, April 30th, for morning service, and also as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 4th, 1,386 Grandsire Triples (taken from 'The Ringing World'), in 48 mins.: H. A. Harding 1, E. J. Walsom 2, E. Harris 3, P. E. Clark 4, W. H. Hollier 5, C. Edwards 6, H. Belcher (conductor) 7, H. Brooks 8.

**KIDDLINGTON, OXON.**—On Sunday, April 30th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): F. Webb 1, J. Judge 2, L. Tuffrey 3, W. F. Judge 4, M. Smith (Banbury) 5, W. Stone 6, W. Judge (conductor) 7, J. Franklin 8.

**NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT.**—At St. Thomas' Church, on Sunday, 30th April, for Matins, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: W. Johnson 1, W. Chambers 2, T. Scamell 3, J. Bacon 4, A. Callaway 5, W. Scott, senr., 6, W. Upton (conductor) 7, J. Leal 8.—For evensong, on the same day, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: W. Johnson (conductor) 1, W. Chambers 2, T. Scamell 3, W. Scott, senr., 4, T. Callaway 5, W. Scott, junr., 6, W. Upton 7, J. Leal 8. Arranged especially for Tom Scamell, a former ringer of this tower, who was sailing on the following Thursday for Australia, his brother ringers wishing him 'goodspeed and good luck.' First quarter-peal of Stedman for ringers of 3, 6 and tenor.

**NORTHAMPTON.**—At St. Peter's Church, on Sunday, April 23rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): J. Dean 1, B. Bailey 2, F. Hopper 3, J. Dove 4, W. R. Parker 5, W. Farey 6, W. H. Austin (first quarter of Stedman as conductor) 7, J. Wilkins 8. Rung in honour of St. George's Day: also as a birthday compliment to the eldest son of the ringer of the treble.

**FULBOURN, CAMBS.**—For 7 a.m. Communion Service, on Easter Day, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: J. Stalley 1, J. Page 2, J. Giddens 3, C. E. Patten (conductor) 4, A. Page 5, G. Bridge 6, C. Hall (cover) 7.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 47 mins.: J. Stalley 1, J. Page 2, C. Hall 3, J. Giddens 4, J. Newington (first quarter of Kent) 5, A. Page 6, C. E. Patten (composer and conductor) 7, G. Bridge 8.

**NORTON, STAFFS.**—On Easter Day, for Matins, 720 Wells Surprise: G. E. Lawrence 1, T. Bettison 2, J. W. Walker (conductor) 3, W. O. Lawrence 4, J. E. Wheelton 5, J. Walley; and 240 London Surprise, T. Bettison conductor.—For evensong, 720 Cambridge Surprise: W. C. Lawrence 1, T. Bettison 2, J. E. Wheelton (conductor) 3, J. W. Walker 4, J. Walley 5, J. F. Ryles 6. Also 240 Violet, conducted by F. T. Dawson. Mr. T. Bettison hails from Mansfield Woodhouse.

**KIDDERMINSTER.**—On Easter Day, at the Parish Church, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): N. Davies 1, G. Davies 2, T. J. Salter 3, K. Salter 4, J. Woodberry 5, J. Davies 6, C. H. Woodberry (conductor) 7, E. J. Brooks 8. Rung on the occasion of the opening of the Whittall Chapel erected at a cost of £8,000 which has been entirely defrayed by Mr. Matthew J. Whittall, of Worcester, Mass. The donor, who was present at the ceremony, left Kidderminster 50 years ago, and has built up the latest earnest business in the world.

**NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT.**—At St. Thomas' Church, on Easter Day, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 47 mins.: J. Simmonds 1, W. Chambers 2, W. Johnson 3, J. Bacon 4, A. Callaway 5, W. Scott, junr., 6, W. Upton (conductor) 7, J. Leal 8.

## NOMENCLATURE OF MINOR METHODS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The Analysis Committee of the Central Council were in possession of a considerable amount of research notes in connection with the nomenclature of Minor Methods, but we have failed to find them amongst the mass of papers which our late revered chairman left behind. As he never destroyed even a postcard, it is probable that he sent them to some member of the Exercise. The compilers, unfortunately, have only very sketchy notes of their contents, and to reproduce them will involve a great amount of work. We shall be very grateful if anyone can throw any light upon the question of their present whereabouts, and still more so if the papers can be sent to me.—Yours faithfully, E. W. CARPENTER.  
Kingerby Vicarage, Lincoln.

## DOUBLE SUPERLATIVE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Mr. Dexter cannot but accept the blame for making an ambiguous statement in the first instance. He is right when he says more than 9,600 changes are available, two other half-leads being admissible. He is also to be congratulated on being the first to discover that so many of these broken leads can be introduced into a peal.—Yours sincerely, JOSEPH W. PARKER.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY.

PRESENTATION OF MR. T. J. ELTON.

A quarterly meeting was held at Pelsall on April 29th, with a very fair attendance of members. The four standard methods were rung on the six bells during the afternoon and evening. A service was held in church, conducted by the Rev. C. H. Barker, and an interesting address was given by the Vicar (the Rev. W. Armstrong).

A capital tea was served in the Schoolroom by local ladies, followed by the presentation of a silver bell-shaped inkstand to Mr. T. J. Elton, of Walsall, for his kindly assistance in helping the local band to grasp the intricacies of change ringing. The Rev. C. H. Barker was asked to make the presentation, and in doing so congratulated the band on having such a capable man to instruct them, with evident success as had been witnessed during the afternoon.

Mr. Cooper, on behalf of the band, thanked Mr. Elton for his valuable aid, and expressed the hope that he would continue to assist them.

Mr. Elton, who was taken completely by surprise thanked the donors for their kindly thought and action, and intimated that his services were still at their disposal, if they wished to make further progress.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar organist and choir and to the caterers, was carried with acclamation, thus bringing the meeting to a close.

The annual meeting is provisionally arranged to take place on June 17th or 24th, at Lichfield.

## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The Easter Monday meeting of this Association was held at Carlton, in Cleveland, by special invitation of the President (the Rev. J. L. Kyle). The gathering was most satisfactory, over sixty ringers attending from Grimsby, Leeds, Sharow, Northallerton, Darlington (St. John's and Holy Trinity), West Hartlepool (St. Oswald and St. Aiden's), Stockton-on-Tees, Middlesbrough, Ormesby, Skelton, Saltburn, Whitby, Wath, Shildon and Carlton. Dinner was kindly provided by the president, and ample justice was done to the good old English fare.

Afterwards the company honoured the toast of 'The King,' and votes of thanks to those who had provided the meal and attended to the wants of the visitors were carried unanimously.

At this meeting there is very little business done, and this allows the ringers more opportunity for social intercourse and to get considerably more ringing.

A short service was held in the church at 3.30 p.m. The address was to have been given by the Dean of Ripon, but he was unable to be present owing to indisposition. The president, therefore, undertook the duty at short notice, and gave a most interesting discourse, appealing to the ringers to try and be at peace with everyone, and reminding them of their duty towards God in the great work they undertook.

The ringing throughout the day was exceedingly good considering the mixed nature of the bands that rang together. The methods rung included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major, and several courses of Grandsire Triples on handbells. The day was a very pleasant one.

'GRANDSIRE DOUBLES & TRIPLES, SIMPLY EXPLAINED.'—2nd edition.—Intended for Beginners and for those who find the ordinary books of instruction too technical. Price 6d. Post Free 7d. 12 copies 5/9. Post Free. To be obtained from I. Roe and M. Broome, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath.

### BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY MEETING.

The 40th anniversary of the formation of the Bedfordshire Association was celebrated in Bedford on Easter Monday. The bells of St. Paul's and St. Peter's were available all day, and were made good use of by the members and friends who attended.

The service was held at noon, conducted by the President (Canon Baker), in the absence of Canon J. H. Speck, Vicar of St. Paul's, through illness. An admirable sermon was preached by the Rev. Guy Beech, Rector of Turvey, and an hon. member of the Association, which was much appreciated by the members.

Luncheon was held in the Drill Hall of St. Paul's Mission, and the meeting which followed was presided over by Canon W. W. C. Baker, who recalled that Mr. Edwin Ransom and himself were the only two present who were at the formation of the Association. Other foundation members now living were Mr. F. T. Tanqueray, who called the first 720 of Bob Minor rung for the Association; Mr. H. Thody, and Mr. Charles Herbert, of Woburn, to whose efforts the success of scientific change ringing in Bedfordshire was largely due.

It was decided to send a message of respect and regret at his absence to Mr. Herbert, through his son, who was present.

Canon Baker said, on looking back, he remembered the early annual meetings. They had a great luncheon at the Swan Hotel, and, he believed, invited the High Sheriff. They had better ringing now, and ate less luncheon (loud laughter). They had in some ways exceeded the expectations of those days, in the adoption of Surprise ringing, for instance, as in the early days, Surprise seemed a long way off. But in other directions he was not sure they had achieved the expectations they reasonably cherished at that time, for there were still many villages in the county where change ringing was even now unknown. The war was no doubt responsible for that, as for a great many things.

Canon Baker was re-elected President, on the proposition of Mr. E. Ransom, seconded by Mr. Nicholls.—In reply, Canon Baker said he began as a committeeman, acted as assistant secretary, sole secretary, and as vice-president, so he had graduated in all positions of honour in the Association.

The vice-presidents were elected as follows: Messrs. E. Ransom, Charles Herbert, A. King and Miss Evelyn Steel.

Mr. A. E. Sharman was re-elected hon. secretary and treasurer, on the proposition of the Chairman; Mr. F. T. Tanqueray was re-elected hon. auditor; and Mr. H. Bacchus and Mrs. Leader hon. members.

The annual summer festival was fixed for Woburn, or failing that, Dunstable.

A discussion was raised by Mr. Harlow to amend Rule 9, relating to the fee for booking peals.—Mr. Harlow proposed, and Mr. Stapleton seconded, that the Association should go back to the pre-war figure of 1d. per member.

A very interesting debate took place, and finally Mr. F. Webb moved an amendment, which was seconded by Mr. E. J. Hobbs that 2d. per member be paid.—Mr. Harlow then withdrew his motion, and Mr. Webb's amendment was carried.

The Hon. Secretary was asked to obtain, if possible, a complete set of reports issued since the formation of the Association, and get them bound in book form, so that a record of office holders and members and all peals, would be at the disposal of the Association.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicars of St. Paul's and St. Peter's, and to the Rev. G. Beech for his address, was passed, and brought a very pleasant meeting to a close.

Members then vended their way to the towers, and ringing took place until a late hour.

### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

#### MAIDSTONE DISTRICT.

The annual district meeting was held at Leeds, on Saturday, April 29th. After ringing during the afternoon, a service was held, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. E. Swan). Tea was then partaken of at the George Inn, provided by the Association, to which between 70 and 80 sat down.

A business meeting followed, presided over by the Vicar.—The Secretary read his report for the year, which was very satisfactory, showing an average attendance of 45 at the six meetings held, and 27 new members and three honorary members elected.

Mr. S. Hryzelden was again elected secretary, and Messrs. T. Manering and H. G. Sone, district representatives. Six new members were proposed, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Charing, on July 8th.

The Secretary proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for arranging the service, and also for presiding at the meeting.—The Vicar, in reply, welcomed the ringers, and hoped they would soon visit Leeds again, so as to give him the pleasure of providing tea for them. The towers represented at the meeting were East Farleigh, Barning, Linton, Hutton, Yalding, Bexley, Bearsted, East and West Malling, Hollingbourne, Leeds, St. Michael's, Maidstone; All Saints', Maidstone; Lenham; Snodland, Rochester, Gillingham, Tunstall, Frittenden, Tenterden, Staplehurst and Marden. There was further ringing during the evening.

### NOTICES.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on May 30th; St. Magnus, 25th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, 16th; and Southwark Cathedral on the 23rd, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Established 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at Aston on Saturday, May 13th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea at 5.30 in Vicarage Rooms.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Urchfont on Saturday, May 13th. Bells (8) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Short business meeting after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Penwortham on May 13th. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6. Tea will be provided at a nominal charge of 6d. each.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 13th, at Yeovil. Service 4.15, tea and meeting to follow. Visitors welcome.—F. Farrant, Martock, Somerset.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Port Sunlight on Saturday, May 13th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6. Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, Sec., 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Romford on Saturday, May 13th. Bells ready at 2.30. Service at 4 o'clock. Tea (1/- each), and Meeting to follow. Subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—W. H. Theobald, Hon. Dist. Sec., 49, Portway, E.15.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A district meeting will be held at Benwell on Saturday, May 13th, under the Vice-Presidency of George R. Holmes, Esq. Tower opens 3 p.m.—James E. Gofton, District Sec., 25, Ashbrooke, Monkseaton.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Chertsey on Saturday, May 13th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30, tea and meeting to follow. All welcome.—H. F. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next Monthly meeting will be held at Sandal on Saturday, May 13th, at 2.30 p.m. Tea will be provided at a reasonable charge, but due notice must be sent to Mr. H. Robinson, joiner, etc., Sandal, Wakefield. This renowned peal of 6 bells being easy of access by train, tram and motor bus, all members are specially invited.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Berrow (near Burnham-on-Sea) on Saturday, May 13th. Service 5.30. Tea and meeting after. Bells (6), afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, 35, Oxford Street, Burnham-on-Sea.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—A special meeting will be held at Great Brington on Saturday, May 13th; usual arrangements.—S. J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Road, Northampton, District Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—The Spring meeting will be held at Woodstock on Saturday, May 13th. Service in the Parish Church at 3 p.m. Address to be given by the Rev. E. D. Sedding (Vicar of Freeland). Tea at the Bear Hotel at 3.45 at 1/6 each. Meeting to follow. Bells available during the day. All ringers welcome.—John Monk, Hon. Branch Sec., 17, Cape Terrace, Witney, Oxon.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—The meeting at Clapham Park, on May 13th, has been postponed.—E. K. Parker, 17, Wellington Road, Enfield.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Annual General meeting at Brighton to-morrow, Saturday, May 13th. Business meeting in St. Nicholas' Hall at 3 p.m., followed by tea (1/6 per head) at the Imperial Hotel, Queen's Road, at 5 p.m. Service in St. Nicholas' Church 6 p.m. Ringing at St. Nicholas' 2 to 2.45, and at St. Peter's after the service.—Rev. C. H. Clarke, Hon. Gen. Sec., 10, Silverdale Road, Hove.

**LONDON, ST. CLEMENTS' YOUTHS,** St. Clement Danes, Strand, W.C.—Practice every Wednesday evening 6.30 till 8 o'clock. Ringing Sunday mornings, May 14th and 28th, 10 till 11 o'clock. Sunday afternoon, May 14th, 2.15 till 3.15 o'clock. Business meeting Wednesday evening, May 31st, at 8 o'clock.—F. W. H. Sergison, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.—St. Clement Danes, May 15th and 29th. Sundays at 10 a.m.—St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Near Slough.

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bradford-on-Tone on Saturday, May 20th. Bells (6) from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Tea will be provided for those who send word to me by Monday morning, May 15th.—P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Great Baddow on Saturday, May 20th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting in the Iron Room. Buses leave Chelmsford Station 2.15 p.m. and 3.15 p.m., returning at 7 p.m., 7.40 p.m. and 9.40 p.m. Will all members intending to be present please let me know on or before Wednesday, May 17?—P. Timson, Hon. Dist. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas, Chiswick, W., on Saturday, May 20th. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Tea will be arranged at 5.30 p.m. Will members please notify me by the 16th?—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Barnet on Saturday, May 20th. Short service at 6 p.m., to which all are invited. Tea at 6.30, at 1/6 per head, for those who state they require same. The bells at Barnet and Hadley will be available for ringing from 3 o'clock and during the evening.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Willington on Saturday, May 20th. Bells at 2.30 o'clock. All ringers and friends welcomed.—H. L. Harlow, Dist. Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Singleton, near Poulton (6 bells), on Saturday, May 20th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 5.30.—C. Sharples, Branch Secretary, 32, Ormond Avenue, Blackpool.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Debenham District.—A meeting for practice will be held at Stonham Aspal (10 bells) on Saturday, May 20th. Bells available from 2 p.m.—E. E. Grimes, Dist. Sec., Vicarage Road, Debenham.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—A Combined Practice in Surprise Methods only will be held at Sevenoaks on Saturday, May 20th. Tower open at 3 p.m. All Surprise ringers welcome.—W. Latter, Hon. Dist. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at New Romney on Saturday, May 20th. Ringing to commence at 3 o'clock. Service at 5, tea at 5.30. The usual travelling allowances will be paid at this meeting. Will all members intending to be present kindly notify me on or before Tuesday 16th?—C. Tribe, Hon. Dist. Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Isle of Wight District.—Next meeting Saturday, 20th May, at Whitwell. Bells (6) available 2. Service at 4. Tea 4.30. All intending to be present for tea kindly let Sec. know by 13th inst.—W. Upton, Hon. Dist. Sec., 10, Elm Grove, Newport, I.W.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—The annual General meeting will be held at East Retford on Saturday, May 20th. East Retford (10), West Retford and Ordsall (6) will be available for ringing from 2 to 9 p.m. Tea will be provided at a reasonable price (less 9d. per head for members) for those who notify D. A. Piercy, 60, Wharton Street, New Town, Retford, by May 17th. Short service, East Retford, 4.20 to 4.55 p.m. Members of kindred associations will be given a hearty welcome.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Apsley on Saturday, May 20th. Bells available at 3 p.m. A short service will be held in Church. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—F. J. Reeve, Hon. Dist. Sec., Tring.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Wisbech Branch.—A District meeting will be held at March on Saturday, May 20. Bells (6) ready from 3 o'clock. Tea provided for all who let me know by May 17th.—H. W. Giddings, 46, St. Peter's Road, March.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ledbury District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Ledbury on May 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Service in Church at 5.30



p.m. Tea and business meeting after service at the Central Café.—Richard Thomas, Dist. Hon. Sec., Post Office, Coddington, Ledbury.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next meeting of the Bristol Branch of the above Association will be held at Olveston on Saturday, May 20th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30, tea 5. Please notify by May 15th.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—A Monthly meeting for May will be held at Monks Kirby on Saturday, the 20th inst. Bells (8) ready at 3 o'clock. I can arrange tea for those who send word of their intention to be present not later than Wednesday 17th. All ringers welcome.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—A Monthly ringing meeting for practice will be held at Bromsgrove on Saturday, May 20th. Bells available at 4 o'clock.—A. Davies, Branch Sec., 29, Hampton Street, Netherton, Dudley.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The next Quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Sedgley, All Saints' Church, on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Guild service in church, conducted by the Vicar (Rev. T. G. Swindell, D.D.), at 5 o'clock. Tea in schoolroom at 5.45, 9d. per head. Business meeting afterwards. Will those who intend to be present kindly notify me by first post Tuesday 23rd?—Fred Colclough, Hon. Sec., 1, Earl Street, Bilston.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Stretford on Saturday, May 27th, instead of the 20th, as it is a more convenient date for the church authorities. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 p.m.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver St., Miles Platting.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Sherburn-in-Elmet on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (8) available from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. Further particulars next week.—A. B. Cook, Hon. Dist. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at Chiddingstone on Saturday, May 27th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea at the Castle Inn at 5.45, 1/6 per head, followed by business meeting. Members requiring tea must notify the Dist. Sec. not later than Tuesday, 23rd inst.—W. Latter, Hon. Dist. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—Alteration of Date.—The meeting at St. Mary's, Ealing, will be held on Saturday May 27th (instead of the 13th), by permission of the Vicar, Rev. C. J. Sharp, who will entertain the members to tea after service. Visitors will be charged 1/- for tea. Tower open at 3 p.m. and a hearty welcome to all.—W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Will secretaries and others kindly note that the address of James George is now 22, Mayfield Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

Set of 10 Handbells (tenor 18 in G) for sale. Fair condition.—Write Box 3, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

#### PUBLICATION.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Young Man seeks job as Outside Garden Labourer. Change ringer on 6 or 8 bells. Would like to get with good band.—Box 2, 'Ringing World,' Office, Woking.

## ALFRED BOWELL, CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**  
LIMITED,  
**COVENTRY.**  
MAKERS SINCE 1730.

#### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

#### CHEAP PRINTING.

PEAL CARDS, 3/6 doz. Report Books, Stationery, Balance Sheets, and all classes of General and Commercial Printing at lowest prices. Send stamped envelope for new price list of printing, and support your fellow ringers.

GOOD BROS.

31, PRESTONVILLE ROAD, BRIGHTON.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 160 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION...	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY	...	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods)	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½in.	2¾in.	3½in.	3¾in.	4in.	4½in.	5in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specialty Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 35/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 583. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, MAY 19th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 8d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### THE POSITION IN SUFFOLK.

What is to be the outcome of the present position in Suffolk? With attempts made on both sides to claim territory previously recognised as within the borders of another organisation, there is, not unnaturally, some friction between the rival parties, and neither is inclined to give way to the other. The state of affairs is unusual. As most of our readers know, the eastern portion of Suffolk was formerly part of the Diocese of Norwich, and the western portion was within the Diocese of Ely. The formation of the Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich and the consequent rearrangement of the ecclesiastical boundaries, led the ringing societies to talk of reorganisation. West Suffolk ringers had a desire for a county (or diocesan) association of their own, and the Ely Association, taking the view that the Suffolk men were fully entitled to set up such a Society, withdrew from the area.

On the other hand, the Norwich Diocesan Association took an opposite view of their responsibilities, and, as soon as the Diocese in which they had operated was divided, put out a feeler which indicated a desire to unite the whole of the area covered by the new diocese with their own. Then came the war, and the proposal was temporarily shelved. After the Armistice the Norwich Association seemed at first inclined to content itself with its old territory, and accordingly adopted the title of Norwich and Ipswich Diocesan Association. Since then, however, it has added St. Edmundsbury to its title and resolved to include West Suffolk in its sphere. Meanwhile the West Suffolk ringers formed a Suffolk Association, which they afterwards decided to make a diocesan one, to embrace not only the west, but the east of Suffolk. It was, perhaps, to be expected that the older society should look upon the efforts of the new association in the east of the county as an intrusion upon their 'preserves'; and equally the West Suffolk men regard the extension of the Norwich and Ipswich Association into the St. Edmundsbury area as a trespass that ought not to be committed. That is the present position of affairs, and the cause of the somewhat strained relations existing in that part of East Anglia.

The discussion has now reached a stage when it can only be settled by the ringers themselves. Neither side in the controversy seems likely to give way, and it looks as if each will have to make up its mind to carry on in the face of the competition of the other. Individual ringers will have their own leanings, and will bestow their allegiance according to their own views. Is it not possible that the two associations may remain amicably in occupation of the territory, jointly? There are several instances of territorial and diocesan organisations overlapping, and we have

(Continued on page 306.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

only to look at the recent example of the Yorkshire and Cleveland Associations to observe how this may be done in a friendly spirit. The Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association at one time held more or less undisputed sway in the north of the county. Then the Yorkshire Association formed their northern division and began more active operations in the Cleveland area, and finally made overtures for the absorption of the Cleveland Association. This proposal was rejected by the latter, and, only a few months ago, a resolution was passed at a meeting of the northern district of the Yorkshire Association to drop the amalgamation scheme and continue as friendly rivals in the promotion of the art of change ringing. That is the spirit which, we believe, will presently manifest itself in Suffolk.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Four Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR, SOUTHWARK.

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES;**

Tenor 50 cwt.

HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. Treble	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 8
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. NODDS ... .. 9
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 4	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 10
WILLIAM H. HEWITT ... .. 5	*REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 11
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 6	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.  
\* 400th peal.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

EPSOM, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt. in E.

SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. Treble	ERNEST WEATHERBY ... .. 6
CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 2	EDWARD RADDON ... .. 7
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3	WILLIAM W. THORNE ... .. 8
HENRY HUTTON ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. 9
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 5	WILLIAM LYNCH ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON, STEPNEY, E..

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 31 cwt.

ALAN R. MACDONALD ... .. Treble	MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... .. 6
RICHARD HAYES ... .. 2	JAMES SCHOLES ... .. 7
WILLIAM HIBBERT ... .. 3	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD 8
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 4	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 9
HORACE BELCHER ... .. 5	ALBERT A. HUGHES ... .. Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN.  
Mr. Hayes is from Haslemere.

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor 38½ cwt.

*HENRY ELLIS ... .. Treble	†CHARLES V. HARE ... .. 6
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	GEORGE H. BARKER ... .. 7
*ERNEST W. ADAMS ... .. 3	†BARNARD PATMORE ... .. 8
†ALFRED PRIOR ... .. 4	WILLIAM SABAN ... .. 9
FREDERICK C. PERRIN ... .. 5	*THOMAS MILES ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\* First peal of Caters. † First peal of Grandsire Caters. First peal of Grandsire Caters on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Alfred Prior.

## BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. STEPHEN'S GUILD.)

On Tuesday, May 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN-THE-MARTYR,

## A PEAL OF OLIFTON SURPRISE ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt in E.

JESSE B. TYLER ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM H. THOMAS ... ..	6
EDWIN J. RIDLER ... ..	2	WILLIAM KNIGHT ... ..	7
EDWIN J. BROWN ... ..	3	HENRY PRING ... ..	8
ALFRED E. REEVES ... ..	4	JOHN A. BURFORD ... ..	9
RICHARD CLARK ... ..	5	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by JOHN A. BURFORD.

First peal rung in the method which is an extension of Bristol Surprise Major by the Rev. E. Banks James. It is desired to associate the names of two former members of the band with this peal, G. Condict, Junr. (London), and P. W. Cave, B.Sc. (Southampton), who took part in earlier attempts.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BARTON-ON-HUMBER, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. in F sharp.

THOMAS S. MORTON ... ..	Treble	GEORGE DOWLING ... ..	5
ARTHUR W. HOODLESS ... ..	2	HARRY RODMELL ... ..	6
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... ..	3	ARTHUR E. WEST ... ..	7
ARTHUR M. C. FIELD ... ..	4	JOHN H. HOWELL ... ..	Tenor

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL. Conducted by G. F. WILLIAMS.

\* First peal in the method.

## LONDON.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Monday, May 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WILTON ROAD, S.W.,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;

JOHNSON'S VARIATION.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

ALFRED H. WINCH ... ..	Treble	HAROLD P. BURTON ... ..	5
JOHN SPARROW ... ..	2	GEORGE A. CARD ... ..	6
THOMAS NEWMAN ... ..	3	FRANK SMITH ... ..	7
JOHN W. CORNFORD ... ..	4	JOHN D. MATTHEWS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN D. MATTHEWS.

\* First Surprise peal.

## TONBRIDGE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

HARRY HARRINGTON ... ..	Treble	GEORGE EDWARDS ... ..	5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... ..	2	HERBERT MARKWELL ... ..	6
WILLIAM J. WOLFE ... ..	3	WILLIAM LATTER ... ..	7
WILLIAM STEED ... ..	4	JAMES DRAPER ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the memory of the late George H. Stonestreet, a much respected member of the local band.

## MOORSIDE, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROCHDALE BRANCH AND OLDHAM ASSOCIATION.)

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5312 CHANGES;

ASA WILD ... ..	Treble	SAMUEL HOLT ... ..	5
FRANK LAWTON ... ..	2	HERBERT BARLOW ... ..	6
ISAAC SCHOFIELD ... ..	3	BEN THORPE ... ..	7
SAMUEL BUTTERWORTH ... ..	4	CHARLES PLATT ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES PLATT.

Taken from W. Harrison's 10176.

## KINGSDOWN, BRISTOL.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVE'S TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

F. G. LEAKER ... ..	Treble	G. VICKERY ... ..	5
S. BADMAN ... ..	2	J. T. DYKE ... ..	6
S. ABRAHAM ... ..	3	W. FARLEY ... ..	7
R. H. LEAKER ... ..	4	T. GRIFFEN ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

## WEST HARTLEPOOL.

## THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AIDAN,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM BROADLEY ... ..	Treble	THOMAS METCALFE ... ..	5
JOHN LOWREY ... ..	2	ALBERT HUNTER ... ..	6
WILLIAM A. BRECKON ... ..	3	WILLIAM ELLERINGTON ... ..	7
JOHN D. BALMFORTH ... ..	4	REV. ALBERT SIMPSON ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. BARKER. Conducted by REV. ALBERT SIMPSON.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method on the bells.

## ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

JAMES GEORGE ... ..	Treble	ALFRED DAVIES ... ..	5
CHARLES DICKENS ... ..	2	SAMUEL GROVE ... ..	6
WILLIAM SHORT ... ..	3	THOMAS H. REEVES ... ..	7
JOHN BASS ... ..	4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal in the method. Rung on the anniversary of H.M. the King's Accession.

## BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5080 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE WOODMAN ... ..	Treble	JAMES BURDFIELD ... ..	5
ALBERT FEIST ... ..	2	WALTER CHARMAN ... ..	6
RAYMOND WOOD ... ..	3	JOHN COOK ... ..	7
PETER CHARMAN ... ..	4	WILLIAM STANFORD ... ..	Tenor

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL. Conducted by W. STANFORD.

First peal of Major on the bells since they were rehung by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank.

## PENDLETON, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN. ... ..	Treble	THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... ..	5
WILLIAM E. CLARKE ... ..	2	ALLAN F. BAILEY ... ..	6
JOSEPH LOWE ... ..	3	HARRY CHAPMAN ... ..	7
JOSEPH WINTERBOTTOM ... ..	4	HERBERT GREENHALGH ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

Rung in honour of the coming of age of Mr. Roy Cyril Rimington.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.



## LONDON.

On Wednesday, May 10, 1922, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

F. DIGBY ... .. Treble	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 5
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 2	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 6
THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 3	ROBERT GRIMWOOD ... .. 7
WILLIAM HEWETT ... .. 4	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

A 'friendly' peal.

## BROMLEY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 19½ cwt.

EDMUND MOUNTER ... .. Treble	GEORGE HUXLEY ... .. 5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 6
GEORGE DURLING ... .. 3	PERCY J. SPICE ... .. 7
ALFRED JAMES ... .. 4	FREDERICK GROOMBRIDGE ... Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

## SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 10, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

ROBERT J. DAVE ... .. Treble	GEORGE W. STOKES ... .. 5
WILLIAM PELLING ... .. 2	ERNEST GOWER ... .. 6
*ALWYN CHARMAN ... .. 3	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 7
WILLIAM WATTS ... .. 4	ALFRED J. TURNER ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY DAINS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal in the method.

## ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Thomas and Edmund,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES,

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

*PHILIP F. PLUMLEY ... .. Treble	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 5
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... 2	WILLIAM G. ANKER ... .. 6
JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 3	BERNARD W. WITCHELL ... 7
CHARLES WATTHMAN ... 4	HERBERT C. SPENCER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

Rung with the bells half-muffled on the 43rd anniversary of the death of the founder of the church, the Rev. Daniel Henry Haigh.

\* First peal.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, May 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicolas,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt. in E.

EDWARD ETHERIDGE ... .. Treble	*GEORGE TOMSETT ... .. 5
HARRY HUTTON ... .. 2	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 6
GEORGE W. STERE ... .. 3	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 7
ERNEST WEATHERBY ... .. 4	GEORGE PETER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

\* First peal of Stedman.

## EGHAM, SURREY.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM E. GARRARD ... .. Treble	ROBERT HOLLOWAY ... .. 5
JAMES R. MACKMAN ... .. 2	WILLIAM E. JUDD ... .. 6
FRANK V. SIMKINS ... .. 3	HENRY R. NEWTON ... .. 7
CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... .. 4	J. WILLIAM FRUIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM E. GARRARD.

## NORTHAMPTON.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

At the Church of St. Edmund,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

BERTIE O. SODEN ... .. Treble	JOHN METHERELL ... .. 5
WILLIAM FAREY ... .. 2	SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. 3	*FRED WILFORD ... .. 7
JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. 4	FRED HOPPER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. WILFORD.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples as conductor. Rung as farewell peal to the Rev. J. Evan Hopkins, Rector of Gretton, who was Vicar of the above parish for 22 years.

## CHISWICK.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, May 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Parish Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb.

ALFRED BROOKLAND ... .. Treble	ARTHUR HARDING ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER ... 2	LIONEL H. PAGE ... .. 6
*FREDERICK GOODFELLOW... 3	JAMES R. MACKMAN ... .. 7
WILLIAM E. JUDD ... .. 4	†WILLIAM DALTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. E. JUDD.

\* First peal Triples. † First peal. Arranged and rung as a compliment to Mr. A. Thurley, one of the local ringers on his appointment as Vicar's Warden.

## RAINHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 22 cwt.

THOMAS MANNERING... .. Treble	WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 5
LEONARD MANNERING ... 2	CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. 6
*THOMAS BEADMONT ... .. 3	FRANK BELSEY ... .. 7
JOHN BURLES ... .. 4	CHARLES BELSEY... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS MANNERING.

\* First peal of Stedman. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Burles and F. Belsey. Quickest peal on the bells.

## DERBY.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Alkmund,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

ALLEN R. HICKTON ... .. Treble	ALBERT H. WARD ... .. 5
JOSEPH BAILEY ... .. 2	W. RICHARD DRAGE ... .. 6
JOHN H. SWINFELD ... .. 3	ARTHUR BRAINES... .. 7
*GEORGE FREEBREY ... .. 4	JAMES PAGETT ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES PAGETT. Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

\* First peal in the method.

## THUROASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(St. Margaret's Guild, Leicester.)

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Latimer Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

*G. STEDMAN MORRIS ... .. Treble	ALFRED BALLARD ... .. 5
ERNEST MORRIS... .. 2	ARTHUR J. BALLARD... .. 6
†WALTER WHITEHEAD ... 3	†CHARLES CATTELL ... .. 7
†EDWARD WHITEHEAD ... 4	ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES PIGOTT. Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First tower bell peal. † First of Grandsire. † First of Triples 'inside.' Each 'pair' are brothers and it is believed to be the first peal so rung. Great credit is due to treble and third ringers who are only 14; they were born on the same day (Dec. 20th).

## SOUTHAMPTON.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.

WILLIAM T. TUCKER... ..Treble	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 5
*REGINALD BROWN ... .. 2	PERCY W. CAVE ... .. 6
*JOHN W. FAITHFULL... .. 3	EDWIN J. HARDING ... .. 7
EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN... 4	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... ..Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.  
\* First peal of Cambridge. Also first Surprise peal rung in the borough of Southampton.

HINCKLEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 19½ cwt.

CHARLES E. PAYNE ... ..Treble	SAM WHITE... .. 5
BERT RIDGWAY ... .. 2	*GUY D. HAMSON ... .. 6
FREDERICK E. WILSON ... 3	FRED COTTON ... .. 7
TOM ATKINS... .. 4	ARTHUR D. ALDEAM... ..Tenor

Conducted by F. COTTON.

\* First peal. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Vicar of Wolvey (the Rev. T. D. Williams, M.A.), an Honorary Member of M.C.A., who died on May 5th.

## CHESTER-LE-STREET, DURHAM.

## THE DURHAM &amp; NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. MARY AND CUTHBERT,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 21 cwt.

*MISS ADA DONNISON... ..Treble	W. H. BARBER ... .. 5
A. COATES ... .. 2	A. HUNTER ... .. 6
R. THOMPSON ... .. 3	F. SHERATON ... .. 7
*J. SELKIRK ... .. 4	R. B. ROBINSON ... ..Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by W. H. BARBER.

\* First peal. This is also the first peal rung by a lady member of the Association. The ringers of 2 and 6 hail from Darlington, 3 and 5 from Newcastle, 8 from Shildon, and 1, 4 and 7 from Chester-le-Street.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## EPPING, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 14 cwt.

*WILLIAM WEDLOCK ... ..Treble	JAS. MANSFIELD... .. 4
*ARTHUR MANSFIELD ... .. 2	BENJAMIN G. BURTON ... 5
*ALFRED MANSFIELD ... .. 3	*JOHN SHAMBROOK ... ..Tenor

Conducted by BENJAMIN G. BURTON.

\* First peal. † First peal inside. First peal as conductor. Messrs. J. Mansfield and Burton hail from Nazeing, the rest belong to the local band and are Sunday Service ringers.

## MIDGHAM, BERKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NEWBURY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 6th, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Matthew,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

42 six-scores with ten different callings Tenor 3½ cwt.

*FREDERICK G. COMBES ...Treble	ALBERT W. J. BIRD ... .. 4
*CLIFFORD W. HIGNELL ... 2	EDWARD R. ROBEY ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. ADKINS... .. 3	ALBERT SMITH ... ..Tenor

Conducted by E. R. ROBEY.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells. Rung on the anniversary of the King's Accession. The band tender their thanks to Mr. Combes and Mr. Millson for providing tea after the peal.

## KINGSTON-ON-SOAR, NOTTS.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Wilfrid,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 10 cwt.

ALBERT JOYCE ... ..Treble	JOHN W. BOOTH ... .. 3
FRED PRIESTLEY ... .. 2	EDWARD JOYCE ... .. 4
FREDERICK J. TITE ... ..Tenor	

Conducted by F. J. TITE.

First peal on the bells.

## ROTHERSTHORPE.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

*B. BADEN ... ..Treble	W. R. PARKER ... .. 3
*J. DOVE ... .. 2	J. C. DEAN ... .. 4
W. H. AUSTIN ... ..Tenor	

Conducted by W. H. AUSTIN.

\* First peal. First peal in the method by all. First peal as conductor. B. Baden was elected a member of the association previous to starting for the peal. Rung in honour of the anniversary of the King's Accession.

## MARKET DEEPING, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At the Church of St. Guthlac,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's in ten methods, viz., Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Double and Single Oxford (spliced), Double and Single Court (spliced), Double and Single Bob (spliced). Tenor 16 cwt.

JOSEPH LONDON ... ..Treble	*HERBERT HOLMES ... .. 4
KATHLEEN JUTSON ... .. 2	JOHN J. JUTSON ... .. 5
ARTHUR RIGGALL... .. 3	HORACE M. DAY ... ..Tenor

Conducted by H. M. DAY.

First peal in ten methods by all except Mr. and Miss Jutson.  
\* First peal.

## KILNDOWN, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At Christ Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of College Single, and two 720's each of Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

ALBERT RELFE ... ..Treble	FREDERICK FOREMAN ... 4
ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. 2	*FRANK PATTENDEN ... 5
GEORGE WAGHORN ... .. 3	JAMES WAGHORN ... ..Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT RELFE.

\* Re-elected a member in the belfry.

## LONGHOPE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, May 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's. Tenor 10½ cwt.

EX-SGT. J. WILLIAMS... ..Treble	ALFRED T. POULTON ... .. 4
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. 2	JOHN CLARK ... .. 5
JOHN GWYNNE ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON... ..Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

## ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE LADIES' GUILD (NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BRANCH) AND  
THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 9½ cwt.

MISS ANNIE PARKINS ... Treble	MISS ADA DEACON ... 4
*MISS KITTY MOORE ... 2	MISS PHYLLIS HARE ... 5
MISS DOROTHY ATKINS ... 3	MISS CECIL HEPBURN ... Tenor

Conducted by Miss CECIL HEPBURN.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor. The ringers of the treble and 5th hail from Peterborough, the 2nd and 4th from Weekley and Desborough respectively, and the remainder are members of the Isham Company. This is the first peal to be rung by ladies only in which a tenor has been 'turned in.'

## HANDBELL PEALS.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT 81, BAKER STREET, SPARKHILL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... 1-2	JAMES E. GROVES ... 7-8
ALBERT WALKER ... 3-4	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... 9-10
PERCY O. LAFLIN ... 5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... 11-12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

Referee: MR. F. W. WALKER.

Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

ALDEBURGH-ON-SEA, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF SS. PETER AND PAUL'S CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's.

Tenor size 20 in E.

*ROY PILGRIM ... 1-2	†ALBERT J. LINCOLN ... 3-4
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... 5-6	

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

Witnesses: L. W. BALE & J. PILGRIM.

\* First peal. † First peal on handbells. Roy Pilgrim was proposed a member of the above Association before starting the peal, which was rung as a compliment to him on his 15th birthday, also as a birthday compliment to L. W. Bale.

## WINCHESTER GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Winchester District was held at Cheriton and Titchborne on Saturday, May 6th, both peals of six being available during the afternoon and evening. The methods rung were Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Minor. The Rector of Cheriton-with-Titchborne presided at the tea and subsequent meeting, at which the Rector (the Rev. H. Brownlow) was elected an hon. member.

Mr. Andrews proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, and for coming to tea with them, and this was carried by acclamation.

Members were present from Bishopstoke, North Stoneham, Southampton, Upham, Owslebury, Winchester, Alresford, Wickham and Portsea.

The next meeting of the district will be held at Fawley and Diden on August 28th. A combined practice will be held at Bishopstoke, Eastleigh, on Saturday, June 10th.

## DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The April meeting of this Society was held at Selby Abbey. A pleasant afternoon and evening were spent by the visitors in looking round the Abbey and ringing the beautiful peal of ten bells. Some ascended to the top of the tower to see if St. George's Church, Doncaster, was visible, but owing to a slight haze it was not within view. In the opposite direction, however, the atmosphere was clear, and York Minster could be plainly seen.

The bells were made good use of and many ringers obtained their first touch on ten. The methods rung included Stedman and Grandsire Caters and Treble Ten.

Tea was partaken of at the Co-operative Cafe, and was an enjoyable affair. The business meeting was held in the belfry, and the usual votes of thanks were carried.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

WAR MEMORIAL ABANDONED.

The annual meeting of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild was held at Lyme Regis on Saturday, April 29th. Proceedings began with the business meeting, at which the Master (Major C. C. Hughes D'Aeth) presided, in the absence of Lord Shaftesbury on Government business. All the officers were re-elected. The accounts showed a reduced balance in hand of £30 0s. 2½d.

As the Cathedral chapter had refused to permit the erection of a cross in the close, it was decided, with regret, to abandon the memorial scheme.

The Master commented on the moribund performance of several young bands in ringing peals of Grandsire Doubles, and made sympathetic reference to the loss sustained by the Guild in the death of Messrs. W. W. Gifford and C. W. Goodenough.

The festival service was held in the grand old Church of St. Michael, overlooking the sea. The organist and surpliced choir attended. The Guild office was intoned by the hon. secretary (the Rev. F. L. Edwards), the Master (Major Hughes D'Aeth) reading the lesson. The Vicar (the Rev. W. N. Willson) preached a magnificent sermon on the message of the bells and the vocation of ringers. Dwelling in eloquent language on his own experience of bell music, he recalled the profound impression made on his feelings in early years by the bells of Leatherhead Church on Sunday evenings in summer, and by those of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on a Saturday afternoon.

A collection was taken for the Gifford Memorial Fund. The lovely old-world seaside town was looking its best, in glorious sunshine, and a very enjoyable time was spent.

## DORCHESTER BRANCH AT WOOL.

The quarterly meeting of the Dorchester Branch was held at Wool, on Saturday, May 6th, and proved very successful. Representatives attended from Bere Regis, St. Peter's, Bournemouth; Bridgwater, Fordington, Lytchett Minster, Kensington (London), Poole, Ringwood, West Lulworth and Wyke Regis, and the whole of the local band were also present. The bells were available from 2 p.m., and some excellent touches of Kent Treble Bob and Bob Minor and Stedman and Grandsire Doubles were brought round; in fact, the ringing was some of the best that has been accomplished at the branch meetings, and the Minor methods predominated.

The Vicar (the Rev. J. G. L. Anderson) who met the ringers, and gave them a hearty welcome, conducted the Guild service. There was a good attendance, and the full surpliced choir was present. The Vicar gave an excellent address, his text being taken from 1 Cor. xiv. 12, 'Seek to excel to the edifying of the Church.'

Service was followed by a bountiful tea, to which 30 sat down, waited upon by Mrs. Anderson and several local ladies.

A short business meeting followed, and in the absence of the chairman (Mr. R. N. Dawes), the Vicar was voted to the chair. — One ringing member was elected, and a letter was read from the Rev. H. A. Caryl, inviting the branch to Hilton in July next. This invitation was accepted with cordial thanks.

The Hon. Secretary reported that he had received a letter from the Sherborne Abbey, saying as soon as they had made a little more progress with change ringing the band would join the Guild, and wished to belong to the Dorchester Branch.

Mr. Coles proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for his interest in the Guild by taking the service, for his excellent address, and for the use of the bells; also to the organist and choir, to the ladies for waiting at the tea tables, and to the local Church Council for providing tea.—This was seconded by Mr. Witham, supported by the Hon. Secretary, and carried with acclamation.—The Vicar, in responding, said it gave him the greatest pleasure to assist in the good work of the Guild. He hoped they would come to Wool again in the near future.

Some members spoke on the subject of two additional bells to make an excellent octave in the Parish Church.

This concluded the business, and the ringers repaired to the tower, where ringing was again indulged in, and great assistance was given beginners in change ringing.—Other members went on to Bere Regis, where the bells were available.

## THE LADIES' GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Southern District was held at Chertsey, on Saturday, May 13th, when ringers from Aldershot, Bagshot, Cranleigh, Camberley, Chertsey, Clapham, Ealing, Staines, Walton and Worplesdon were present.—The Rev. J. Smith (Vicar of Chertsey) conducted the service, and gave an interesting address bearing on the history of the church.

Tea was served in the Church Room, and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

At the business meeting it was decided to hold the next meeting at Horsell. The meeting closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman (the Rev. J. Smith) for his kindness and welcome, proposed by Mrs. Hairs.

The ringers then returned to the belfry for a short period.

**CLIFTON SURPRISE ROYAL.**

By E. BANKES JAMES.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0  
 2 1 4 3 8 5 8 7 0 9  
 1 2 3 4 6 5 7 8 9 0  
 2 1 4 3 5 6 8 7 0 9  
 2 4 1 3 6 5 7 8 9 0  
 4 2 3 1 5 6 8 7 0 9  
 2 4 1 3 6 5 8 0 7 9  
 4 2 3 1 5 6 0 8 9 7  
 2 4 3 5 1 8 8 0 7 9  
 2 3 4 5 6 7 1 8 0 9  
 3 2 5 4 1 6 7 8 9 0  
 3 5 2 4 6 1 7 9 8 0  
 5 3 4 2 6 7 1 9 0 8  
 3 5 2 4 7 6 9 1 8 0  
 3 2 5 4 6 7 1 9 0 8  
 2 3 4 5 7 6 9 1 8 0  
 3 2 5 4 6 7 9 8 1 0  
 2 3 4 5 7 6 8 0 9 1  
 2 4 3 6 5 7 8 0 9 1  
 4 2 8 3 8 5 0 7 1 9  
 2 4 3 8 8 5 7 0 9 1  
 4 2 6 3 5 8 0 7 1 9  
 2 4 3 6 8 5 0 1 7 9  
 4 2 6 3 5 8 1 0 9 7  
 4 6 2 3 8 5 0 1 7 9  
 6 4 3 2 5 8 1 0 9 7  
 4 6 2 3 5 1 8 0 7 9  
 4 2 6 3 1 5 8 7 0 9  
 2 4 3 6 5 1 7 8 9 0  
 2 3 4 8 1 5 7 9 8 0  
 3 2 4 1 6 5 9 7 0 8  
 2 3 1 4 5 6 7 9 8 0  
 3 2 4 1 6 5 7 8 9 0  
 2 3 1 4 5 8 8 7 0 9  
 2 1 3 4 6 5 7 8 9 0  
 1 2 4 3 5 6 8 7 0 9  
 2 1 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0  
 1 2 4 3 6 5 8 7 0 9

1 4 2 6 3 8 5 0 7 9

This method is constructed on lines, which I think I may venture to call a practical extension; and it is meant for a practical extension of Bristol Surprise Major.

When I call it a 'practical' extension, I mean that the man who can ring Bristol Major, will be able to learn and ring this method after a few minutes' perusal.

Following the work of the 2nd through the first lead, we find that there are two double dodges introduced, one before and the other after the whole pull at lead when the treble lies behind; the rest is Bristol work.

In the second lead, again, two double dodges are introduced, one in 1-2 and the other in 3-4, immediately after leading the whole turn.

In the 3rd lead 6th's and a double dodge in 5-6 down is introduced, then comes the Bristol run across with four double dodges, and a dodge with the treble in 5-6 woven into it.

As Clifton is a double method, what I have said will be quite sufficient to indicate all the changes in the work introduced.

The first peal in the method was rung at St. Stephen's, Bristol, on May 9th, after the band had been depleted by the departure of two of the company, Messrs. P. W. Cave, now of Southampton and G. Condict, junr., who has recently taken up a responsible appointment in London. However, the losses did not put the peal out of the question, and the band who were successful desire that the names of these two ringers should be associated with the performance.

**CHANGE RINGING IN AMERICA.**

To the Editor.

Sir,—It may be of interest to your readers to learn that the recent appeal of Mr. Matthews, expressing the desire to augment our local Guild, depleted by war and removals, has already met with gratifying responses.

That the situation as to change ringing in this country may be clearly apprehended, it must be confessed that our art has upon the whole failed to appeal to the general public, whose predilection is rather toward the execution of lugubrious hymns upon our inharmonious chimes. Thus it happens that nowhere, except in Boston, Groton School and Vancouver, has the Exercise attained a firm standing. Indeed, recent events seem rather to presage the introduction of carillons, two of which, products of English foundries, have been installed the present month. The carillon sent to Toronto, by the way, embodies a novel electric attachment, operating automatically by means of perforated cards as in the pianola. Daily recitals, given by the English carillonneur, Mr. Harry Withers, are reported to have attracted admiring crowds. The other carillon cast for Gloucester, Mass., has just been admitted by Act of Congress free of duty.

But in justice to our irrepressible ringers, it should be stated that steady progress has been made in the elucidation of the art, both by their sustained work in the various towers, and by lectures illustrated upon handbells. To converts thus made we are indebted for the chloroforming of the few disposed to protest at the noise of swinging bells.

Having thus passed the period of probation and acquired a reputation for meritorious service, it is believed that our worst trials are now over, and that we can look in future to more plain sailing, for no less than five rings of excellent bells are available for meetings, while the contract is about to be made for the sixth peal.

It is to be regretted that by an absurd Act of Congress we are inhibited from assuring to newcomers immediate employment; nor can a solatium for services rendered be expected from our indifferent church functionaries. Contributions are nevertheless made from time to time adequate to meet all running expenses. Recuperation from the effects of the war has been rapid, and the improvement in economic conditions is demonstrated by the launching of extensive business enterprises in all our cities.

To our English confreres, therefore, who may be moved to seek changed fortune under new skies, we would suggest that no locality presents more alluring attractions than those of Boston where they can count upon a cordial greeting from the members of our Guild.

April 23rd 1922.

A. H. NICHOLS, M.D.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE**  
**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,  
32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**  
in Sets of any number.

**BELL ROPES. MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

We regret that owing to pressure on our space we are compelled to hold over several reports and peals.

The death has occurred, at Kettering, of Mr. Cecil Chapman, at the age of 20 years, and the Tonbridge band have lost by death, Mr. George H. Stonestreet, who has been a ringer for upwards of 30 years.

Funds are being raised for the recasting of the peal of six at Combe Martin, North Devon, and increasing the bells to eight. The work is to be carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

Harrison's 10,176 Kent Treble Bob Major is to be attempted to-morrow (Saturday) at St. Thomas's Church, Moorside, Oldham, starting at 8.30 a.m.

Some interesting statistics appear at the end of the peal records for 1921 in the Norwich and Ipswich Association report. It is stated that 230 members took part in the 190 peals, which made up a grand total of 963,987 changes, and the ringing occupied 561 hours 11 minutes. The tower peals were rung in 56 towers, and the handbell peals in five places. Thirty-eight members conducted peals during the year.

From its formation in 1877 to the end of 1921, the association rang no fewer than 3,614 peals.

The strength of the Association is a matter of interest in the present Suffolk controversy. The figures printed in the report show that there are six resident and 213 non-resident life members, and the following annual subscribers: In Norfolk Branch, 32 hon. members, 328 performing members and 13 probationers; in Suffolk Branch, 18 hon. members, 394 performing members and 18 probationers, a grand total of 1,022.

It is distressing to read in the Branch Secretary's report of the Salisbury Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild that 'The bells at Tisbury have been very unsafe for several years, and cannot now be rung at all; the ringers are, therefore, very unwillingly compelled to resign membership of the Guild.' It is not stated whether the Guild have taken any action to endeavour to get this state of affairs remedied.

On May 20th, 1780, a peal of 5,220 'Tittom Bob Royal' was rung at St. Michael's, Coventry, in 3 hrs. 41 mins. by St. Martin's Youths, and on the same day, in 1795, the Royal Cumberland Youths rang a peal of Cumberland Treble Bob at Edmonton.

The then longest peal of Stedman Caters, 13,054 changes, was rung in 8 hours 16 minutes, at Cheltenham on May 21st, 1888, and on May 22nd, 1899, the 17,024 Double Norwich Major (at that time the longest single-handed peal on record) was rung at Kidlington in 11 hours 12 minutes.

On May 24th, 1768, the Sherwood Youths of Nottingham rang Holt's 'true whole peal of Grandsire Tripples,' at All Saints', Gainsborough, and a tablet in the belfry records the fact.

The first true peal of Treble Ten in Ireland was rung at St. Patrick's Cathedral on May 24th, 1901, a previous peal of Kent Royal on the same bells having been found to be false.

While a peal was being rung at Chester-le-Street on Saturday, two steeplejacks were hard at work on the spire. It is said they were in a good position to hear the bells.

The Ashford District meeting of the Kent Association, which was to have been held at New Romney to-morrow is transferred to Smarden. The tenor at New Romney has got out of order and, therefore, Smarden tower, where a new peal of six has just been opened has been secured at short notice by the hon. secretary, Mr. C. Tribe.

The peal rung at Isham, on Saturday, is the fourth to be rung by a band of ladies, and the first in which a lady has turned the tenor in. The other peals were the one at Cubitt Town, and the two which have been rung at Portishead.

Will Mr. C. J. Sedgley, of Ipswich, please send his address to Mr. W. Pye, 8, Sanson Road, Lansdown Road, Leytonstone?

## THE HELPING HAND.

To the Editor.

Sir,—The following sums have been received by Mr. A. Pye, 126, Pembroke Road, Seven Kings, on behalf of the widow of the late Mr. H. Flanders, for which we beg to thank the givers: St. Margaret's, Barking, Society (per Mr. G. Faulkner), 15s.; Mr. A. Chaplin, 2s. 6d.; Mr. A. Stroud, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. A. Pye, 6s.; Mr. J. Hunt 2s.; Mr. C. S. Burden, 2s. 6d. As we are anxious to close this fund, will those who wish to help kindly do so as early as possible? Donations should be sent to Mr. Pye or to myself.—Yours truly,

49, Wood Street, E.17.

C. T. COLES.

## THE LATE MR. M. ELLSMORE.

We have received the sum of 3s. from Mr. W. H. Fussell (Slough) towards the fund opened on behalf of the widow of the late Mr. Matthew Ellsmore. Mr. Fussell himself an old Cumberland, reminds members of that society that Mr. Ellsmore was an old and valued member, and the last words of his cheery message, when he sailed to Australia were, 'Farewell to England. God save the King.' Contributions to the fund should be sent to the Editor of 'The Ringing World.'

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.****MR. W. H. FUSSELL RETIRES FROM DISTRICT SECRETARYSHIP.**

The annual meeting of the Berks and Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at Wooburn, Bucks, on Easter Monday in the Schools adjoining the Parish Church, the comfort of heating being appreciated on a cold day. The Rev. W. Upton Wooler was voted to the chair in the absence of the President of the Branch (the Bishop of Buckingham), owing to serious illness; and the vice-president (the Vicar of Bray), through loss of voice and a cold.—The Chairman referred to the time when he came into the district 30 years ago, when the Guild was a prosperous institution, which to-day appeared to be growing stronger and stronger with newly-formed branches. He apologised for the absence of the Vicar of Wooburn (the Rev. A. E. Baynes), who had to leave after conducting an enjoyable service in the church, but he was authorised to propose him as an honorary member of the branch (applause). In his boyhood in Yorkshire he had been much impressed by the parental admonition that 'little boys should be seen and not heard'; but the members present, as ringers, were credited with the reverse dictum—heard but not seen.—The balance sheet was unanimously approved, showing a sum of £19 carried forward—the best on record. At this stage, the Chairman had to leave, and the Master of the Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) was asked to fill the gap.—The Hon. Secretary gave a detailed report of the work of the branch for 1921, and referred to several matters of importance to the committee and the branch generally, so that they might realise the need of more personal attention to the management of the large district covered by them, which had 34 towers affiliated. In a few farewell remarks as their secretary, he thanked them all for their encouragement and co-operation during the nearly seven years he had tried to carry out their wishes, and pointed out that a good deal remained to be done in Mid Bucks, so as to form a strong link of connection between the north and south of the county.

The election of officers resulted in the president and vice-president being re-elected. The committee for 1922 was elected as follows: Messrs. Boreham, Buckland, Kirk, Martin, Smith, Truss, Welling and White.—Mr. S. J. Harman (Windsor) was appointed hon. secretary and treasurer pro tem.

**THE GUILD'S ANNUAL FESTIVAL.**

Considerable discussion followed a proposal that the Guild's annual festival be held in succession in the three Archdeaconries of the Diocese, Berks, Bucks and Oxon, instead of making the City of Oxford the place of yearly pilgrimage. The whole of the branch members present showed clearly their favourable opinion on this matter, and several members supported the resolution with forcible speeches.

A grant of £2 2s. in aid of the Bledlow bells restoration was approved, and it was agreed that Waltham, St. Lawrence, tower, be placed in union with the Sonning Deanery, while certain mid-Bucks towers were to go with the newly-formed South Oxford branch.

Reference was made to the value of the organised Surprise practices, arranged by the branch committee during the past year or two; the climax resulting in several peals in three of the higher methods (including London) being rung straight off the reel. No branch, it was urged, should consist of more than ten or twelve towers, and these ought to be 'grouped' for combined practices at fixed and regular times.

Several new members were elected, and one or two old members 'rejuvenated.'

A vote of thanks to the Master and Chairman was carried by acclamation, the company realising only too well that his sole aim was the welfare of the whole Guild.

A lengthy and discursive meeting closed at 8 p.m., the members adjourning to the tower—and elsewhere. There was a congregation of 73 ringers at the service at 4.30, at which the Guild's manual was used, by kind permission, and an address given by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn from the text, 'If ye then be risen with Christ seek ye the things that are above.'

The thanks of the branch were conveyed to Mr. J. West, local foreman, for his work in organising the reception, service and tea, thus adding another successful day to the branch's record of the past. Slough and Cookham towers were very kindly thrown open to visitors in the morning, and Berks and Middlesex men availed themselves of the opportunity on the way down, whilst Beaconsfield and Wycombe were similarly open for Bucks and Oxon ringers. The branch was fortunate in being able to furnish bands for touches of Stedman Cinques and Treble Twelve and the three Surprise Major methods, with Double Norwich, the Caversham car being ushered into Wooburn by the welcome sounds of London Major. W. H. F.

**THE LONGEST LENGTH OF LONDON SURPRISE**

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I have made my accusation, and the Rev. H. L. James has made his defence. It is now the duty of the Exercise to judge between us. Let us have it, without fear or favour.—Yours, etc.,

G. LINDOFF.

**THE LADIES' PEAL AT ISHAM.****A NORTANTS BAND'S SUCCESS.**

The germ arose from a rash promise of chocolates made in a weak moment by a certain well-known ringer, if a band of Northants ladies could be got together, and, unaided, accomplish a peal. So confident were the ladies that this offer subsequently developed into a bet of 1lb. of chocolates per head to 1lb. of 'baccy' that the peal would be rung before Christmas, 1922. After many vicissitudes, including two punctures on the way, a band was gathered together, with the aid of the aforesaid ringer's car, and a start made at 3.30 last Saturday afternoon. Just when the bells appeared to be settling down to a nice beat, after 45 minutes' ringing, the listeners were horrified to hear that some disagreement was apparently going on in the belfry, and the attempt came to an untimely end.

After giving the ladies time to recover from their disappointment, the listeners carefully tip-toed into the church, only to find that the birds had flown. Fortified, however, by tea, and spurred on by the promised reward, which had now reached 1½lb. per head, five of the ladies decided to make a fresh attempt, but the sixth—alas!—had an urgent appointment which could not be missed. This was easily overcome, however, by the gentleman with the car, who promised that the appointment should be kept outside the church. Soon after a fresh attempt for the peal was well under way, and 'the appointment' formed one of the excited party of listeners.

During the ringing of the last 720, the excitement grew so intense that the listeners, whose number had been swelled by several local ringers, were unable to sit still, and walked round the church waiting for the moment when they might dash into the belfry and congratulate or commiserate the various ringers.

As the bells came round a loud cheer went up from the crowd, and a voice said sadly, 'Bang goes twenty-four bob.' Congratulations were poured on all the band, and especially on Cecil, as to turn in a tenor—though only weighing 9½ cwt.—and conduct a peal is no mean feat for a girl of 18. Kittie, 'the flapper,' is also worthy of mention, as this was her first attempt for a peal. The listeners were astonished and pleased at the splendid striking and beat of the bells, the part ends coming up with perfect regularity throughout the peal.

**NEW METHODS.**

To the Editor.

Sir,—Mr. Barber says I should be more correct if I said I had called peals with the 6th 12 course ends at home instead of 12 courses; at any rate I have rung one composition which has the 6th at home 78 leads out of a possible 84, and these six leads are between the M and Before, which matters little from a musical point of view. If he has rung three peals of Bristol without practice, he has little to boast about when one considers the strength of the band he rang them with, and if I did introduce the phrase about too many calls, I have never started introducing two calls into a lead, and am not likely to. As regards his opinion that Premier is better than Bristol I take his opinion for what it is worth.

It would interest me very much to know where the music comes in in such methods as Forward, Erin, Dublin Complex and Double Superlative. To put the whole thing in a nutshell, he has said something which he now sees would have been better left unsaid, and has not the courage to acknowledge it.—Yours truly, W. PYE.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

A well-attended meeting of the Bolton Branch of the Lancashire Association was held at St. Mary's, Deane, on Saturday, April 29th. About 35 members were present from Bolton Parish, Holy Trinity, St. George's, and the Saviour's Churches, Walkden (St. Bartholomew's), Tyldesley and New Church, together with the local band and visitors from Crewe and Pendleton.

The bells were kept going from 4 p.m. until 8.45 p.m., with touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent, Double Norwich, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Major. The Surprise Methods were the predominant attraction of the meeting, scarcely a member asking for anything else. This shows the interest in and activity of the branch.

It was decided to hold the May meeting at Tyldesley, a special invitation having been received from the Vicar.

A ringers' outing was arranged to take place on June 17th. This will be in the form of a charabanc ride, and visits to towers in the Preston branch.

**DUBLIN RINGER'S BEREAVEMENT.**

St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, on Saturday, May 6th, in 55 mins., on the back eight, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): W. Gibson 1, T. McMorris 2, J. Cherry 3, W. Wilson 4, R. Taylor 5, George Wilmot 6, G. Lindoff (conductor) 7, W. Lynch 8. This was rung, muffled, as a last token of respect to Mrs. J. W. Townley, the wife of a respected member of the company, who passed away on Monday, May 1st.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.



## THE SUFFOLK CONTROVERSY.

MR. EVANS REPLIES.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Why do writers on the above matter labour the word Norwich so much? Is it that ringers in other counties are anxious to see our fine records and position in ringing annals relegated to the 'has-beens'?

Are we in East Suffolk not the most to be considered? Taking the letter of Mr. Dennis in this week's issue of your Journal, we find he is going back to history and telling us what happened in 1913-14. He very carefully refrains from saying that, when the officials of the N.D.A. found that their proposals were not acceptable to the ringers in Sudbury Archdeaconry they dropped the matter, and did not attempt to force the scheme on these gentlemen. Herein lies the difference in the tactics of the present. What we in East Suffolk are up against is the ramming of a society we do not want down our throats.

Peaceful penetration we are willing to stand or lose by, and if the new society is asked to hold meetings in any of our districts, I am sure none of the officers of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich would object or belittle a genuine wish for a change on the part of its members, but the efforts of one in our midst who is trying by coercion to float an East Suffolk Branch of this new society is what we are fighting.

Those of the clergy who have been approached to use their efforts to coerce ringers to throw over their old society and join the new, have, on the true facts, coupled with the opinion of their ringers, being placed before them, left the ringers to please themselves. This, Sir, is what we are doing, and we fail to see what it has to do with outsiders. It is our funeral—not theirs.

I hope my friends in West Suffolk will not think I am attacking them in any way, as I have always received the most courteous treatment from them, and sincerely hope our comradeship will still continue.

To go further back in 'history,' it may interest Mr. Dennis to know that in 1802 the ringers in Bury St. Edmunds were very anxious to join the N.D.A. as annual subscribers (and at their very urgent request, the late Rev. H. E. Bulwer reluctantly consented to admit them), so that they might belong to a really live society. This I know, as I was living in Bury at the time, and joined the N.D.A. with them.

In Mr. Drake's letter, 'Norwich' men (poor old Norwich) are accused of a most contemptible action, viz., finding fault with other people's skill. Now, Sir, I really must ask Mr. Drake to withdraw that statement for the following reasons:—

1. There were no 'Norwich' men there, those representing the then N. and I. Association (exclusive of life members) being Mr. Coleman, Mr. Drake, and myself, and most decidedly none of us reside in Norwich.

2. The only question (so far as my memory serves me) that arose on skill was when the question of what inducement could West Suffolk offer East Suffolk to warrant East Suffolk throwing in their lot with West Suffolk? This brought the ejaculation of 'Ah! We don't ring enough 5,000's for you, that's the whole trouble,' from a Bury ringer, who then volunteered the statement that they had a company who could ring Double Norwich, upon which he was complimented.

Can Mr. Drake call that finding 'fault' with skill? If West Suffolk cannot gain by joining the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, what can we gain by reversing the order? If we, in this part of Suffolk, have not fostered change ringing it is a certainty no other county has. I have come across no single case of Mr. Drake attempting to do things that have been thwarted by our Norfolk members, and one would think that I, as branch secretary, should be conversant with them.

I was also present at the Hadleigh meeting referred to, and am quite sure that the deputation did not go to that meeting with the idea that West Suffolk had quarrelled with Ely. Mr. Drake was one of that deputation. What has he done to enlighten other members on the point he raises? Nobody has, to my knowledge, treated the West Suffolk men as traitors to Ely; but can Mr. Drake say exactly what is his attitude to his old association? and perhaps he can tell us what is the difference between the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich taking in members from West Suffolk as annual subscribers, and vice versa, Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich were here first, and so long as its members are content to so remain, I believe the S.D.A. are the more flagrant 'poachers.'—Yours truly,

E. EVANS.

Dear Sir,—Would you allow me to say that I am not responsible for the heading under which my last letter was printed. I gave it all 'Why St. Edmundsbury?' The alteration seemed to write was a ~~deliberate~~ results which were not intended.—Yours faithfully, H. DRAKE.

Ufford Rectory, Woodbridge, Suffolk.

Dear Sir,—Your report of a meeting at Helmingham on Easter Monday states that Mr. Evans called my statement, that there was not a quorum present when the name of the Norwich and Ipswich Association was changed, 'absolutely false.' This is a rather unusual expression to appear in print; moreover it is Mr. Evans this time who is misinformed. Mr. Fisher was not at the meeting when the matter was discussed; the matter was settled before he arrived; therefore, on Mr. Evans' own showing, there was not a quorum present. It is rather strange that he should make such a point of this, when the matter had become of no importance, as it was then being decided by a full meeting. As, however, this meeting was only a Branch meeting, it clearly could not alter the laws of the whole Association.

Mr. Evans' deduction that because there were over 150 clergy who did not answer my circular, therefore they are quite satisfied with the old Association, is wrong. The true deduction is that there are over 150 Suffolk clergy who take no interest in ringing matters. Now it is up to the old Association to stop talking, and set about roping in those clergy and their towers, before the new Association gets to work on them. I think ringers will all agree that the society which gets hold of the most of these first, deserves best the applause of us all.—Yours, etc.,

H. DRAKE.

Ufford Rectory, Woodbridge, Suffolk.

## WHAT MIGHT HAVE HAPPENED.

Sir,—In his letter in your issue of April 28th, Mr. Dennis says I suggest that there was a grievance between the Ely Diocesan Association and the West Suffolk ringers. I simply asked the question if that was so, as the same question was asked at the Ipswich meeting in February last, but without any satisfactory answer being given. Mr. Dennis says that it is for Suffolk ringers to decide whether they form an association of their own or not. I entirely agree, but had the thing been brought to the proper notice of the Suffolk ringers and voted on, I am confident that the scheme would have been turned down by a large majority. Mr. Dennis says there is no harm in peaceful poaching. I am sorry to note that the way in which some of the ringers have been approached in the matter is not in the best interests of that good fellowship which we as ringers pride ourselves on.—Yours, etc.,

GEORGE WILSON.

Leiston.

Sir,—Permit me a few words in reply to Mr. Burton's letter of the 13th inst. He tells us the cases of West Suffolk and Ely, and East Suffolk and Norwich, are not on a par. I fail to see the difference. Ringers are free to leave or join as they wish. My point is, all Suffolk ringers should support the new St. Edmundsbury or Ipswich Association, and the officials of the Norwich Association should give them every facility for doing so, thus showing the good feeling that usually exists between ringers' associations. Norwich being diocesan should finish at that, and certainly not attempt to grab the new diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich from the ringers of Suffolk to prevent them forming the association that is so much needed in that county.—Yours truly,

W. MILLER.

Leytonstone.

## GLASGOW CATHEDRAL BELLS.

The peal of ten bells (tenor 32 cwt.), at St. Mary's Cathedral, Glasgow, have been silent for eight years, because of complaints as to noise, etc., but Mr. J. E. Sykes, after persistent effort has at last persuaded the authorities that he could get good ringing done, and has got the bells open again. The Very Rev. Provost Lethbridge is showing great interest in the movement, and has entrusted Mr. Sykes with the task of forming a band. It is no sinecure to be tower warden under the conditions which prevail, but he has secured a great helper in his bell warden, Mr. Tom O'Hara, who worked like a Trojan to make the opening possible, and deserves unstinted praise for his attentions to his noisy 'pets' above.

On Sunday, April 30th 1922, for evensong, 168 Grandsire Triples was rung by J. E. Sykes (conductor) 1, R. J. G. Thom 2, J. Holman 3, E. Astley 4, T. O'Hara 5, E. H. Lewis 6, A. J. Rodger 7, J. Porteus 8, A. E. Wreaks 9, E. Nelson Wreaks 10, 7, 8, 10 covering; 209 Grandsire Triples: J. E. Sykes 1, R. J. G. Thom 2, J. Holman 3, E. Astley 4, T. O'Hara 5, E. H. Lewis (conductor) 6, A. J. Rodger 7, J. Porteus 8, A. E. Wreaks 9, E. Nelson Wreaks 10, 7, 8, 10 covering. Two courses of Stedman Triples: J. E. Sykes 1, R. J. G. Thom 2, J. Holman 3, E. Astley 4, T. O'Hara 5, E. H. Lewis 6, A. J. Rodger 7, N. North 8, A. E. Wreaks (conductor) 9, E. Nelson Wreaks 10, 7, 8, 10 covering; also a course of Boh Major: J. Holman 1, E. H. Lewis 2, E. Astley 3, R. J. G. Thom 4, A. J. Rodger 5, J. Porteus 6, A. E. Wreaks 7, J. E. Sykes 8. This was the first ringing on the bells since 1914.

ACTON.—At St. Mary's, on Friday, April 14th, as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Arthur T. King, I.S.O., a quarter-peal of Grand-  
Coulson 7, Robt. Fardon 8.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**KENSINGTON.**—On Sunday evening, May 14th, at St. Mary Abbot's Church, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: H. G. Miles 1, A. W. Davies 2, C. W. Roberts 3, G. W. Frayne 4, A. B. Bennett 5, P. L. Miles 6, A. V. Selby 7, W. E. Garrard (conductor) 8.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, May 14th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr., 1, F. Goodfellow (conductor) 2, J. E. Churchill 3, A. M. Stacey 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, L. H. Page 7, F. S. Palmer, senr., 8. First quarter-peal as conductor. Also on the same day, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 41 mins.: A. H. Fudwell 1, J. E. Churchill 2, A. M. Stacey 3, F. W. Goodfellow 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, L. H. Page (conductor) 7, F. S. Palmer, senr., 8. Quickest quarter-peal by the band.

**LONDON.**—At St. Andrew's, Wells Street, on Sunday, May 14th, for evening service, 1,260 Stedman Triples, in 43 mins.: H. Dyas 1, A. Cutmor 2, W. H. Stevens 3, W. Wood 4, C. W. Otley 5, G. C. Iles 6, F. Skerington (conductor) 7, P. Norton 8.

**ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.**—At the Abbey Church of St. Thomas, R.C., on Easter Day, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (Thurstans), in 48 mins.: P. Plumley 1, G. Harris (first quarter-peal) 2, O. Clayton 3, B. Leedham 4, B. Wicheil 5, J. W. Pemberton (conductor) 6, H. C. Spencer 7, J. Caulfield 8.

**PAIGNTON, DEVON.**—At the Parish Church, on Easter Day, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: F. Allwood 1, A. W. Bowers (Cockington), first quarter on an inside bell, 2, J. S. Collings 3, F. Norrish 4, C. Austin 5, F. T. Gover 6, T. H. Beams (conductor) 7, H. J. Hole 8. Arranged for Mr. T. Harvey Beams, who hails from Bradpole, Bridport.

**NORBURY, CHESHIRE.**—For morning service, on Easter Day, in 1 hour 10 mins., a date touch (1,922 changes), consisting of 122 Norbury, 360 Disley, 720 (spliced) Poynton, Marple, and 720 (spliced) Knutsford, Wilmslow and Rostherne: H. Hallworth 1, J. P. Fuller 2, W. Fernley 3, H. Langley 4, J. Fernley (conductor) 5, J. W. Hartley 6.

**BUCKLEY, FLINT.**—North Wales Association.—At St. Matthew's Church, on Easter Day, for evening service, in 44 mins., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): \*A. H. Jones 1, E. Usher 2, \*E. Shone 3, G. Dyment 4, S. Birks 5, J. E. Usher 6, E. Messham 7, Wm. Bellis 8. \* First quarter. Arranged as a welcome to the new Vicar.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.**—At St. Andrew's Church, on Easter Day, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 52 mins., after meeting short for Caters for evening service: T. Myers 1, J. Gluyas 2, A. H. Kentfield 3, A. Mitchelmore 4, W. Hamblyn 5, J. Woodley 6, G. H. Myers (conductor) 7, S. Symons 8.

**LONDON.**—On Easter Day, for morning service, at St. Andrew's, Holborn, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 49 mins., by the local band: A. W. Hearn (first quarter of Stedman) 1, C. J. Choct 2, G. C. Iles 3, E. C. Russell 4, W. P. Evans 5, J. R. Gammon 6, J. Bullock (conductor) 7, L. W. C. Goodwin 8.

**IWERNE COURTNEY, Shroton, Dorset.**—At the Parish Church of St. Mary, on Easter Day, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 44 mins.: J. W. Harvey 1, A. W. Harvey 2, B. Newman 3, H. Martin 4, F. Arnold (conductor) 5, W. Wilkins 6.

**WICKWAR, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**—On Easter Day, for morning service, at the Parish Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. Handoll 1, H. V. Robinson 2, W. Dyer (conductor) 3, F. Oakhill 4, J. Parker 5, A. Handoll 6. First 720 of Kent on the bells, and first by all except the 4th.

**CHISLEHURST.**—On Easter Day, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 43 mins.: T. Phillips 1, J. Ford 2, R. Brett-Smith 3, H. Durling 4, R. S. Goodchild 5, R. Brett-Smith 6, T. Groombridge, senr., (conductor) 7, F. Groombridge 8.

**EDENBRIDGE, KENT.**—On Easter Day, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: E. Leigh 1, J. Heasman 2, H. Leigh 3, W. Leigh 4, A. Belton 5, R. Jenner 6, J. W. Steady (conductor) 7, E. Leigh, senr., 8.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: E. Leigh 1, J. W. Steady 2, H. Leigh 3, C. Eastman 4, E. Seal 5, A. Belton 6, J. Heasman (conductor) 7, E. Leigh, senr., 8.

**MANGOTSFIELD.**—At St. James' Church, on Easter Day, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): \*H. Jefferies 1, \*Wm. Hewitt 2, \*R. Marsh 3, \*S. Harding 4, T. James 5, E. Palmer 6, J. G. Jefferies (conductor) 7, \*C. Packer 8. \* First quarter-peal.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On Easter Day, April 16th for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins., taken from Holt's Original: J. Coppins 1, F. Orris 2, N. Hope 3, E. Bridges 4, A. Redwell 5, S. Binfield (conductor) 6, T. Farley 7, W. Knight 8.

**WALDRON, SUSSEX.**—On Sunday, April 16th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 44 mins.: Miss Hamble-Crofts 1, H. E. Holden (conductor) 2, E. Jennings 3, A. B. ... First quarter by conductor, who is 14 years of age.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

## ANNUAL MEETING AT LINCOLN.

The annual meeting of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild was held at Lincoln on Saturday, April 29th, when there was a large muster of members, due in part, no doubt, to the fine weather, and to the increased facilities afforded by the railway companies, excursion trains running from various parts to the Lincoln Pleasure Fair for the first time since 1914. At the same time, a good number found their way to the meeting by motor, this method of travelling having found great favour amongst those ringers who live in the more remote parts of the county. Ringing took place during the afternoon and evening at the Cathedral (8), St. Peter-at-Arches (8), St. Peter-at-Gowts (5) and St. Botolph's (6). A quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung on the Cathedral bells for evensong at four o'clock, after which nearly 200 members, including many lady ringers, sat down to tea at the Co-operative Hall. The gathering this year was in one respect noteworthy, in that the Lord Bishop of the Diocese (patron) and the Dean of Lincoln (President) were both present, this evidence of real interest in the work of the Guild being very much appreciated.

Not being able to stay for the business meeting, the Bishop addressed the members before leaving the tea-tables. He said that it had given him great pleasure to come amongst them for the first time at one of their meetings, and hoped that on a future occasion he would be able to stay longer with them. — A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to his Lordship for his presence and for so kindly addressing the gathering.

The usual business meeting was then held, the chair being taken by the Dean of Lincoln, who gave a most interesting description of the work that is being done in restoring the north-west tower and the west front of the Cathedral for which a very large sum of money will be required during the next few years.

The following officers were re-elected for the ensuing year, namely, the Dean of Lincoln, President; the Rev. H. Law James, Master; Mr. F. F. Linley, treasurer; and Mr. F. W. Stokes, hon. secretary.

The Guild balance sheet and report were passed. The latter shows that 57 peals were rung during the past year, an increase of six on the previous year, nineteen members having rung their first peal. Two new methods appear in the peal list, namely, Granta Treble Bob Royal (on handbells) and Double Bob Royal (on tower bells), both rung at Surfleet.

Mr. C. W. P. Clifton raised the question of the Central Council meeting at Lincoln on Whit-Tuesday this year, and proposed that the Guild entertain the members of the Council to tea at the close of their meeting.—This was unanimously agreed to, the arrangements being left in the hands of the Committee of the Northern Branch.

The proceedings closed with the customary vote of thanks to the Dean and Chapter, and to the incumbents of the various churches in the city for the use of the bells during the afternoon and evening.

The meeting over, members again visited the various towers, the Master of the Guild (the Rev. H. Law James) controlling the ringing at the Cathedral tower. The methods rung included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative, Cambridge and London Surprise Major, besides various Minor methods at the six-bell towers. A number of members made their first attempt in some of the higher methods, and there is evidence of a good deal of progress having been made during the past year.

## GRIMSBY DISTRICT.

A quarterly meeting of the Grimsby district was held at Barrow-on-Humber, where there is a fine ring of six bells, on April 22nd, and was fairly well attended, considering the unsettled state of the weather. The ringing commenced soon after three o'clock, and during the day touches of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Bob Minor and Grandsire were rung. The following towers were represented: Hull, Grimsby, Scunthorpe, Bigby, Ulceby, Thornton, Barton-on-Humber, and the local company. One lady ringer was present belonging to the Barton company.

The Vicar (the Rev. D. Stedman) conducted a short service, and gave an interesting address on bells and the history of the church.

Tea in the Vicar's Room, kindly provided by Mr. J. Bentley, churchwarden, was much appreciated and enjoyed.

The business meeting followed, presided over by the Vicar. Two new members (one honorary) were elected, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for his address, also for presiding, and Mr. Bentley was thanked for his kind hospitality.

## GIFFORD MEMORIAL.

The following subscriptions to the late Mr. W. W. Gifford's memorial fund have been received: Amount previously acknowledged, £9 4s. 6d.; Mr. F. Sutton, 1s.; St. Paul's company ringers, Salisbury, 7s. 6d.; Mr. W. Prince, 2s.; Mr. J. R. Jerram 5s.; Mr. E. A. Foster, £1; Rev. F. L. Edwards, 5s.; collection at the annual £1; Rg. of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers at Lyme Regis, total, £13 2s. 6d. ... Gifford company ringers, 12s. 6d.; ...

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 8d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.—St. Clement Danes, May 29th. Sundays at 10 a.m.—St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Near Slough.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bradford-on-Tone on Saturday, May 20th. Bells (6) from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.—P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Eastern Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Great Baddow on Saturday, May 20th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting in the Iron Room. Buses leave Chelmsford Station 2.15 p.m. and 3.15 p.m., returning at 7 p.m., 7.40 p.m. and 9.40 p.m.—P. Timson, Hon. Dist. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas, Chiswick, W., on Saturday, May 20th. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Tea will be arranged at 5.30 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Barnet on Saturday, May 20th. Short service at 6 p.m., to which all are invited. Tea at 6.30, at 1/6 per head, for those who state they require same. The bells at Barnet and Hadley will be available for ringing from 3 o'clock and during the evening.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Willington on Saturday, May 20th. Bells at 2.30 o'clock. All ringers and friends welcomed.—H. L. Harlow, Dist. Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Singleton, near Poulton (6 bells), on Saturday, May 20th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 5.30.—C. Sharples, Branch Secretary, 32, Ormond Avenue, Blackpool.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Debenham District.—A meeting for practice will be held at Stonham Aspal (10 bells) on Saturday, May 20th. Bells available from 2 p.m.—E. E. Grimes, Dist. Sec., Vicarage Road, Debenham.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—A Combined Practice in Surprise Methods only will be held at Sevenoaks on Saturday, May 20th. Tower open at 3 p.m. All Surprise ringers welcome.—W. Latter, Hon. Dist. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Isle of Wight District.—Next meeting Saturday, 20th May, at Whitwell. Bells (6) available 2. Service at 4. Tea 4.30.—W. Upton, Hon. Dist. Sec., 10, Elm Grove, Newport, I.W.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The annual General meeting will be held at East Retford on Saturday, May 20th. East Retford (10), West Retford and Ordsall (6) will be available for ringing from 2 to 9 p.m. Short service, East Retford, 4.20 to 4.55 p.m. Members of kindred associations will be given a hearty welcome.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Apsley on Saturday, May 20th. Bells available at 3 p.m. A short service will be held in Church. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—F. J. Reeve, Hon. Dist. Sec., Tring.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—A Monthly meeting for May will be held at Monks Kirby on Saturday, the 20th inst. Bells (8) ready at 3 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—A Monthly ringing meeting for practice will be held at Bromsgrove on Saturday, May 20th. Bells available at 4 o'clock.—A. Davies, Branch Sec., 29, Hampton Street, Netherton, Dudley.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Wisbech Branch.—A District meeting will be held at March on Saturday, May 20th. Bells (6) ready at 3 o'clock. Doddington (5) bells available. Tea provided. All ringers welcome.—H. W. Giddings, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—The meeting of the above notified to be held at New Romney on Saturday next, May 20th, will be held at Smarden instead, in consequence of the bells at New Romney being out of order. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Service at 5; tea at 5.30. The usual allowances for travelling expenses will be paid at this meeting.—C. Tribe, Hon. Dist. Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.—Exeter Branch.—A meeting of the above will be held at Otterton on Saturday, May 20th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Parish Room, 1/- each. Bells available Otterton and East Budleigh and Colaton Raleigh.—J. C. Oke, Assist. Sec., 35, St. David's Hill, Exeter.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on May 30th; St. Magnus, 25th; and Southwark Cathedral on the 23rd, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The next Quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Sedgley, All Saints' Church, on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Guild service in church, conducted by the Vicar (Rev. T. G. Swindell, D.D.), at 5 o'clock. Tea in schoolroom at 5.45, 9d. per head. Business meeting afterwards. Will those who intend to be present kindly notify me by first post Tuesday 23rd?—Fred Colclough, Hon. Sec., 1, Earl Street, Bilston.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Stretford on Saturday, May 27th, instead of the 20th, as it is a more convenient date for the church authorities. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 p.m.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver St., Miles Platting.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.**—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Sherburn-in-Elmet on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (8) available from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. Further particulars next week.—A. B. Cook, Hon. Dist. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at Chiddingstone on Saturday, May 27th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea at the Castle Inn at 5.45, 1/6 per head, followed by business meeting. Members requiring tea must notify the Dist. Sec. not later than Tuesday, 23rd inst.—W. Latter, Hon. Dist. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.**—Alteration of Date.—The meeting at St. Mary's, Ealing, will be held on Saturday May 27th by permission of the Vicar, Rev. C. J. Sharp, who will entertain the members to tea after service. Visitors will be charged 1/- for tea. Tower open at 3 p.m. and a hearty welcome to all.—W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—A District meeting will be held at Chester-le-Street on Saturday, May 27th. Tower opens 3 p.m.—H. Tyson, Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Thornbury on Saturday, May 27th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 5. Short service at 7 o'clock.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A District meeting will be held at Barley on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (6) afternoon and evening. Service, tea and meeting. All ringers heartily welcomed.—F. R. Bacon, Hon. Dist. Sec., 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Branch.—A Combined practice will be held at Twyford on Saturday, May 27th, from 6 till 9 p.m.—Jos. White.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Bottesford on Saturday, May 27th. Ringing from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—A District meeting will be held at Cranleigh on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Ash on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Short service in church at 4.30. Will all those who will require tea notify me not later than Saturday, May 20th?—E. G. Buesden, Hon. District Sec., 3, Haskington Terrace, Canterbury.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bromyard District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Bredenbury on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea provided for those only notifying me not later than May 24th.—A. Tomkins, Bredenbury, Bromyard.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Stoney Stanton on Saturday, May 27th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—Fred Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.**—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Sherburn-in-Elmet on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (8) available from 1 to 9 p.m. Tea in Church Hall at 5 p.m., to those who notify Mr. G. Thornton, Church House, Sherburn-in-Elmet, on or before Wednesday, May 24th. Business meeting afterwards.—A. B. Cook, Hon. Dist. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The usual Monthly meeting will be held at Guiseley on May 27th. Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Tower.—Charles E. Lawson, Hon. Sec., 10, Leather Street, Leeds.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northern Branch.—The Half-yearly meeting will be held at Ewerby on Saturday, May 27th, 1922. Bells (10) available afternoon and evening. Members or friends who intend being present and require tea must please let Mr. W. Dickinson, Gas Works, Heckington, know on or before Monday, May 22nd. Members travelling by train are advised to alight at Ruskington as the nearest station.—J. W. Seamer, Hon. Sec.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—A meeting will be held at Rawmarsh on Saturday, May 27th. Tea only provided for those who notify me before the 23rd. A combined practice will be held at Doncaster St. George's on Thursday, the 25th inst., at 7 p.m., and on every Thursday until further notice.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The May meeting will be held at Bennington on May 27th, when all who can come will be heartily welcomed. Tea will be provided by the new rector, Rev. W. E. Mills (son of the late Canon Mills), who has kindly offered to continue the welcome so long extended to the yearly gathering by his late father.—W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dist. Sec., Little Munden.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next Monthly Meeting will be held at Milnrow on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells ready at 3; meeting at 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—The Annual meeting of above branch will be held at Shenley on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than May 29th. The bells of Loughton will be available during the afternoon.—Walter Sear, Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service at 4. Tea at 5 and business meeting to follow.—Percy Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held at Bratton on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30; tea at 5. Short business meeting after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A Ringing meeting will be held at Leek on Saturday, June 3rd. Please notify me on or before May 29th how many intend to be present from your tower.—E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.



**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual festival will be held at Hereford on Whit Monday, June 5th. Service in Cathedral at 12.15. Preacher, Rev. H. E. Wall. Dinner 2/6 at 1. Business meeting 2 p.m. Tea 1/6 at 6. Those intending to be present will kindly notify me on or before May 29th.—Rev. G. W. Turner, Hon. Sec., Madley Vicarage, Hereford.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the Association will be held at Northampton on Whit Monday, June 5th. Committee meeting at 11.15 a.m. in St. Giles' Vestry. Service in St. Giles' Church at 12.15 p.m. Luncheon at Cinema Cafe, Market Square, at 1.15 p.m. at 2/6 per head, to all those who notify Mr. S. J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Rd., Northampton, by Tuesday, May 30th. Bells available, St. Giles' (10), St. Peter's (8), St. Edmund's (8), St. Sepulchre's (8), All Saints' (8).—David J. Nichols, Gen. Sec., 3, York Road, Kettering.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A General meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch will be held at King's Lynn on Whit Monday, June 5th. The bells of St. Margaret's (10), St. Nicholas' (8) and Gaywood (6) will be available. No special luncheon will be provided, but members can obtain luncheon, at a quite moderate price, at the 'Globe' Hotel, Market Square, at 1 o'clock. Please notify to the General Secretary not later than Thursday, June 1st, if it is your intention to be present at the luncheon. The General Business meeting will be held at 2 o'clock in the Vestry of St. Nicholas' Church.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—The 43rd Annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit Monday, June 5th. 11.30 a.m., service at the Cathedral, with address by the Rev. C. Neill, vicar of Great Baddow. 12.15 p.m., meeting in Vestry Hall, New Street. 1.30 p.m., lunch at Hick's Restaurant, High Street, members 2/- each. Towers open for ringing during day which can be reached by frequent bus service: Cathedral (12), Writtle (8), Widford (8), Galleywood (8), Boreham (8), Gt. Waltham (8), Springfield (6), Broomfield (6). No ringing permitted during service and meeting. It is most important that notice of intention to be present should be sent to the Hon. Sec. not later than 1st post previous Tuesday, May 30th.—Chas. H. Howard, Master; F. J. Pitstow, Gen. Sec. and Treas., 45, High Street, Saffron Walden.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Whit Monday meeting will be held at Darlington. Committee meeting at 12 noon in the 'Fleece' Hotel. Dinner at 1 o'clock; members 2s., non-members 3s. 6d. General meeting afterwards. The bells of St. Cuthbert's and Holy Trinity will be available for ringing during the day. All intending to be present please inform me not later than 30th May.—B. C. Dixon, Hon. Sec., 80, Fern Dene Road, Gateshead.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District. — The next meeting of the above will be held at Long Ashton, near Bristol, on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea at the Church House at 4.30, followed by a short meeting. All members and friends are invited to Evensong at 6 o'clock. Will those requiring tea let me know without fail by Tuesday, June 6th, as Long Ashton ringers have very kindly undertaken to arrange this?—Edith Smith, 23, Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol.

#### BIRTH.

**BROUGH.**—On May 13th at 32, Leslie Park Road, East Croydon, to Mr. and Mrs. R. Brough, a son.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Clerk, ex-service (24), seeks situation: London or Warwick districts preferred (not essential). Experienced book-keeper, storekeeper, typist. Ring Surprise 8 bells. Accept low salary to get with good band. Excellent refs.—Box 4, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

Set of 10 Handbells (tenor 18 in G) for sale. Fair condition.—Write Box 3, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

#### PUBLICATION.

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**

LIMITED.

**COVENTRY.**

**MAKERS SINCE 1730.**

#### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

#### CHEAP PRINTING.

PEAL CARDS, 3/6 doz. Report Books, Stationery, Balance Sheets, and all classes of General and Commercial Printing at lowest prices. Send stamped envelope for new price list of printing, and support your fellow ringers.

**GOOD BROS.**

31, PRESTONVILLE ROAD, BRIGHTON.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION...	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY	...	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods)	...	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	...	1 0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½ in. 2¾ in. 3½ in. 3¾ in. 4 in. 4½ in. 5 in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 75/- 98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith.  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

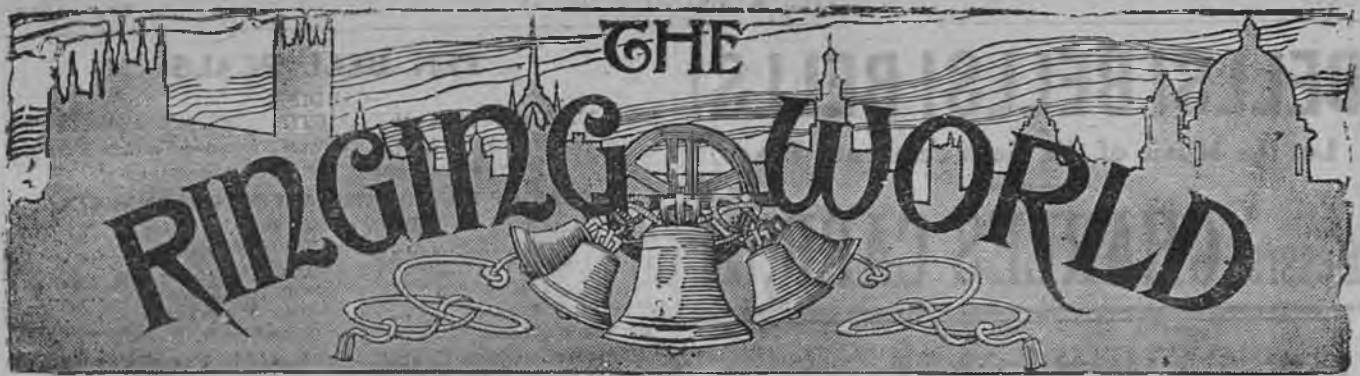
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 584. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, MAY 26th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### THE COUNCIL AGENDA.

The agenda of the Central Council meeting, which we publish to-day, seems likely to provide the members with a full and interesting session at Lincoln on Whitsun Tuesday. In addition to the reports of the committees, which usually occupy more than the morning sitting, there are half a dozen subjects included among the notices of motion, most of which promise material for debate, and none of them likely to prove matters for the "experts" alone, unless it should happen that the reference to Holt's peals is a technical question. As it stands at present the item is worded, it may be intentionally, to stir the curiosity of the ringing public. It certainly leaves most of us "guessing."

All the other motions appear to be within the realm of practical politics, and the one that seems likely mostly to divide opinion seems to be that which seeks to lay down a rule that every tower should be affiliated to some one society and one only. What, exactly, is the object of this we shall hear when the resolution is moved; but we doubt if it will prove acceptable to those ringers whose towers stand within the area of two societies which overlap, and who exist in amicable relationship. Indeed, unless a whole band joins an association for a specific inclusive fee, we doubt if it can be said that a "tower" is affiliated. It is the ringers who are affiliated, and, even if the rule were accepted, that the tower could be affiliated to only one society, would that prevent the individual members belonging to a second association? The resolution appears to us akin to that defeated a year or two ago, which sought to make it obligatory upon ringers to ring all peals for the association in whose area the tower, where the peal is rung, stands. But we shall see.

The motion with regard to the proof and record of compositions is, we think, important. It would have been in the interests of the Exercise if such a proposal had been put into practice twenty years ago, for the output of compositions since that time has been enormous. A plan of filing compositions for reference, so that those who first obtained them should not be robbed of their title, whether from "piracy" or ignorance, is badly needed, and it will be easier to take it in hand now than twenty years hence. The question of the proof of peals is also important, but the conditions under which this should be officially undertaken need to be carefully safeguarded, otherwise a vast amount of useless and avoidable work will be cast upon somebody. Unquestionably the agenda is one of the most interesting to the general body of ringers that the Council has had for many years past, and we hope it may be the beginning of a new era of useful debates.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

**Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.**

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

**Late 155, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

CARDIFF.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

SIDNEY DAWE ... .. Treble	JOHN W. JONES ... .. 6
FRED ATWELL ... .. 2	FREDERICK G. VILES ... .. 7
WILLIAM B. BISS ... .. 3	ERNEST COOMBS ... .. 8
HARRY WEST ... .. 4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 9
*ERNEST H. HUNT ... .. 5	SEYMOUR R. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by FRED CHAMBERLAIN.

\* First peal of Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Friday, May 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

JOHN THOMAS ... .. Treble	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... .. 6
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 2	ERNEST BRETT ... .. 7
WILSON RUSHTON ... .. 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 8
ALFRED B. PECK ... .. 4	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... .. 9
ROBERT A. FARDON ... .. 5	*ALBERT HOWELL, M.P.S. ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE R. FARDON. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

C. W. R. Grimwood's 100th peal. \* First peal and first attempt.

BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5089 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

*JOE HARDCASTLE ... .. Treble	*JOHN W. CONDALL ... .. 6
JAMES COTTERELL ... .. 2	THOMAS B. KENDALL ... .. 7
JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 3	JAMES F. HARVEY ... .. 8
PERCY J. JOHNSON ... .. 4	*JAMES H. MAWSON ... .. 9
*JAMES R. KEMP ... .. 5	*CHARLES B. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES F. HARVEY.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. First peal of Stedman Caters in Bradford.

LOUGHBOROUGH.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30½ cwt.

*JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. Treble	SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 6
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 2	FRED W. HILL ... .. 7
GEORGE CLEAL ... .. 3	H. GEORGE JENNEY ... .. 8
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 4	FRED H. DEXTER ... .. 9
A. CONINGSBY WRIGHT ... .. 5	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

\* First peal of Royal. Quickest peal of Royal on the bells.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

PRESTON.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

*ALIC MARTIN ... .. Treble	EDWARD ARMSTRONG ... .. 5
E. ROGER MARTIN ... .. 2	FRED HARWOOD ... .. 6
*JOHN BINSON ... .. 3	ROBERT SANDERSON ... .. 7
ROBERT J. ARMSTRONG ... .. 4	*WILLIAM HEALD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. R. MARTIN.

\* First peal in the method. Rung with the bells half-muffled to the memory of John C. Bateman, who was for 38 years a regular ringer at the above church. He was laid to rest in Preston cemetery on May 4th.

STOKE-IN-COVENTRY.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Friday, May 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF BROOKS'. Tenor 13½ cwt.

ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM T. COX ... .. 5
OSWALD J. HUNT ... .. 2	† JOHN TAYLOR ... .. 6
JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... .. 3	FRANK PERVIN ... .. 7
EDWARD H. JOHNSON ... .. 4	* FRANK ROUSE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. PERVIN.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman Triples.

DARESBUURY, CHESHIRE  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. in E.

BERT RYDER ... .. Treble	ERNEST PALMER ... .. 5
JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. 2	FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 6
HENRY C. COLLIER ... .. 3	WILLIAM BIBBY ... .. 7
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 4	CECIL RADDON ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (181). Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal in the method on the bells. Mr. W. Bibby's 50th peal.

BUCKLEY, FLINTSHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.

ROBERT SPERRING ... .. Treble	GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 5
JOHN HAYES ... .. 2	ARTHUR NEWELL ... .. 6
SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. 3	HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 7
* WILLIAM CLARKE ... .. 4	JAMES MORGAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING

\* First peal in the method. The band wish to thank Mr. Jones for making arrangements and getting everything ready.

ROTHWELL, NEAR LEEDS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

THOMAS STRANGEWAY ... .. Treble	GEORGE H. ABBISHAW ... .. 5
WALTER CHAPMAN ... .. 2	FRANCIS BARKER ... .. 6
WILLIAM E. H. ASH ... .. 3	STEPHEN STACEY ... .. 7
GEORGE COPLEY ... .. 4	GEORGE W. STEEL ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEORGE W. STEEL.

The ringers of the third and sixth belong to Leeds, the rest to the local company.

GREAT BENTLEY, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 8 cwt.

PERCY ALMOND ... .. Treble	* CHARLES ANDREWS ... .. 5
GEORGE W. MOSS ... .. 2	JOSEPH BOWELL ... .. 6
JAMES SOUTER ... .. 3	GEORGE ANDREWS ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... .. 4	WILLIAM BURGESS ... .. Tenor

Composed by THE REV. H. E. BULWER. Conducted by W. BURGESS.

\* First peal.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BROOKS' VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. Treble	REUBEN HALL ... .. 5
SAMUEL BAKER ... .. 2	JESSE SCREEN ... .. 6
* SAMUEL J. HUGHES ... .. 3	ABRAHAM GREENFIELD ... .. 7
ALFRED ROWLEY ... .. 4	CHARLES E. PERKINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ABRAHAM GREENFIELD.

\* First peal in the method. Mr. J. Hughes was elected a member of the above Society previous to starting for the peal

MONKS KIRBY, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. EDITH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 24½ cwt. in D.

JOSEPH B. FENTON ... .. Treble	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... .. 5
ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... .. 2	JOSEPH A. FENTON ... .. 6
ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... .. 3	JOHN W. CHANDLER ... .. 7
WALTER MALINS ... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by JOSEPH B. FENTON.

First peal in the method on the bells. The conductor's 100th peal, rung on all numbers of bells from 6 to 12.

NUNEATON.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

MISS PATTIE CLARKE ... .. Treble	* EDWARD MARTIN ... .. 5
HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 2	ERNEST STONE ... .. 6
WALTER HORTON ... .. 3	JAMES F. CLARKE, SEN. ... .. 7
CHARLES DRAPER ... .. 4	DOUGLAS H. ARGYLE ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by D. H. ARGYLE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the Vicar's late wife, who was buried the previous day. \* First peal and first attempt.

MIDDLETON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN HOLLOWES ... .. Treble	SAMUEL HOLT ... .. 5
JAMES JACQUES ... .. 2	THOMAS K. DRIVER ... .. 6
WILLIAM BERRY ... .. 3	FRANK BERRY ... .. 7
JAMES H. BASTOW ... .. 4	TOM WELLES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. BERRY.

Arranged and rung as a welcome to J. H. Bastow, who is home on holiday from Mexico.

CLIFFORD, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, May 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

ALFRED A. RACKHAM ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. SYMONS ... .. 5
JOHN H. RACKHAM ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 6
SYDNEY T. RACKHAM ... .. 3	CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 7
JOHN P. HYETT ... .. 4	* WILLIAM TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER. Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

\* First peal. The band were welcomed by the Vicar, the Rev. Walwyn Trumper, M.A., who timed the peal and hospitably provided tea.

WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE.—On Saturday, March 11th, for practice, 1,344 Cambridge Major: J. Leatherbarrow 1, R. F. Dea 2, T. B. Worsley 3, G. Pownall 4, R. Wallwork 5, T. Barlow 6, J. Potter (conductor) 7, A. F. Bailey 8.



BROUGHTON, STAFFS.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt in F.

WILLIAM WASE ... .. Treble	EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... 5
LEONARD HEWITT ... .. 2	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 6
BERT RIXON ... .. 3	WILLIAM WEATHERBY ... 7
ALFRED BAILEY ... .. 4	JAMES L. HAYWARD ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM SAUNDERS.

First peal on the new bells, also a birthday compliment to the conductor.

PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 15, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb.

JOHN SOUTER ... .. Treble	*GEORGE BROWN, JUN. ... 5
WILLIAM CLOVER ... .. 2	GEORGE CATTERMOLE ... 6
CHARLES MILLS ... .. 3	CLEMENT J. MORE ... .. 7
ALPHAEUS BERRY ... .. 4	ERNEST F. POPPY ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS. Conducted by C. J. MORE.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt. Association Report 1920, No. 3370.

LEIGH.

On Monday, May 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

BANKS' SIX-PART.

DAVID SMITH ... .. Treble	GEORGE POWNALL ... .. 5
HENRY SMITH ... .. 2	†SAMUEL HAYES ... .. 6
HENRY HAYES ... .. 3	WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 7
JOSEPH LEATHERBARROW ... 4	*JOHN HAYES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HENRY SMITH.

\* First peal. † First peal on an 'inside' bell.

NORTHFLEET, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Botolph,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... Treble	JOHN WHEADON ... .. 5
WILLIAM HARPER ... .. 2	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... 6
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 3	SPENCER MARSHALL ... .. 7
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE ... 4	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by E. BARNETT, SENR. Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

FAKENHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 6040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

EDWARD C. COOKE ... .. Treble	ARTHUR W. BALDWIN ... .. 5
ARTHUR DYE ... .. 2	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 6
CHARLES S. TUTHILL ... .. 3	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 7
GEORGE COOKE ... .. 4	ROBERT W. COOKE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE H. CROSS. Conducted by WILLIAM E. BASON.  
First peal in the method in the county of Norfolk also by all the band.

SWANSCOMBE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 6040 CHANGES;**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 18 cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... Treble	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... 5
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 2	WILLIAM HARPER ... .. 6
MRS. E. M. MITCHELL ... .. 3	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... 7
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE ... 4	ALFRED BROOM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Monday, May 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*WILLIAM BARNES ... .. Treble	FRANK SHAW ... .. 5
ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH ... 2	JONATHAN WHEWELL ... .. 6
JAMES SHAW ... .. 3	JAMES HOULDSWORTH ... .. 7
WILLIAM RILEY ... .. 4	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by J. HOULDSWORTH.

\* First peal in the method. Arranged for A. Tomlinson, of Blackburn, all the rest being members of the local company.

BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Luke,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE DURLING ... .. Treble	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 5
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 2	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 6
*JAMES E. COOPER ... .. 3	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... 7
ERNEST B. CROWDER ... .. 4	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR MASON.

\* First peal in the method. Rung on the 44th anniversary of Treble ringer's wedding day.

ANSTEX, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

VICAR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 9½ cwt. in G.

*MISS MARY L. COFFLIN ... Treble	EDWARD R. WHITEHEAD ... 5
JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 2	REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 6
WALTER F. WHITEHEAD ... 3	ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. 7
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 4	ALFRED COFFLIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by REDVERS F. ELKINGTON.

\* First peal (age 16). The ringers of Treble, 6th and Tenor belong to the local band, the rest are from St. Margaret's, Leicester.

ROTHWELL, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of Holy Trinity,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5162 CHANGES;**

GEORGE W. STEEL ... .. Treble	JOHN PALFRAMAN ... .. 5
ARTHUR GILL ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. DIXON ... .. 6
*CHARLES E. LAWSON ... .. 3	FRANCIS BARKER ... .. 7
FIRTH HOPWOOD ... .. 4	WILLIAM E. H. ASH ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by F. W. DIXON.

First peal of Bob Major on the bells. \* First peal away from the treble.

DARLINGTON, DURHAM.  
THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

ROBERT B. ROBINSON ... Treble	*NORMAN PARK ... .. 5
ALFRED COATES ... .. 2	ALBERT HUNTER ... .. 6
†FREDERICK W. JOHNSON ... 3	*HERBERT BROADLEY ... .. 7
WILLIAM BROADLEY ... .. 4	HENRY TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. ESTCOURT. Conducted by H. TAYLOR.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. First peal of Major as conductor. Great credit is due to the ringers of the 5th and 7th, who are 17 and 18 years of age respectively. Rung for the wedding of Miss H. F. Brown, daughter of Mr. J. T. Brown, ex Vicar's warden, and Mr. H. V. Keighley.

EYNESBURY, HUNTS.—On St. George's Day, for afternoon service, 720 Plain Bob Minor: W. Chamberlain 1, A. Walton 2, W. Ibbett 3, A. Green 4, H. Green 5, S. J. Peck (conductor) 6. First 720 by the band of local ringers.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

STURRY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 11 cwt.

*PERCY CROUCH ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM THOMPSON... .. 4
RICHARD FRENCH ... .. 2	WILLIAM GOLDFINCH ... .. 5
*REGINALD MAILE ... .. 3	ERNEST SLINGSBY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. SLINGSBY.

First local peal. Rung as a compliment to the conductor on the 22nd anniversary of his wedding. \* First peal.

KIMBOLTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, April 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 12 six-scores of Canterbury Pleasure and 30 of Grandsire.

Tenor 10 cwt.

*W. H. JAINE ... .. Treble	A. OWENS ... .. 4
F. A. JAINE... .. 2	C. JAINE ... .. 5
J. F. FOX ... .. 3	*G. THOMAS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. A. JAINE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. W. F. Jaine, father of Messrs. F. A. and W. H. Jaine, brother of C. Jaine; also to Sergt. E. G. Owens and Pte. J. Harper, former ringers of the above church, who lost their lives during the Great War. First peal on the bells by a local band. \* First peal. First peal in two methods by all and first as conductor.

SHELFORD, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, May 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

In four methods, viz., four six-scores each of Canterbury Pleasure Doubles, Old Doubles and Plain Bob Doubles, and 30 six-scores of Grandsire Doubles, with ten different callings. Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE NEWELL... .. Treble	FRANK SPENCER ... .. 3
STEPHEN LEACH ... .. 2	WALTER WHITE ... .. 4
THOMAS SQUIRES ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by WALTER WHITE.

First peal on the bells which were recently rehung on ball bearings by Messrs. J. Taylor &amp; Co., of Loughborough.

CRANHAM, GLOUCESTER.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
(GLOUCESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE & ST. DUNSTAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

F. H. HAYWARD ... .. Treble	C. J. TAYLOR ... .. 4
W. C. WASLEY ... .. 2	A. MARTIN ... .. 5
W. H. HIERON ... .. 3	F. HAYWARD... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. MARTIN.

RENDCOMB, GLOUCESTER.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of 10 six-scores of Grandsire and 32 of St. Dunstan's, each called differently. Tenor 12½ cwt.

†WALTER PEACHEY ... .. Treble	JAMES BUTLER ... .. 4
FRANCIS J. LEWIS ... .. 2	JOHN MILLER ... .. 5
WILLIAM C. CUSS ... .. 3	*MAURICE TELLING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM C. CUSS.

\* First peal. † First peal away from tenor. Rung in honour of the induction of the Rev. N. Inge, as Rector of Rendcomb, and also to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Peachey.

WALPOLE ST. ANDREW, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in F.

RALPH NARBOROUGH ... Treble	CLAUDE COUSINS... .. 4
*WALLACE COUSINS ... .. 2	TOM GREENACRE... .. 5
JOHN RODWELL, JUN. ... 3	TONY PRICE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

\* First peal on an 'inside' bell.

KELVEDON, ESSEX.

THE SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Comprising 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, New London, Kent, Oxford, Double Court, Double Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 21 cwt.

HENRY EVERS ... .. Treble	DAVID ELLIOTT ... .. 4
ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... .. 2	ERNEST W. BECKWITH ... 5
WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. 3	WILLIAM ELLIOTT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

Quickest peal on the bells. Rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Elliott, of Kelvedon, who were married at St. Mary's, May 18th, 1872.

HOUGHTON REGIS, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Double Court and six 720's of Bob Minor, each called differently. Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr.

*BERT F. CALCOTT ... .. Treble	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 4
ALBERT FLEET ... .. 2	†GEORGE HELEY... .. 5
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 3	ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... Tenor

Conducted by A. E. SHARMAN.

\* First peal. † First peal of Minor. B. F. Calcott is a member of the local band and is the first Houghton Regis man to ring a peal.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the Performer.

Witness: GEORGE JORDAN.

This composition, a new one, is now tapped for the first time.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5091 CHANCES;**

Tenor size 18 in G.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 7-8
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9-10	

Composed by E. BENNETT. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The Second Session of the Eleventh Council (29th annual meeting) will be held in the Chapter House, The Cathedral, Lincoln, on Whitsun Tuesday, 6th June, 1922, at 11 a.m. precisely.

The morning sitting will be adjourned from 1 p.m. till 2.30, from which hour the Council will sit, if necessary, until 5.30 p.m.

The Standing Committee will meet previously at 9.45 a.m. in the same room.

### AGENDA, 1922.

1. Minutes of the last Meeting.
  2. Apologies for Absence.
  3. Statement of Accounts and of Sale of Publications.
  4. Election of Honorary Members.
  5. Presentation of new Members to the President.
  6. To receive and discuss the Reports of the following Committees, viz.:—
    - (a) Peal Collection.
    - (b) Literature and Press.
    - (c) Legitimate Methods.
    - (d) Peals' Analysis.
    - (e) Towers and Belfries.
    - (f) Records.
  7. That it is desirable to establish in the area of each Ringing Association a Bell Restoration Fund, from which grants may be made for the restoration of any rings of bells within the area when local funds are insufficient to meet the cost.
  8. To call attention to a point in connection with Holt's peals of Grandsire Triples.
  9. That the Council draw up a card of instructions on the Care and Use of Bells suitable for hanging in a Tower.
  10. That every Tower should be officially affiliated to some one Society, and only one.
  11. That the Council consider the advisability and practicability of proving and recording all new compositions, before being rung or published.
  12. To move that a Committee be appointed in connection with the new exhibit upon Campanology, at the Science Museum, South Kensington.
  13. To fix the place of next year's meeting.
  14. Other business, if any.
- 155, Rushey Green, E. ALEXANDER YOUNG.  
Catford, London, S.E.6. Hon. Secretary.

### PEAL ATTEMPT AT SURFLEET.

#### To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In connection with the Central Council meeting at Lincoln, a peal attempt will be made at Surfleet (10) on Whitsun Monday. Anyone wishing to take part please communicate with me as early as possible, so that arrangements can be made. The time for starting will be fixed so that anyone wishing to leave for Lincoln that night may do so. If anyone wishes to stay the night at Surfleet, I will do my best to obtain comfortable lodgings for him.

—Yours, etc., E. RICHARDSON.  
Surfleet, Spalding.

### RINGING ARRANGEMENTS—A SUGGESTION.

Sir,—As the Central Council accepted the invitation to Lincoln this year, allow me to express the hope that ample opportunity will be given for ringing on the interesting bells of that city, after the meeting on Whit-Tuesday. It sometimes happens that most of the ringing arranged benefits only those whose circumstances permit them to be on the spot for the week-end. It should be remembered that there are others, who can only arrive late on Monday evening, or just in time for the meeting on Tuesday. It is on Tuesday evening that the fullest facilities are needed.—Yours, etc.

ONE OF THEM.

### BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the Biggleswade district was held at Arlesey on Saturday, April 29th, and members were very pleased to welcome visitors from Hitchin, Barton-le-Clay, and Tring. Twenty-two sat down to an excellent tea and Mr. W. Inskip presided at the business meeting, which followed, at which members were present from Clifton, Biggleswade, Northill, Sandy, Roxton, Everton, Potton.

Five new members were elected (four ringing and one honorary), and Everton was chosen for the next meeting.

The usual vote of thanks was passed.

The tower was again visited, and some good practice ringing done, the methods including Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob Minor and Grandsire Doubles, for the benefit of learners.

## THE FOUR SHIRES GUILD.

The half-yearly meeting of the Four Shires Guild took place at St. Mary's Church, Ilmington, on Saturday, April 29th, when about 60 members and friends were present, from Shipston Moreton-in-Marsh, Chipping Campden Blockley, Willersey, Tredington, Ilmington, and the local tower. The visitors were welcomed to this old-world village by merry touches on the bells by the home team.

A competition took place between the various companies in raising and falling, call changes and method ringing, the first prize being the challenge shield of the Guild, which was awarded to the team getting the greatest number of points. Certificates were given to the teams winning the various events.

Willersey was an easy winner of the shield by securing (out of possible 100 points), for raising and falling, 92 points; call changes, 98 points; method ringing, 97 points. Shipston-on-Stour was second, with raising and falling, 80 points; call changes, 92 points; method ringing, 96 points. Moreton-in-Marsh was third, with raising and falling, 82 points; call changes, 92 points; method ringing, 90 points. The home team are not allowed to compete on their own bells, but they are given the average number of points on the day's ringing.

The ringing was ably judged by Messrs. E. Pardon, of Stow-on-the-Wold, and W. Large, of Todenham.

After the competition service took place in the church, the officiating clergy being the Rev. J. Tucker, Rector-in-charge, Mr. T. E. Boyd Wilson, and the Rev. W. E. Guerrier, Vicar of Ebbington.

The Rev. W. E. Guerrier preached an impressive sermon on the various uses of English church bells, and pointed out that the first use of the bells was to call the people to worship God in His house.

A splendid meat tea, provided by the home ringers and friends in the village, was partaken in the C.E. Schools, after which the business meeting was held.

The Secretary presented his annual report, which was adopted. Certificates of merit won at Moreton-in-Marsh at the last meeting were presented by Mrs. W. Gardner, to Ilmington, for raising and falling, and to Chipping Campden, for call changes, while Shipston-on-Stour retained the shield, having obtained the greatest total of points.

Votes of thanks were given to all who assisted in any way to make the meeting a success, and this brought a very pleasant day to a close.

This is the first meeting of the Guild at Ilmington where there is a grand ring of bells, with a tenor of 20 cwt. in E, which has recently been augmented to six by Messrs. Bond, of Burford, with a new 'Victory and Peace' bell, and it is considered to be the finest six bell peal in the district.

A fact worthy of record is that when it was proposed to raise funds to add the new treble to this ring of bells six ringers of Ilmington, who are chiefly farm labourers, came forward with one-quarter of the cash required to pay for the bell. This fact might be taken to heart by other ringers, who, when they require new bells, or their bells rehung or repaired, should be prepared to make a sacrifice themselves, and then they will find that others will respond in a like spirit.

## LEEDS & DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the above society was held on Saturday, April 29th, at Leeds Parish Church. The bells were rung during the afternoon and evening to Stedman and Grandsire.

The business meeting was held in the Royal Oak, members being present from Armley, Guisely, Rawmarsh and Wortley, near Sheffield, St. Chad's, Headingley; Mirfield, Holbeck, Pudsey, and the local company.

The President (Mr. Peacock) was in the chair, and the officers for the ensuing year were elected as nominated at the Armley meeting. Mr. C. B. Lawson, of 10, Leather Street, Leeds, succeeding Mr. M. Moorhouse as hon. secretary.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the hon. auditors for their kindness in drawing up the balance sheet, also to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and the local company for the arrangements.—Mr. M. Smith responded, bringing the business to a close. Afterwards the handbells were brought into use.

## NORWICH & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Halesworth District of the Norwich and Ipswich Association was held at Wissett on April 29th, there being present representatives from Beccles, Wrentham, Henham, Chediston, Alderburgh, Bungay, Kessingland, Brampton Halesworth, Holton, and Wissett. Tea was kindly provided by the Rector and churchwardens, and, to save time, the business of the meeting was carried on while tea was being served.

The ringing during the afternoon and evening consisted of touches of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, and Plain Bob, and some good striking was heard.

Thanks were accorded to the Rector and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and for providing the ringers with a splendid tea.

This is the first district meeting arranged by the new secretary (Mr. Walter Kerrieon), who is to be congratulated upon the success attained.

**THE SUFFOLK CONTROVERSY.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—As I have no wish to quarrel with Mr. Evans, I am quite ready to withdraw the statements he objects to. What he says in his letter appears to be quite correct, except his fairy tale about 'coercion'; and I trust he does not mean to sing the dirge of his society when he speaks of 'our funeral'!

My reason for speaking of the 'Norwich' Association is brevity.

Mr. Evans says he has not come across a single case of my attempting to do things that have been thwarted by our Norfolk members. He was at the last annual meeting at Norwich, when I brought forward a proposal to alter the rule prescribing the qualification for membership. I pointed out that the awkward way it had been worded had excluded over a dozen ringers from one tower for three years from joining as full members. A ringer who lives in Norwich said that the Association was not for such towers as that, but for towers where there was a full band of qualified ringers, or words to that effect. The other Norfolk men present agreed, and my proposal was thrown out. This also provides the answer to Mr. Evans' query as to my attitude to the old Association. It is that the new society is to do the work of banding together the towers which, when it was formed, were excluded from the old society. It is to supplement and not to supplant the old society; and I am quite sure that it will cause the numbers of the latter to increase. I have always taken every opportunity of dissuading anyone from leaving the old society. As I have said ever since, the diocese was divided: there is room for two societies in Suffolk.

'Poaching' means taking what someone else has a right to, without his knowledge. The new Association took no subscriptions in East Suffolk until after the joint conference between the two societies, which was on that very point. The old society proposes to infringe on the old Ely Association's ground, without consulting the Ely Association. If what Mr. Evans says is correct it has been poaching there for 20 years. The sooner, therefore, that it puts itself in a more correct position the better.—Yours etc.,

H. DRAKE.

Ufford Rectory, Woodbridge, Suffolk.

Dr. David, the Bishop of the Suffolk Diocese, has decided that the name of the new society shall be 'The Saint Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association of Ringers.'

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.****PRESTON BRANCH.**

A very successful meeting was held at Penwortham on May 13th, about 50 members being present. The bells were raised shortly after 3, and well utilised till 5 p.m. An adjournment was then made to the old school, where tea had been kindly provided by the Vicar and local ringers. Unfortunately a prior engagement prevented the Vicar from attending, but he sent his good wishes for the success of the meeting. At the close a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the providers of such a bountiful tea; also to the ladies who waited at the tables.—Mr. J. R. Taylor suitably responded, on behalf of the authorities of Penwortham Church, but the ladies smilingly declined to make a speech.

After the removal of the cloth, the business meeting was held, and a vote of condolence was accorded to the widow and family of the late Mr. John Bateman, members present standing in silence.—Two new members were elected, and the question of a peal book for the branch was left over till the next meeting.

The proceedings closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman, and the tower was again visited for further ringing. In addition to members of the Preston branch visitors were present from Blackburn, Churchkirk, Standish and Parbold. The methods rung during the day were London Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent and Bob Minor.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****A 'SURPRISE' MEETING.**

A Surprise meeting was held at Sevenoaks on Saturday, May 20th, and was attended by about a dozen enthusiasts, three hailing from Tunbridge Wells, one from Mersham, and the remainder from the London area. The bells were set going about 3.30 p.m., to Superlative, which was successfully brought home. Flushed by success, London was tackled, and in spite of one or two abortive efforts two plain courses were rung. Then followed a course of Cambridge and an excellent course of Superlative. During a halt for tea, skeleton courses of Bristol were feverishly consulted. Returning to the tower, strenuous efforts were made to ring a course to complete the quartet, but without success. In spite of this disappointment a very pleasant and instructive afternoon was spent, and it is hoped that it may be the precursor of others. It is proposed to hold another similar meeting at Edenbridge, in July, of which due notice will be given in 'The Ringing World.'

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,****LOUGHBOROUGH.****THE****LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. Sam Thomas has resigned the hon. secretaryship of the Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society, and the duties have been undertaken by the Rev. J. F. Amies, of the Clergy House, Chesterfield.

Mr. Herbert Holmes, of Market Deeping, scored his first peal on May 6th, when he rang a working bell to ten different methods. Has a 'first pealer' ever done this before?

## A UNIQUE PERFORMANCE.

What must be a unique performance was set up at Kelvedon, Essex, on Saturday. A peal of Minor was rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Elliott, the same band, with the exception of Mr. A. Saunders, having rung a peal of Minor on the same bells for the silver wedding 25 years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott reside in the house which was the birthplace of the late Rev. C. H. Spurgeon, and here, after the peal last week, they entertained the band, from whom they received hearty congratulations.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

### MEETING AT CHISWICK.

On Saturday, May 20th, the Southern District of the London County Association held a meeting at the Parish Church of St. Nicholas, Chiswick. The ringers hailed from Camberwell, Chertsey, Fulham, Chelsea, Putney, Kensington, Marlow, Slough, Willesden, Walton-on-Thames, etc. The bells were ringing merrily between the hours of 4 and 7.30 to Graudsire Triples, Stedman Triples, Double Norwich Court Bob Major, Treble Bob Major, and Cambridge Surprise Major. The 'go' of the bells was pronounced to be excellent.

Tea was taken in the Parish Hall arranged by Mr. Churchwarden Thurley. The Master of the Association (Mr. T. H. Taffender) occupied the chair, supported by the acting honorary secretary (Mr. H. Mance), Mr. John Carter, and other well known ringers.

Councillor Sidney Godfrey, in according a hearty welcome to the ringers, said that Chiswick was honoured by the visit of such experts in the ringing world. He deplored the ignorance of the general public in the art of campanology and the lack of interest in so excellent a physical and mental exercise. He hoped that the local ringers would emulate the enthusiasm and the expertness shown that afternoon, and that when next the Association visited Chiswick they would find the hall filled with local talent.

After the initiation of new members, arrangements were made for further meetings of the Association during the year. — A vote of thanks was heartily accorded the Vicar of Chiswick for the use of the bells, and Mr. Sidney Godfrey for the arrangements made. Among the ringers who rang during the afternoon were Miss Shorter and Mrs. Hessey. The gathering was a great success.

## DEATH OF A TONBRIDGE RINGER.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. George H. Stonestreet, who passed away on the 28th ult., at the age of 54. He had been a member of the Tonbridge Parish Church band for upwards of 30 years. During this long period he rarely missed an attendance for Sunday services, and was one of the most enthusiastic of ringers. He had been ill for about three months suffering from a painful malady, which he bore with courage and fortitude, and much sympathy is felt with Mrs. Stonestreet and her daughter in their bereavement.

Mr. Stonestreet was senior partner in the firm of Stonestreet and Sons, printers and stationers, and, although a busy man, he interested himself in various local institutions. As an Oddfellow, at the time of his death he was N.G. of 'The Town of Tonbridge' Lodge (having previously passed through the chairs some years ago). He had been for many years connected with the Juvenile Oddfellows, succeeding his father as secretary about 15 years ago. During the war he acted as secretary of the female branch, and for 10 years he served as honorary secretary for the Tonbridge Friendly Societies' Association for Medical Benefit.

Mr. Stonestreet had represented Oddfellowship on several town committees, including the War Memorial Committee and the Housing Bonds Committee. He also took part in the formal opening of the first local municipal houses.

The funeral took place on Wednesday, May 3rd, the first portion of the service being held in Tonbridge Parish Church and was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Stuart H. Clark), assisted by the Rev. S. Hutchinson. The bells were rung half-muffled as the funeral cortege was approaching the church by Messrs. Charles Cooke, John Chivers (aged 88), T. Groombridge, senr., F. Groombridge, W. J. Wolfe, W. Latter, W. Steed and Jas. Draper, and a course of Graudsire Triples on handbells was rung at the graveside by T. Groombridge, senr., 1-2, F. Groombridge 3-4, W. Latter 5-6 and W. Steed 7-8. During the evening a peal of Graudsire Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled, as recorded elsewhere.

Mr. Stonestreet had rung a considerable number of peals in the Standard methods but no record of these is available. He will be sadly missed in the tower amongst the bells he loved so well, and where his good striking, quiet sense of humour and happy disposition made him a general favourite.



# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

handbells, 31; on the bells, 62; after addition or re-hanging, 21; in the method on the bells, 183.

First peal as conductor, numbered 54, the methods rung being Doubles 12, Minor 11, Grandsire Triples 15, Stedman Triples 3, Bob Major 3, Treble Bob Major 7, Granta Variation 1 Superlative Major 1, and Grandsire Caters 1.

We also find first peals of Doubles 22, Minor 65, Triples 35, Major 91, Caters 67, Royal 38, Cinques 14, and Maximus 12. Of particular methods 24 are recorded as ringing their first peal 'in the method' in Doubles, 133 in different numbers of methods of Minor, 151 in different Triple methods, 580 in Major methods, 73 Caters, 86 Royal, 27 Cinques, and 39 Maximus, making a total of 1,113. First in the method inside numbered 85.

Of new methods we find Yorkshire Surprise Royal, Plain and Medium Bob Royal on handbells, Gonville Variation of Treble Bob (on handbells), Granta Variation (on tower bells) besides a peal of Minor in 18 methods, and one in 24 (!) methods; also a peal of Stedman Caters on handbells by five brothers. The occasions of peals were much as usual, one novelty being a peal for the Festival (sic) of Advent.

The conductors of five peals and upwards are shown in the following list. Figures in brackets show the number of handbell peals conducted: 42 peals A. H. Pulling (32); 35 peals, G. H. Cross (3); 32 peals, W. Pye; 31 peals, C. F. Bailey (11); 27 peals, W. H. J. Hooton (20); 25 peals, R. Sperring; 23 peals, E. Morris; 22 peals, G. Williams; 21 peals, F. Bennett; 20 peals, R. Richardson (8); 19 peals, K. Hart; 18 peals, J. E. Sykes; 17 peals, E. Jenkins, T. H. Taffender (5), J. Thomas (5); 15 peals, C. T. Coles; F. H. Dexter, G. F. Swann (8); 14 peals, R. Matthews, A. Walker (10); 13 peals, A. E. Edwards, W. O. Rumsey, A. Tomlinson; 12 peals, F. W. Naunton (1), G. R. Newton; 11 peals, E. M. Atkins (7), O. W. Clarke, J. T. Dyke, J. Lord, O. Sippetts, J. W. Washbrook, senr.; 10 peals, T. Groombridge, senr., S. H. Symonds (5); 9 peals, F. Borrett, C. Camm, C. Edwards, C. E. Fisher, E. C. Gobe, J. E. Groves (5), C. R. Lilley (3), W. Poston (2); 8 peals, W. E. Bason (3), N. R. Bailey, F. Chamberlain, Rev. H. L. James (4), J. Mott, W. Page (1), H. J. Poole; 7 peals, W. H. Barber (1), J. A. Gofion (3), T. T. Gofion (2), J. Houldsworth, G. R. Jones, W. Keeble (2), B. A. Knights, R. G. Knowles, H. Langdon (2), J. D. Matthews (2); 6 peals, G. Billenness, H. J. Chaffey, J. H. Cheesman, R. F. Deal, J. Fernley, H. Hall, A. Knights, W. T. Last, R. C. Lovoday, J. Monk, F. Skevington, L. J. Williams, C. F. Winney (1), A. Wright; 5 peals, W. J. Allen, J. Austin, W. Ayre (1), E. Barnett, senr., G. Cattermole, G. T. Croft, A. Dean, L. A. Goodenough, T. Groombridge, junr. (1), R. Howard, H. Knight, H. Mance, J. Oldham, A. Panther, G. R. Pye, N. Spindlow, T. Tebbutt, S. Thomas, A. H. Ward, W. Welling, J. H. W. White.

There were also 34 conductors of four peals, 49 of three peals, 71 of two peals, and 227 of one peal. All the band took part in conducting two peals one of Minor and one of Doubles; one peal of Doubles had two conductors; one peal of Grandsire Triples was rung non-conducted, and one peal of Stedman Triples was published without the conductor's name.

Six peals of above 7,000 changes were rung; a peal of 10,043 Grandsire Caters by the Oxford Diocesan Guild, 8,336 College Single Major by the Yorkshire Association, 7,488 Plain Bob Major by the Central Northants Association, 7,360 Treble Bob Major by the Suffolk County Association, 7,104 Treble Bob Major by the Norwich and Ipswich Association, and 7,011 Stedman Caters by the Middlesex Association.

Of the 178 peals of Treble Bob Major on tower bells, 138 were rung in the Kent Variation 33 in the Oxford Variation other variations being mentioned in the footnotes to the Analysis. Of the handbell peals 6 were in the Kent and 2 in the Oxford Variation.

The peals rung month by month in 1920 and 1921 are shown below:

	1920	1921		1920	1921
January	133	154	July	90	79
February	114	104	August	123	114
March	81	125	September	105	112
April	131	148	October	141	155
May	133	140	November	169	176
June	93	97	December	157	230
<b>Total</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>769</b>		<b>785</b>	<b>863</b>

The total number of peals rung year by year since 1881 is as follows:—

1881...156	1888...759	1895...765	1902...1313	1909...1628	1916...217
1882...244	1889...707	1896...701	1903...1460	1910...1725	1917...190
1883...330	1890...599	1897...505	1904...1612	1911...1739	1918...377
1884...419	1891...878	1898...1069	1905...1519	1912...2329	1919...1048
1885...500	1892...802	1899...912	1906...1318	1913...2359	1920...1471
1886...556	1893...705	1900...924	1907...1339	1914...1415	1921...1632
1887...846	1894...860	1901...1194	1908...1474	1915...929	

Grand Total, 41,012.

#### MINOR METHODS.

At the Council meeting in 1921, it was decided that the names claimed for all unnamed Minor methods in the Collection should be sent to the Librarian within six months, after which the Analysis Committee should proceed to name the remainder.

The Librarian's list which we have received, however goes beyond the six months, which expired on November 17th, 1921. Names were accepted for Nos. 20, 21, 27 Plain methods, and No. 33 Third's Place Delight at dates between December 19th, 1921, and January 31st, 1922. Of these No. 21 has long been known as Cumberland, and No. 27 is called in both 'the Clavis' and 'Shipway,' Stedman Slow Course, the name which is given in the Collection to No. 9. The Collection differs also in several other cases from Monk's Art of Ringing, 'the Clavis' and 'Shipway.' Possibly the compilers may have had some earlier source of information which has not come to us; but if not, the principle of priority of use would seem to settle the matter. These points are, however, outside the limits of the reference to the Analysis Committee, but we feel that this real difficulty should be removed.

In the hope that the whole subject may soon be taken in hand, so that an end may be put to the state of chaos which exists in the nomenclature of Minor methods, we leave these names alone and append a schedule showing the names which we have given to the rest of the unnamed methods.

We are in possession of a very large amount of research work concerning nomenclature, which has been done principally by a member of our Committee, and we should be ready to undertake this task if the Council so desires. In that case we should be governed by the principle of priority, and the advisability of retaining as much as possible, consistent with our present definitions, all that has been in use in the past.

It will be seen that the Committee, in giving new names, have given different classes of names, e.g., flowers, etc., to different classes of methods.

The Committee feel strongly that some central authority should be appointed to control nomenclature in the future and so prevent difficulties arising which may extend beyond Minor methods.

#### NAMES OF UNNAMED MINOR METHODS.

##### PLAIN METHODS—LAKES.

16. Killarney; 18. Loch Lomond; 22. Windermere.

##### TREBLE BOB METHODS—FLOWERS.

16. Shamrock; 17. Bluebell; 20. Daffodil; 21. Fuchsia; 22. Foxglove; 23. Hyacinth; 24. Marigold; 27. Dahlia; 28. Geranium.

##### FOURTH'S PLACE DELIGHT METHODS—ABBEYS.

1. Evesham; 2. Tewkesbury; 22. Waltham; 29. Glastonbury; 30. Tintern; 31. Sherborne; 32. Fountains; 33. Melrose.

##### THIRD'S PLACE DELIGHT METHODS—CASTLES.

3. Conway; 4. Carnarvon; 5. Ludlow; 6. Warwick; 7. Kenilworth; 9. Edinboro'; 21. Stirling; 23. Richborough; 24. Conisboro'; 32. Belvoir; 41. Fotheringhay; 42. Dover.

E. W. CARPENTER, Kingerby Vicarage, Lincoln.

A. T. REESTON, New Mills, Stockport.

GEORGE WILLIAMS, West End, Southampton.

#### HANDBELL PEALS.

	MAXIMUS.		CINQUES.		ROYAL.		CATERS.		MAJOR.		TRIPLES.			
	Treble Bob	Stedman	Treble Bob	Plain Bob	Stedman	Grandsire	London Surprise	Treble Bob	Double Norwich	Plain Bob	Stedman	Grandsire	MINOR.	DOUBLES.
Points per Peal.	18	32	16	12	28	10	50	12	16	8	24	7	—	Total Peals.
Anc. Soc. College Youths	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	5
Bedfordshire Association	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Cambridge University	—	—	1(a)	1	—	1	—	4(c)	4	9(d)	—	—	—	20
Central Northants	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Durham and Newcastle	—	2	—	—	3	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
Ely & S. Edmundsbury	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	17
Hereford Diocesan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	10(d)	—	—	—	5
Lincoln Diocesan	—	—	1(b)	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	19
London County	—	2	—	—	3	—	—	—	1	10	2	1	—	19
Middlesex County	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	6
Norwich and Ipswich	—	2	—	2	9	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	18
Royal Cumberland Youths	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
S. Martin's Birmingham	2	15	2	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	24
Salop Archidiaconal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Suffolk County	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	8	—	—	2	8
Survey Association	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	13
Winchester Diocesan	—	—	—	3	5	2	—	—	—	2	2	13	—	27
Worcestershire	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	3
Yorkshire Association	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	1	—	—	5
Independent Societies	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2
Total	2	25	4	11	29	4	2	11	7	44	8	18	8	181
														2925

(a) Plain and Medium. (b) Granta Variation. (c) Gonville, Granta and Cam. Variations. (d) One Little Bob.



## (1) PEALS OF MINOR.

No. of Methods.	TOWER BELLS.									Total Peals	Total Points
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
Bedfordshire .....	2	—	—	—	1	—	12	—	—	15	173
Central Northants ..	5	—	1	—	—	—	7	1	—	14	134
Chester Diocesan ..	1	1	2	3	—	—	2	—	—	11	204
Devonshire .....	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	12
Ely & St. Edmundsbury ..	3	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	6	36
Essex County .....	—	—	1	1	1	1	6	—	—	10	174
Gloucester & Bristol ..	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	6
Hereford Diocesan ..	3	—	—	1	2	—	3	—	1	10	88
Hertfordshire .....	—	1	—	—	3	—	5	—	—	9	88
Kent County .....	1	—	1	2	1	—	6	—	—	11	109
Lancashire .....	9	—	2	3	1	—	2	—	—	17	160
Lincoln Diocesan ..	5	2	2	5	—	1	1	—	—	17	117
London County .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	35
Middlesex County ..	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	13
Midland Counties ..	8	1	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	15	92
North Notts .....	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	10
Norwich & Ipswich ..	3	1	13	3	5	2	13	—	—	40	445
Oxford Diocesan .....	—	1	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	4	45
Peterborough .....	1	—	3	2	1	1	2	—	—	10	86
Salisbury Diocesan ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5
Salop Archidiaconal ..	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	12
Stoke Archidiaconal ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	3	75
Suffolk County .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	14
Surrey Association ..	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	10
Sussex County .....	6	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	8	44
Warwickshire .....	2	—	—	2	—	—	7	—	—	11	121
Winchester Diocesan ..	—	—	—	—	2	—	4	—	—	6	65
Worcestershire & Dist.	2	—	—	1	2	—	11	—	—	16	180
Yorkshire Assoc. ....	—	—	2	—	—	—	11	—	—	13	201
Independent Societies ..	5	1	3	—	—	—	1	—	—	10	63
<b>Total</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2807</b>

\* One 17 methods, two 18, one 19, one 24.

## (2) PEALS OF DOUBLES.

No. of Methods.	TOWER BELLS.							Total Peals	Total Points
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
Bath & Wells .....	4	2	1	1	—	—	—	8	29
Bedfordshire .....	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	7
Central Northants ..	6	1	—	1	—	—	—	8	27
Chester Diocesan .....	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	4
Devonshire Guild ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	6
Ely & St. Edmundsbury ..	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	7
Essex County .....	1	1	—	2	—	—	—	4	17
Gloucester and Bristol ..	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	3	12
Hereford Diocesan ..	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	4	13
Hertfordshire .....	—	—	—	1	—	2	2	5	23
Kent County .....	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3
Lincoln Diocesan .....	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3
Midland Counties ..	4	6	5	2	1	—	—	18	71
Norwich & Ipswich ..	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	4
Oxford Diocesan .....	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	7
Salop Archidiaconal ..	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	8
Stafford Archidiaconal ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	6
Suffolk County .....	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	8
Sussex County .....	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	15
Worcestershire & Dist.	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	9
Independent Societies ..	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	4	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>298</b>

## (3) MINOR AND DOUBLES.

No. of Methods.	HANDBELLS.						Total Peals	Total Points
	MINOR			DOUBLES				
	1	2	3	4	5	6		
Ely & St. Edmundsbury ..	3	—	—	—	—	—	3	15
Hereford Diocesan .....	2	—	—	1	1	1	5	26
Salop Archidiaconal .....	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	4
Suffolk County .....	2	1	—	1	—	—	4	19
Surrey Association .....	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	5
Independent Societies .....	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	10
Total	8	1	1	4	1	1	16	79

## BRISTOL RINGER'S LOSS.

Many ringers in various parts of the country will hear with feeling of deep regret of the loss sustained by Mr. Jesse B. Tyler, in the death of his wife, Amy Elizabeth, at the age of 42, the sad event taking place on Thursday, May 18th. Mrs. Tyler had not been really well for some considerable time, but it was only seven weeks ago that the illness took a serious turn, and the doctor's verdict, 'rapid consumption,' was comparatively soon followed by the inevitable end. The deceased was interred in the family grave at Thornbury, Glos., on Monday, May 22nd, and among the many floral tokens was a wreath from the Bristol Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, who, at their meeting on Saturday last, passed a vote of condolence with Mr. Tyler.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**PETERBOROUGH.**—For evensong, on May 21st, at the Parish Church, a date touch of Bob Major (1,922 changes), in 1 hour 14 minutes: W. Cross, junr., 1 T. Vaughan 2, S. Wright 3, W. Cross, senr., 4, F. Davis 5, H. Beechey 6, F. Cooke 7, T. Tebbutt (conductor) 8.

**FULHAM.**—On Sunday, May 21st, for evening service, in 53 mins., 1,299 Stedman Caters: J. W. Driver 1, H. A. Folkard 2, A. Cutmore 3, W. H. Hollier 4, G. Iles 5, R. A. Watts (first quarter-peal on ten bells) 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, W. E. Elson 8, A. Cutmore 9, G. E. F. Edwards 10.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, May 21st, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 50 mins.: A. H. Fulwell 1, E. G. Hibbins, Cambridge (conductor), 2, J. E. Churchill 3, L. H. Page 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, F. W. Goodfellow 7, F. S. Palmer, senr., 8. The bells were half-muffled, owing to the death of one of the churchwardens, Mr. W. J. Ordish, who had held office for 16 years.

**HESTON.**—On May 21st, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): Percy Rose (first quarter-peal) 1, C. S. Bird 2, H. A. Folkard 3, C. I. Edwards 4, H. C. Chandler 5, A. Harding 6, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 7, A. Lewis 8.

**VANCOUVER, B.C.**—On Sunday, April 23rd, for evening service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 39 mins.: A. King 1, A. C. Limpus 2, Geo. Roberts 3, Alfred P. Goddard 4, Jack Powell 5, W. Sampson 6, John Parkinson (conductor) 7, Farrington Jones 8.

**MELTON MOWBRAY.**—On Easter Day, at the Parish Church, for morning service, 686 Grandsire Triples: J. Gilson 1, A. H. Bartram 2, S. Huddleston 3, J. R. Bartram 4, E. Bartram, M.M., 5, W. Chandler 6, W. James 7, R. Young 8, R. H. Bartram 9, G. Robinson 10. Longest length by A. H. Bartram age 17. Also for evening service, a 420 Stedman Triples, with 6, 8, 10 covering: A. H. Bartram 1, Syd. Huddleston 2, J. R. Bartram 3, Ernest Bartram, M.M., 4, F. Shepherd 5, R. Freeman 6, W. James 7, R. Young 8, R. H. Bartram (conductor) 9, G. Robinson 10. First touch of Stedman on the bells by an entirely local band.—On Sunday, April 23rd, for morning and evening services, the same touch of Stedman Triples.

**RAWMARSH, YORKSHIRE.**—On Sunday, April 23rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes), in 49 mins., half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late verger, Mr. Samuel Marshall, who passed away on Easter Day. He was verger at Rawmarsh Parish Church 41 years: S. Thomas (conductor) 1, F. C. Wilson 2, A. Mitchell 3, A. G. Stocks 4, E. Pammenter 5, T. Cooper 6, T. Winchcombe 7, H. K. White 8.

**GOOLE, YORKS.**—On Sunday, April 23rd, at the Parish Church, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: W. Stevenson (first 720, aged 14) 1, H. Drake (first inside) 2, L. Drake 3, H. Waud 4, C. Hill 5, M. Tate (conductor) 6, J. Drake 8 (covering).

**BURLEIGH, STAFF.**—On Sunday, April 23rd, for evening service at the Parish Church, 720 of Grandsire Doubles: H. Box 1, P. Kelsall (first 720) 2, A. Lees 3, T. Hurd 4, T. Hilditch (conductor) 5, F. Shuker (first 720) 6.

## NEW RING OF SIX IN KENT.

## OPENING OF BELLS AT SMARDEN.

The 'old-fashioned world-worn village,' as Smarden is aptly described by a writer on the history of Kent, was the scene of great rejoicing on Thursday evening, May 11th, when the new ring of six bells were dedicated by the Rector (the Rev. H. L. Evans), assisted by clergy from the neighbouring parishes.

Interest in the matter was evidenced by the goodly number of parishioners gathered together in the 'barn of Kent,' as the church is called on account of the roof being built in one wide span. However, thoughts that the roof might fall in never entered the hearts of the villagers gathered there, as the sweet tone of the restored bells, heard in rounds, rung by the local ringers, fell upon their ears after the dedication. After this the bells were given up to change ringing, and a well-struck 720 of Kent Treble Bob was brought round by Louis Newman 1, Henry Castle 2, Chas. H. Sone 3, Frederick S. Macey (conductor) 4, Harry Parkes 5, Thos. E. Sone 6. Touches in various methods were rung by visiting ringers until nine o'clock, when the bells were lowered in peal by the local men.

The new bells, which form a memorial for those from the village who fell in the war, are the outcome of a fund started many years ago to rehange the old five—a scheme which was suspended owing to the war. However, all things come to those who wait, and Smarden now possesses a peal of bells worthy of the grand old church in which they hang.

The work of recasting has been admirably carried out by Mr. A. Bowell of Ipswich, who, from the old heavy peal of five (tenor 20½ cwt.), has produced a fine ring of six, as follows: Treble, 6 cwt. 0 qr. 5 lb.; 2, 6 cwt. 2 qr. 0 lb.; 3, 7 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb.; 4, 9 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb.; 5, 13 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb.; tenor, 18 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in E. the total weight being 3 ton 3 cwt. 3 lb.

Ringers, one and all, were unanimous in their opinion that the 'go' is excellent, and that the tone of the bells far exceeded all expectations.

F. S. M.

**BANK HOLIDAY MEETINGS.**

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the Association will be held at Northampton on Whit Monday, June 5th. Committee meeting at 11.15 a.m. in St. Giles' Vestry. Service in St. Giles' Church at 12.15 p.m. Luncheon at Cinema Cafe, Market Square, at 1.15 p.m. at 2/6 per head, to all those who notify Mr. S. J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Rd., Northampton, by Tuesday, May 30th. Bells available, St. Giles' (10), St. Peter's (8), St. Edmund's (8), St. Sepulchre's (8), All Saints' (8).—David J. Nichols, Gen. Sec., 3, York Road, Kettering.

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Northallerton on Whit Monday, June 5th. Committee meeting at 11 a.m. in Parker's Restaurant. Service in the Parish Church at 12 o'clock; all members and friends are invited to attend this service. Lunch will be provided at Parker's Restaurant at 1 o'clock, members 2/-, non-members 3/-; those intending to be at lunch must notify the Secretary not later than Wednesday, May 31st.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Annual General meeting at Ilfracombe Whit Monday, June 5th. Service at Parish Church 12.15. Dinner (2/6) and meeting at 4.5, High Street, at 1 o'clock.—E. S. Powell, Gen. Sec., Holbeton Vicarage, Plymouth.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Whit Monday meeting will be held at Darlington. Committee meeting at 12 noon in the 'Fleece' Hotel. Dinner at 1 o'clock; members 2s., non-members 3s. 6d. General meeting afterwards. The bells of St. Cuthbert's and Holy Trinity will be available for ringing during the day. All intending to be present please inform me not later than 30th May.—B. C. Dixon, Hon. Sec., 80, Fern Dene Road, Gateshead.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—The 43rd Annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit Monday, June 5th. 11.30 a.m., service at the Cathedral, with address by the Rev. C. Neill, vicar of Great Baddow. 12.15 p.m., meeting in Shire Hall. 1.30 p.m., lunch at Hick's Restaurant, High Street, members 2/- each. Towers open for ringing during day which can be reached by frequent bus service: Cathedral (12), Writtle (8), Widford (8), Galleywood (8), Boreham (8), Gt. Waltham (8), Springfield (6), Broomfield (6). No ringing permitted during service and meeting. It is most important that notice of intention to be present should be sent to the Hon. Sec. not later than 1st post previous Tuesday, May 30th.—Chas. H. Howard, Master; F. J. Pitstow, Gen. Sec. and Treas., 45, High Street, Saffron Walden.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting, Bristol, Whit Monday, June 5th. Management Committee meeting, St. Thomas Room, Victoria Street, 10.45 a.m. Service, St. Nicholas, Bristol Bridge, 12 noon. General business meeting, St. Philip's Schoolroom, Tower Hill, 2.15 p.m. Tea, St. Thomas Church lawn (if fine, if wet in Church Room), at 5.30, 1s. per member, 1s. 6d. all others. Bells available: St. Mary Redcliffe (12), 10.45-11.45; St. James' (10), 9.30-11; St. Nicholas' (10), 10.30-12; St. Stephen's (10), after tea; St. Philip's (8), 10-11 and 1-2; St. Mary-le-Port (8), 1-2; St. Matthew's (8), 9-10.30; St. Thomas's (8), 9.30-10.30; St. Michael's (6), 9-10.30.

Notice must be given for tea by May 31st to: Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Buckley on Whit Monday. Service at 2.30 p.m. Meeting at 3 p.m. Tea after meeting. Bells available at any time during day before and after meeting. All ringers welcome.—C. H. Jones, Hon. Sec., 33, Liverpool Road, Buckley.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A General meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch will be held at King's Lynn on Whit Monday, June 5th. The bells of St. Margaret's (10), St. Nicholas' (8) and Gaywood (6) will be available. No special luncheon will be provided, but members can obtain luncheon, at a quite moderate price, at the 'Globe' Hotel, Market Square, at 1 o'clock. Please notify to the General Secretary not later than Thursday, June 1st, if it is your intention to be present at the luncheon. The General Business meeting will be held at 2 o'clock in the Vestry of St. Nicholas' Church.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—A cycling tour has been arranged for Whit Monday, when, if fine, a visit will be paid to several six-bell towers in the Farnham area. Ringing cyclists who would like to join are welcome. Further particulars next week.—E. Raddon, Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual festival will be held at Hereford on Whit Monday, June 5th. Service in Cathedral at 12.15. Preacher, Rev. H. E. Wall. Dinner 2/6 at 1. Business meeting 2 p.m. Tea 1/6 at 6. Those intending to be present will kindly notify me on or before May 29th.—Rev. G. W. Turner, Hon. Sec., Madley Vicarage, Hereford.

**HANDBELLS FOR SALE.**

Beautiful set of 21 HANDBELLS for Sale. Price £10. — J. Ward, Latchmere, Worting Road, Basingstoke.

**PUBLICATION.**

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

**YORKSHIRE STONE.**

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.—St. Clement Danes, May 29th. Sundays at 10 a.m.—St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Near Slough.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The next Quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Sedgley, All Saints' Church, on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Guild service in church, conducted by the Vicar (Rev. T. G. Swindell, D.D.), at 5 o'clock. Tea in schoolroom at 5.45, 9d. per head. Business meeting afterwards.—Fred Colclough, Hon. Sec., 1, Earl Street, Bilston.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Stretford on Saturday, May 27th, instead of the 20th, as it is a more convenient date for the church authorities. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 p.m.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver St., Miles Platting.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at Chiddingstone on Saturday, May 27th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea at the Castle Inn at 5.45, 1/6 per head, followed by business meeting.—W. Latter, Hon. Dist. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—Alteration of Date.—The meeting at St. Mary's, Ealing, will be held on Saturday May 27th by permission of the Vicar, Rev. C. J. Sharp, who will entertain the members to tea after service. Visitors will be charged 1/- for tea. Tower open at 3 p.m. and a hearty welcome to all.—W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4.

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—A District meeting will be held at Chester-le-Street on Saturday, May 27th. Tower opens 3 p.m.—H. Tyson, Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Thornbury on Saturday, May 27th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 5. Short service at 7 o'clock.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—The May meeting will be held at Bennington on May 27th, when all who can come will be heartily welcomed. Tea will be provided by the new rector, Rev. W. E. Mills (son of the late Canon Mills), who has kindly offered to continue the welcome so long extended to the yearly gathering by his late father.—W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dist. Sec., Little Munden.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Bottesford on Saturday, May 27th. Ringing from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—A District meeting will be held at Cranleigh on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Ash on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Short service in church at 4.30.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, Haskington Terrace, Canterbury.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bromyard District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Bredenbury on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30.—A. Tomkins, Bredenbury, Bromyard.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Stoney Stanton on Saturday, May 27th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—Fred Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Sberburn-in-Elmet on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (8) available from 1 to 9 p.m. Tea in Church Hall at 5 p.m.—Business meeting afterwards.—A. B. Cook, Hon. Dist. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The usual Monthly meeting will be held at Guiseley on May 27th. Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Tower.—Charles E. Lawson, Hon. Sec., 10, Leather Street, Leeds.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch.—The Half-yearly meeting will be held at Ewerby on Saturday, May 27th, 1922. Bells (10) available afternoon and evening. Members travelling by train are advised to alight at Ruskington as the nearest station.—J. W. Seamer, Hon. Sec.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—A meeting will be held at Rawmarsh on Saturday, May 27th.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A District meeting will be held at Barley on Saturday, May 27th. Bells (6) afternoon and evening. Service, tea and meeting. All ringers heartily welcomed.—F. R. Bacon, Hon. Dist. Sec., 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. George's, Tyldesley, on Saturday, May 27th. Bells available 4 p.m.; meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Great Tey on Saturday, May 27th. Tea at 5.30. Anyone wishing to be at the tea, will they notify me before the 23rd instant?—R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec., 20, Claudius Road, Colchester.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1637).—A meeting for practice will be held at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on May 30th at 7.30 p.m. Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.**—The next Monthly Meeting will be held at Milnrow on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells ready at 3; meeting at 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—The Annual meeting of above branch will be held at Shenley on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than May 29th. The bells of Loughton will be available during the afternoon.—Walter Sear, Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service at 4. Tea at 5 and business meeting to follow.—Percy Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held at Bratton on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30; tea at 5. Short business meeting after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A Ringing meeting will be held at Leek on Saturday, June 3rd. Please notify me on or before May 29th how many intend to be present from your tower.—E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—Saturday, June 3rd, at Ecclesfield; bells available 3-9 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. for those who notify Mr. T. Kitson, 39, High Street, by Wednesday morning, May 31st.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Stowmarket District.—A meeting for practice will be held at Stowmarket on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells available from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.—E. E. Diaper, Dis. Sec., 6, Bury Road, Stowmarket.

**WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Gorseinon on Saturday, June 3rd. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 5.30, followed by tea. Ringers intending to be present kindly notify me by the 3rd inst.—Charles Moul, Sec., 2, Tycoch Road, Sketty, Swansea.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The next quarterly meeting, for ringing only, will be held at the Parish Church, Ulverston, on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (6) available at 1.30 p.m. All ringers welcomed.—W. T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—A ringing meeting will be held at Coppull on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (6) available any time after 2.30 p.m. Ringers are earnestly requested to turn up in large numbers and make the meeting a success.—J. Halsall, Branch Sec., 97, Platt Lane, Hindley.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Rotherfield on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available from 2 p.m.; service at 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. at the Memorial Hall (1/3 per head), followed by the business meeting. Will those proposing to attend kindly let me know by June 7th? A hearty welcome is extended to all ringers.—Geo. W. Stokes, Div. Hon. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Long Ashton, near Bristol, on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea at the Church House at 4.30, followed by a short meeting. All members and friends are invited to Evensong at 6 o'clock. Will those requiring tea let me know without fail by Tuesday, June 6th, as Long Ashton ringers have very kindly undertaken to arrange this?—Edith Smith, 23, Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### BIRTH.

**EDWARDS.**—On May 21st, at 2, Highfield, Portishead, Somerset, to Mr. and Mrs. William Edwards (née Nellie Gillingham), a son.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Clerk, ex-service (24), seeks situation: London or Warwick districts preferred (not essential). Experienced book-keeper, storekeeper, typist. Ring Surprise 8 bells. Accept low salary to get with good band. Excellent refs.—Box 4, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

#### MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

**BATHEASTON.**—Bath and Wells Association.—On Monday, March 27th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 50 mins.: J. Taylor 1, W. Cannings 2, F. Green 3, G. Janes (conductor) 4, J. Bell 5, C. W. Bell 6. Rung with the bells half-muffled at the conclusion of a memorial service for Commander Sealy, of the submarine H. 42, whose mother resides at Bathaston.—On Wednesday, March 29th, for Confirmation service, by the Bishop of Taunton, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: J. Taylor 1, W. Cannings 2, F. Green 3, G. Janes (conductor) 4, J. Bell 5, W. Scobell (first quarter of doubles) 6.—On Tuesday, April 4th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 49 mins.: F. Bearn 1, W. Cannings 2, F. Green 3, G. Janes (conductor) 4, J. Bell 5, C. W. Bell 6. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the eldest son of of the Tower Master (Mr. J. Taylor), whose funeral took place in the afternoon.

**WIDFORD, ESSEX.**—On Saturday, March 17th, for practice, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise (1,248 changes): A. Edwards 1, F. W. Edwards 2, T. Lincoln 3, J. Wood 4, J. Clark 5, C. Pease 6, W. Lincoln (conductor) 7, A. Head 8. First quarter by all in the method.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**

LIMITED.

**COVENTRY.**

**MAKERS SINCE 1730.**

### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

### CHEAP PRINTING.

PEAL CARDS, 3/6 doz. Report Books, Stationery, Balance Sheets, and all classes of General and Commercial Printing at lowest prices. Send stamped envelope for new price list of printing, and support your fellow ringers.

**GOOD BROS.**

34, PRESTONVILLE ROAD, BRIGHTON.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION...	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY	...	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods)	...	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	1	0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 88/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING **WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 585. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, JUNE 2nd, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



[The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.]

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### SUGGESTIONS FOR THE COUNCIL.

In addition to the matters specifically mentioned in the Central Council's agenda, there are one or two things which we hope will come before the meeting next Tuesday at Lincoln. One is the question of the official communication of the Council's resolutions to the affiliated bodies, when those resolutions are outside the purely private affairs of the central body. We have, on previous occasions, pointed out that although the Council may pass resolutions of importance to the Exercise, there is nothing in the rules or constitution which makes it necessary for the Council to inform the affiliated societies of any action taken. This is a weak link in the chain, and certainly detracts from the authority of the Council. It is true that in many cases representatives are called upon to report to their associations, but when an association happens—as does happen with some of them every year—not to have a representative present, there is no means of securing that a decision of the Council shall be transmitted to the affiliated body. Whether this defect in the machinery can be remedied without coming within the interpretation of an alteration of rules, of which one month's notice must be given, we do not know; but if it does, the recommendation of the Standing Committee, or an expression of opinion from the meeting, would overcome the difficulty for this year, and the matter could be more formally regulated by due notice next year. In any event, common sense dictates that the present rather absurd position should be altered.

Another matter which we hope will come up for decision is the question of the publication of the Plain Major methods. This work, which would be of great interest and use to the Exercise, has been delayed by the war and the subsequent high cost of printing; but if it is now found that the collection cannot be published as a whole, we commend to the Council our suggestion made long ago, that it might with advantage be published on the instalment plan, thus enabling the outlay on one section to be largely recovered before the next is embarked upon. At any rate, we hope something may be done, not only because it would be primarily in the interests of ringing, but also because it is a great pity that so much valuable work should be pigeon-holed and the labours of the Committee blanketed.

There is one other action which we should like to see taken by the Council. A great deal of trouble was taken to collect a list of all the ringers who fell in the war. That list, we presume, is now among the archives of the Council. We should like to see a resolution passed to have those names, with other particulars available, written on parchment, so that they may occupy an honoured place in the new library.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5079 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.	
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS... .. Treble	OLIVER NORMAN ... .. 6
*ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 2	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 7
JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 3	PERCY O. LAFLIN ... .. 8
GEORGE HUGHES ... .. 4	ALBERT WALKER ... .. 9
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 5	BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. GROVES. Conducted by A. E. NORMAN.

\* First peal on 10 tower bells as conductor. † First peal on 10 bells.

WALTHAMSTOW.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5043 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.	
GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. Treble	JAMES C. ADAMS... .. 6
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 2	*EDWARD D. SMITH ... .. 7
HAROLD A. EDWARDS ... .. 3	ALFRED PYE ... .. 8
†ARTHUR MASON ... .. 4	FRED C. MAYNARD ... .. 9
CECIL V. EBBERSON... .. 5	ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. Conducted by ARTHUR MASON.

\* First peal in the method away from the tenor. † First peal as conductor on 10 bells.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE PRO-CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. WOOLOS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERERS, 5021 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.	
ALFRED PARNELL ... .. Treble	WILLIAM PHILLIPS ... .. 6
FRANK J. BAILEY... .. 2	ALBERT J. PITMAN ... .. 7
FREDERICK VILES ... .. 3	JOHN W. JONES ... .. 8
CHARLES GREEDY ... .. 4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 9
HENRY WEST ... .. 5	LEWIS WRIGHT ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by FRED CHAMBERLAIN.

Arranged specially and rung as a railwaymen's peal, all the ringers being employees of the Great Western Railway Co. It was also a birthday peal for a son of the ringer of the 3rd.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

PENSHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.	
*ARTHUR H. MAYNARD ... .. Treble	†GEORGE EDWARDS ... .. 5
TOM SAUNDERS ... .. 2	†HARRY HARRINGTON ... .. 6
HARRY GOODWIN ... .. 3	CHARLES H. SONE ... .. 7
JAMES MAYNARD... .. 4	LEWIS NEWMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN HOWES. Conducted by C. H. SONE.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Bob Major. Peal 122 in C.C. Collection.

BURFORD, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 19 cwt.	
GEORGE HOLIFIELD ... .. Treble	JAMES S. NAPPER ... .. 5
WILFRED G. COOK ... .. 2	*BERT BISHOP ... .. 6
RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 3	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN. ... 7
JAMES BUTLER ... .. 4	FRED WHITE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN.

\* First peal, and belongs to local band. The ringer of the second, who hails from Cirencester, was elected a member of the Guild.

**ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION**  
 (SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6162 CHANGES;**  
 Tenor 16½ cwt.

BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... Treble	*PERCY JERVIS ... 5
*GEORGE M. THORPE ... 2	†SIDNEY BRIGGS ... 6
*HARRY GREAVES ... 3	WILLIAM BIGGIN ... 7
ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... 4	A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by B. A. KNIGHTS.

\* First peal of Oxford. † First peal of Treble Bob.

**FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

CLER.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. Treble	ERNEST E. LANHAM ... 5
GEORGE WHITING ... 2	GEORGE W. ABLITT ... 6
GEORGE PRYKE ... 3	WILLIAM T. LAST ... 7
GEORGE BENNETT ... 4	GEORGE FARNISH ... Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by CLER.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M.

Arranged to oblige the conductor, who was home on week-end leave.

**HARFENDEN, HERTS.**

**THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

†BEN JARMAN ... Treble	HARRY WOOD ... 5
ALFRED KING ... 2	FREDERICK HUNT ... 6
*CLIFFORD ROLLINGS ... 3	†HORACE E. C. GOODENOUGH ... 7
THOMAS KENDALL ... 4	LEWIS A. GOODENOUGH ... Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSROW. Conducted by L. A. GOODENOUGH.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method and first attempt.  
 Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the treble and 3rd.  
 First peal in the method on the bells.

**HENLEY, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER**  
**SOCIETY, IPSWICH.**

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 3 lb. in A.

FREDERICK C. LAMBERT ... Treble	GEORGE A. FLEMING ... 5
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON ... 2	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... 6
*JAMES ROSE ... 3	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 7
WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... 4	ALBERT A. FLEMING ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE SYMONDS.

\* First peal in the method.

**OSWESTRY.**

**THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

BROOKS' VARIATION.

Tenor 16 cwt.

ALFRED LEA, SEN. ... Treble	ALFRED LEA, JUN. ... 5
WILLIAM JONES ... 2	THOMAS CATHRALL ... 6
*WILLIAM CATHRALL ... 3	HARRY MOORE ... 7
W. H. THOMAS ... 4	SAMUEL MEADOWS ... Tenor

Conducted by HARRY MOORE.

\* First peal. The above are Wrexham ringers with the exception of W. H. Thomas, of Bristol. The band desire to thank the Vicar and Mr. Whitfield for use of the bells, and Messrs. Evans and Kynaston for having everything in order.

**ASHTED.**

**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 14 cwt.

MRS. A. CLARK ... Treble	HERBERT J. SEELT ... 5
JAMES RUMBLE ... 2	JAMES COOPER ... 6
WILLIAM H. CORRETT ... 3	CHARLES KIPPIN, JUN. ... 7
AMOS W. CLARK ... 4	*DANIEL COOPER ... Tenor

Conducted by W. H. CORRETT.

\* First peal.

**PORTSEA, HAMPSHIRE.**

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... Treble	EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 5
PERCY W. CAVE ... 2	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 6
GEORGE PULLINGER ... 3	JOSIAH D. HARRIS ... 7
*WILLIAM TATE ... 4	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Major. First peal of Double Norwich on the bells.  
 Rung as a birthday compliment to J. D. Harris.

**CHRISTLETON, GRESHIRE.**

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

*HARRY LEWIS ... Treble	JOHN W. DAVIES ... 5
EDWARD HARRISON ... 2	ARTHUR NEWELL ... 6
JOHN HAYES ... 3	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... 7
ROBERT SPERRING ... 4	GEORGE R. JONES ... Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd.

**SALEHURST, SUSSEX.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

RICHARD B. LAMBERT ... Treble	FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, JUN. ... 5
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... 2	HARRY PRICE ... 6
*ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... 3	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... 7
REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... 4	†GEORGE WAGHORN ... Tenor

Composed by REV. E. B. JAMES. Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

\* First peal of Triples with an 'inside' bell. † First peal on eight bells.

**LEISTON, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

JAMES M. BAILEY ... Treble	JAMES G. ROMSEY ... 5
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... 2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... 6
*HENRY C. GILLINGHAM ... 3	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... 7
GEORGE WILSON ... 4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**



**PENKRIDGE, STAFFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

*On Wednesday, May 24, 1922, in Three Hours,*

*At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

**THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.**

JOHN J. TAYLOR... ..	Treble	*FRED BIRKS ... ..	5
JOHN PERRY ... ..	2	EDWARD F. MITCHELL ...	6
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER... 3		HERBERT KNIGHT ... ..	7
*ALBERT HUNT ... ..	4	*EDMUND WESTWOOD... ..	Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

\* First peal of Stedman. Rung in honour of Empire Day, and as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Perry (wife of the 2nd ringer) and Miss C. Knight (daughter of the conductor) on the occasion of her 21st birthday.

**LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,*

*At the Bell Foundry Campanile,*

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

**Tenor 6½ cwt.**

*WILLIAM THORLEY ... ..	Treble	*JOHN E. CLARKE ... ..	5
JOHN SADDINGTON ... ..	2	*JOE CARTER ... ..	6
FRED WILFORD ... ..	3	*ERNEST J. JELLEY ... ..	7
*SYD. COX ... ..	4	J. LESLIE WILLIAMS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. THORP. Conducted by J. LESLIE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal in the method. First peal as conductor. The ringers of the treble and 2nd hail from Loughborough, 3rd from Northampton and the rest from South Wigston. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Pryce Taylor for the use of the bells, and his kind hospitality afterwards.

**LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. Margaret,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

**Tenor 14½ cwt.**

EDWIN R. GOATE ... ..	Treble	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ...	5
CHARLES F. SAYER ... ..	2	GEORGE LEE ... ..	6
CLAYTON PARNELL ... ..	3	ROBERT J. GOATE ... ..	7
CHARLES RUSH ... ..	4	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ...	Tenor

Composed by J. J. BRIERLEY. Conducted by E. R. GOATE.

**OLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.**

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**  
**(NORTHERN BRANCH.)**

*On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. Leonard,*

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

**Tenor 12½ cwt.**

THOMAS J. SALTER ... ..	Treble	SAMUEL GROVE ... ..	5
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... ..	2	ALFRED DAVIES ... ..	6
JOHN BASS ... ..	3	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ...	7
WILLIAM SHORT ... ..	4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

\* This peal was specially arranged for Mr. W. H. Fussell, who was on a visit to Bridgnorth.

**GUISELEY, YORKS.**

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**  
**AND THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**

*On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Three Hours,*

*At the Church of St. Oswald,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;**

**Tenor 10½ cwt.**

CHARLES E. LAWSON ... ..	Treble	JOHN PALFRAMAN ... ..	5
JOSEPH BROADLEY ... ..	2	FREDERICK W. DIXON ...	6
WILLIAM E. H. ASH ... ..	3	FRANCIS BARKER ... ..	7
FIRTH HOPWOOD ... ..	4	*GEORGE W. STEEL ... ..	Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by F. W. DIXON.

First peal of Bob Major away from the treble.

**HERSHAM, SURREY.**

**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. Peter,*

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5068 CHANGES;**

**Tenor 8½ cwt.**

HENRY R. NEWTON ... ..	Treble	ALFRED B. PECK ... ..	5
MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... ..	2	ALAN R. McDONALD ... ..	6
ALFRED WOODROW ... ..	3	FERRIS J. SHEPHERD ... ..	7
WILLIAM A. WOODROW ... ..	4	WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. J. BRIERLEY. Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

**DARTFORD, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,*

*At the Church of Holy Trinity,*

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

**Tenor 18½ cwt.**

*ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... ..	Treble	REUBEN SANDERS ... ..	5
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ...	2	*WALTER SMITH ... ..	6
GEORGE R. PYE ... ..	3	*HAROLD W. CLARKE ... ..	7
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. ...	4	WILLIAM PYE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by W. PYE.

\* First peal of London, also first on the bells.

**SAXLINGHAM, NORFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. Mary,*

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

**Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.**

FREDERICK BORRETT ... ..	Treble	CHARLES CUTTING ... ..	5
ROBERT HARDY ... ..	2	JAMES BOUGHTON ... ..	6
CHARLES BRICE ... ..	3	HERBERT PIERCY ... ..	7
CHARLES BAKER ... ..	4	ERNEST WHITING ... ..	Tenor

Composed by W. WIGHTMAN.

Conducted by F. BORRETT.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

**ALDBURGH-ON-SEA, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,*

*At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of St. Clement's, Double Court, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. **Tenor 12½ cwt.**

*JOHN GARRETT ... ..	Treble	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... ..	4
ALBERT J. LINCOLN ... ..	2	JOHN HALL ... ..	5
*WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... ..	3	HARRY HALL ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by HARRY HALL.

\* First peal in seven methods. First peal in seven methods on the bells.

**MARKET DEEPIING, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. Guthlac,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Double Court and Single Court. **Tenor 16 cwt.**

WILLIAM TILLEY ... ..	Treble	JOSEPH LONDON ... ..	4
ARTHUR RIGGALL ... ..	2	WALTER A. DAY ... ..	5
HORACE M. DAY ... ..	3	*GEORGE H. WELLS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by H. M. DAY.

\* First peal in 7 methods, and proposed a life member of the Guild.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

TILNEY, NORFOLK.  
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(MARSHLAND BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 22½ cwt.

*THOMAS W. WILLIAMSON...Treble	LEE FEATHERBY ... .. 4
ALFRED BACON ... .. 2	FREDERICK ROSE ... .. 5
GRAHAM SPRATT ... .. 3	*WILLIAM J. ROSE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. ROSE.

First peal on the bells by Marshland band \* First peal.

LITTLE WALDINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.  
SUFFOLK COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

*BERTIE CORNELL ... .. Treble	WALTER HEAD ... .. 3
HARRY CORNELL ... .. 2	†BERNARD ROPER ... .. 4
JAMES MARTIN ... .. 3	... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN.

First peal as conductor. \* First peal. † First peal on tower bells.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. Head.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Cambridge Surprise and two 720's each of Woodbine,  
Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ERNEST BAILEY ... .. Treble	FREDERICK WADE ... .. 4
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... .. 2	GEORGE LEE ... .. 5
EDGAR BAILEY ... .. 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. A. J. Naunton, also to celebrate the 55th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Naunton's wedding day, these events occurring on the 14th and 16th respectively.

WESTON FAVELL, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 1040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings.

THOMAS LAW ... .. Treble	BERTRAM MURBY ... .. 3
HARRY CLARKE ... .. 2	*HARRY ENGLAND ... .. 4
FRANK ROLLINGS ... .. 3	... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK ROLLINGS.

\* First peal. Rung to celebrate Empire Day.

MADRESFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of London and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob & Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.

ERNEST E. BARBER ... .. Treble	FREDERICK STANTON ... .. 4
WILLIAM NIBLITT ... .. 2	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 5
ERNEST GIBBS ... .. 3	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT G. KNOWLES.

This was rung specially in honour of Ascension Day, and was the conductor's 100th peal.

**MASONS IN THE BELFRY.**

On the occasion of a Masonic service, held at St. Margaret's, Barking, on Sunday afternoon, May 7th, nine courses of Stedman Triples were rung by Bro. G. A. Black (1), Bro. H. E. Parker 2,808 (2), Bro. T. Faulkner 2,808 (3), Bro. G. R. Fardon (conductor) 2,346 (4), Bro. T. Walker 2952 (5), Bro. W. H. Hollier 87 (6), Bro. A. A. Hughes 933 (7), Bro. T. Howells (8).

RODMERSHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob & Plain Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

WILLIAM WOOD ... .. Treble	THOMAS JOLL ... .. 4
ARTHUR LURCOCK ... .. 2	CHARLES TOMBER ... .. 5
WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 3	WILLIAM NYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM NYE.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sunday, May 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes.

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. W. A. ALPS, ST. DUNSTON'S CASTLE,  
IDOL LANE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

JOHN CARTER ... .. 1—2	WILLIAM A. ALPS ... .. 5—6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 3—4	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 7—8

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

Umpire: E. ALEXANDER YOUNG.

Every treble lead was ticked off.

HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,

AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5216 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the Performer.

Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

This composition, a new one, is now tapped for the first time.

LITTLE WALDINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.

SUFFOLK COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. W. HEAD,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of St. Simon's and Grandsire, and three 720's of Plain Bob.

*JOHN J. MARTIN ... .. 1	*P. KING ... .. 3
V. CORNELL ... .. 2	L. POULSON ... .. 4
H. DAY ... .. 5	... .. 6

Conducted by V. CORNELL.

Witness: WILLIAM FAYERS.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. Head.

POSTWICK, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,

AT 15, NORFOLK COTTAGES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

MISS A. MAY DURRANT ... 1—2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 5—6
ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 3—4	MISS HILDA M. DURRANT ... 7—8

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

EDMONTON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, May 26, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT 82, STANLEY ROAD,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

WALTER J. BOWDEN ... 1—2	JOHN THOMAS ... .. 5—6
MISS EDITH K. PARKER ... 3—4	*GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... 7—8
WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 9—10	... .. 11—12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\* First peal in the method.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

### A RING OF TWELVE FOR ASTON?

The spring meeting of the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham was held at Aston on Saturday week, and, as usual, when held at this old familiar tower, was well attended.

Aston! To Birmingham ringers—and especially to those who were young and are now of a certain age—the very name conjures up memories of doughty deeds of long ago; long peals (and short ones!) freak peals (as Stedman Major), and scores and scores of ordinary peals of all kinds, good, bad and indifferent, but mostly good, and mostly Stedman Caters.

Here it was that the Holt Society was formed in 1879, mainly owing to the efforts of Mr. Wm. Kent, and flourished exceedingly, to the no small concern of its ancient contemporary, the St. Martin's Guild. Here it was that the great Henry Johnson rang most of his peals, and here he now sleeps his last sleep, as also does Thomas Reynolds of blessed memory.

We have on previous occasions described the magnificent old Gothic church, and its stately Elizabethan neighbour Aston Hall, which was besieged by the Parliamentary forces in the days of Charles the First, and surrendered after a gallant defence.

Fortunately the old hall, and about 50 acres of the surrounding park, were acquired by the Corporation of Birmingham, and thus saved for all time from the depredations of the jerry builder who has already done untold damage to what, at one time, was claimed to be one of the prettiest villages in the country.

The following was written of Aston by the Rev. A. Cleveland Cox, of Baltimore, U.S.A. (afterwards Bishop of New York), who visited it in 1851 (An Easter Monday ramble took Mr. Cox and his friend to Aston):—'We came suddenly in sight of the old church, its beautiful spire and gables harmonising with the surrounding view, and telling a silent story of long past years. Beyond it, a majestic avenue of elms disclosed at its extremity a mansion of Elizabethan architecture and date, not the less revered from the fact that Charles the First slept in it just before Edgehill fight. The rooks were chattering in its venerable trees, which seemed to divide their predilections equally with the steeple. Had I challenged my friend to show me a genuine Roger-de-Coverley picture in real life, as the entertainment of my holiday, I must have admitted myself satisfied with the scene at Aston. Not only did the old hall, and the church, in all particulars, answer to such a demand; not only did a river run by the churchyard; not only were there fields beyond, with cattle grazing, corn sprouting, and hedges looking freshly green; but when I entered the churchyard gate, lo! a rustic party, in holiday trim, were hanging about the old porch, awaiting the reappearance of a bridal train, which had just gone in. It wanted but the old Knight himself and his friend the Spectator, to make the whole scene worthy of the seventeenth century.'

The scene thus depicted seems very far off when we think of this noisy, bustling corner of old Aston to-day, with its innumerable tram-cars, and the huge football crowds which fill it on so many Saturday afternoons (the ground of the famous Aston Villa Club is within a stone's-throw of the church). Yet it presented just such a picture as the writer describes within the memory of many living there to-day.

The bells are a peal of ten and somehow seem to have lost the charm they once possessed. Indeed two of them are cracked, and when this was pointed out to Mr. Phillips, one of the churchwardens, together with the fact that there was room for a really good peal of twelve, he became quite interested, and it is not altogether impossible that, in the not too distant future Aston may be the proud possessor of a ring of twelve. Funds are already being collected for repairing the tower and spire, and if the additional money can be raised for the bells, the job might be done at the same time. Who knows?

Through the generosity of the Vicar and wardens tea was provided in the Vicarage rooms, followed by the business meeting, under the chairmanship of the Presiding Ringing Master, Mr. Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A. An apology from Mr. Albert Walker having been read, and routine business disposed of, the Chairman proposed hearty thanks to the Vicar for the use of his bells, and to the wardens, Messrs. Phillips and Poole, for so kindly entertaining them. Mr. Pritchett reminded them that last year they invited the Guild to make the visit an annual one, and they had taken them at their word. So long as they received such a cordial welcome they would continue to come unless they received an intimation to the contrary. He also wished to thank Mrs. Phillips and the other ladies for their kind attention at table.

Mr. Albert Parsons seconded. He added he had come early that afternoon for the express purpose of looking through the old church, and was delighted with the grand interior, particularly the chancel and the Erdington chapel, which were full of historical monuments of great beauty.—Needless to add, the resolution was carried with acclamation.

The Vicar, the Rev. Canon W. J. Cole, M.A., in reply, alluding to Mr. Pritchett's remarks as to the beauties of Aston 100 years ago, said he did not wish it to be like that to-day. He thought it was

far more beautiful now than it could possibly have been then. The teeming people were more interesting to him, and he would rather have it as it is than the sleepy old village of 100 years ago.

The writer made a mental note that this was the first time he had ever heard anyone prefer present-day Aston to the Aston described above by the Rev. Cleveland Cox. Ugh!

Mr. Phillips said they were grateful for the vote of thanks, but it was they who were honoured by the presence of the Guild. He loved the music of the bells, but the secretary had just told him that it was not as good as it might be, and also that a full peal comprised twelve bells. He did not want Aston to be behind other churches in this respect, and he would see what could be done to get a full peal for their old tower (loud cheers).—Mr. Poole also suitably responded.

Later the tower was revisited, while a good touch of Stedman Cinques was rung on handbells, by P. O. Laffin 1—2, A. Norman 3—4, G. F. Swann 5—6, J. E. Groves 7—8, W. Kent 9—10, M. J. Morris 11—12.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Boddmere, if the necessary permission be granted. A. P. S.

## BARNSELY & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

### A HINT TO THE CLERGY.

A monthly meeting of this Association was held at Sandal Magna on Saturday, May 13th, and a large company gathered to ring on this renowned peal of six bells, cast by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank in 1812. Wakefield, Barnsley, Crofton, Wath, Wragby Pontefract, Felkirk, Selby, Badsworth, Earlsheaton and Royston were represented.

A substantial tea was provided by the local company, and Mr. Wm. Reyner (President) occupied the chair at the meeting. Some interesting discussions took place, after which the President introduced the Vicar (the Rev. A. Audley Parry), and said how important it was for the work of the church, that both ringers and clergy should meet together as church workers, in common with all other bodies connected with the church. In times past the ringers, in many cases, were almost a nonentity, but he was pleased to say the clergy and church officials were now taking a more lively interest in their work, and he thought this was in a great measure due to the efforts of the various ringers' associations. He, in common with all true campanologists, regretted the fact that many good peals of bells hung silent in the steeple. This was a deplorable fact, and ought to be seriously considered by all associations. He thought, too, that the rural deans, in their usual visitations, should make inquiry into both bells and ringers, and where dissatisfaction or a dormant peal was found to exist, a report should be made to the proper authority. The fault did not always lay in the condition of the bells, but sometimes in some unpleasant controversy which existed between the ringers and the incumbent, or in some other causes which ought to be ascertained. He also suggested that all clergy who were intent on providing recreations and amusement for young men, should endeavour to introduce the art amongst them, as both the physical and mental exercises in campanology were equal to any, and far superior to some of the recreations of the present day. This effort would probably stimulate and interest some young men and eventually they would not only be included in the army of church workers, but perhaps become adepts in the art and science of change ringing.

The Vicar gave the company a hearty welcome to the parish, and hoped they would be delighted with their visit. They and all ringers were professors of a noble art, and one full of reminiscences from times immemorial. He thought that to Chiusa one would have to look for the real origin of bells, but their various forms and uses were so wrapt up in antiquity that it was almost impossible to trace their origin. To bells could be attributed the responsibility for the beautiful towers and steeples in connection with places of worship, both in this country and also on the Continent. If the history of bells could only be correctly written, they could give the whole history of Europe. Ringers loved their bells, and where they could call thousands to places of worship, the clergy could only reach the members from the pulpit. Ringers were true ministers of God, and reminded people of their bounden duty. The various peals gave both joy and pleasure to both ringers and listeners, and served a good and holy purpose. When a mournful peal was rung, or a passing bell was tolled, it reminded them all that they too must sooner or later pay the debt of nature and pass away to the great beyond.

The Vicar was heartily thanked for his interesting and inspiring address, and after a vote of thanks to him and the ladies who served the tea, a very interesting meeting terminated, and the bells kept going again until 9 p.m.

It was decided to hold the next monthly meeting at Monk Bretton, near Barnsley, on Saturday, June 10th.

HOUSLOW.—At St. Paul's Church, on April 30th for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins.: F. Goddard 1, A. Beckensale 2, C. Tricker 3, J. Shave 4, T. Beadle 5, G. Spencer (conductor) 6, A. Harding 7, H. Brooks 8.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.****LICHESTER DEANERY BRANCH.**

The Lichester Deanery Branch paid a visit to Yeovil for their meeting on May 15th, and there was a large attendance of ringers from the towers of Norton-sub-Hamdon, Stoke-sub-Hamdon, Martock, Ilminster, Langport, Bridgwater, and Yeovil Parish Churches.

During the afternoon touches of Grandsire Triples and Caters and Stedman Triples were rung on the very fine peal of ten bells in the Parish Church tower, under the direction of the Ringing Master, Mr. Taylor, of Ilminster.

The usual service was held in the Parish Church in the afternoon, and this was conducted by the Rev. G. W. Saunders, Vicar of Martock, the president of the Guild, and the singing was led by the organ, played by Mr. F. G. Risdon, organist and choirmaster.

The Rev. G. W. Saunders gave a most interesting address, in which he gave details of the story of Yeovil bells, the history of which goes back to 1432. Tea followed in St. John's Schools, at which the Rev. G. W. Saunders presided. Included in the company was the Vicar of Stoke-sub-Hamdon (the Rev. H. Jocelyn Davies), the churchwardens of Yeovil Parish Church (Messrs. W. E. Tucker and J. Goodchild), and the branch secretary (Mr. F. Farrant, Martock). An excellent tea was served by Mrs. J. Goodchild, Mrs. H. Y. Standring, Mrs. Cridge, and Mrs. Denslow.

The usual business meeting followed.—The President said that the decision of the Association to come to Yeovil had been justified by the excellent arrangements made for their reception, and he thanked the ladies who had provided such an excellent tea for them. He had had a note from the Vicar regretting that owing to a previous engagement he was unable to be present.—Several names were presented for membership and accepted, and it was decided that the next quarterly meeting be held at Huish Episcopi.

Much interest was taken in two rolls of parochial accounts of the time of Queen Elizabeth, shown by the churchwardens. The accounts contain many entries for the care and repair of the bells and one of them (1587) recorded the ringing of the bells when 'the Queen's Majesty (Elizabeth) began the twentieth yere of her moste happie veigne.' The original contract, signed in 1728 by Thomas Bilbie and the churchwardens for the re-casting of the tenor bell in that year was also closely examined.

During the evening the bells were kept going in various methods by the Yeovil ringers and their visitors.

**GREAT BADDOW BELLS.****SUGGESTED RECASTING OF AN ESSEX RING.**

At the meeting of the South-Eastern District of the Essex Association, at Great Baddow, on May 20th, a suggestion that the bells should be recast was put forward, and the Vicar expressed the hope that it might be taken in hand at an early date.

The meeting began with a service in the Parish Church, the Association special form being used. The Rev. C. Neill, M.A., Vicar, officiated. The address was given by the Rev. F. A. Rough-ton, M.A., Vicar of Galleywood. Tea and a meeting followed in the Parish Room. Mr. W. Lincoln, District Master presided, supported by the Vicar, Messrs. F. Howard and F. Smyth-Tyrell (churchwardens), Mr. C. H. Howard, J.P., Master of the Association, Mr. P. Timson, district secretary, and thirty members from Rettendon, Broomfield, Sandon, Chelmsford, Maldon, Fryerning, Writtle, Braintree, and Great Baddow.

The Master thanked the Vicar for the excellent tea, and the Vicar of Galleywood for his helpful address. He also called attention to the unmusical tone of the bells, and expressed the hope that the Church authorities would consider the question of recasting the bells—a much-needed improvement. Great Baddow he said, was unique in that it possessed the most musical ring of bells for its weight in the diocese at the daughter church at Galleywood, and the peal at the Parish Church was the most unmusical.

The Vicar, replying, said he knew the bells needed re-casting and putting thoroughly in tune and he hoped the matter would be taken up by the parishioners at an early date, so that they might have a peal of bells worthy of their fine old parish church.

The Master said Great Baddow was a renowned ringing centre early in the nineteenth century. The peal of Bob Major 10,080 rung there on March 7th, 1818, still held the record as the longest length rung in that method in the county.

Ringings continued during the evening, Miss A. E. Waldoek, of Maldon, taking part in touches of Bob and Treble Bob Major, her first attempt on eight bells.

The next meeting was fixed for Fryerning in September.

Members of the North-Eastern Division had a very successful meeting at Great Tey on Saturday, May 27th, 35 members, representing 15 towers, being present. Touches of Stedman, Double Norwich, Cambridge, Superlative, and other methods, were rung.

After tea, presided over by the Master Mr. W. J. Nevard, ten new members were elected, and after discussion, Goldhanger was the place in favour for the next meeting.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

# THE LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and**

**Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD**

**LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Last Sunday was the anniversary of the first peal of Stedman Caters, which was rung at St. John's, Horsley Down, by the College Youths on May 28th, 1787. The tablet recording this historical performance adds this quaint comment, 'May this peal transmit their (the ringers') names to posterity with that of the ingenious Mr. W. Jones, on whose abilities his inimitable commentaries so happily concludes with "Here the Cynic and the Panegyrist stop" and join in eulogiums to such distinguished merits.'

Sunday was also the tenth anniversary of the Bristol Surprise record, 15,264, conducted by Mr. W. Pye at Hornchurch in 9 hrs. 40 mins.; and the anniversary of the first Surprise peal rung out of England, Superlative, at Bray, Ireland, in 1901, which the Editor of 'The Ringing World' had the privilege of conducting.

On the following day, the only peal yet rung on the sea was conducted by Mr. W. Short on s.s. Cambria, and the first Surprise peal in Wales, New Cambridge, was rung at Bangor by members of the same party.

The first peal of New Cumberland Surprise was rung at Burton on May 31st, 1886, and on June 1st, 1912, the 14,931 Stedman Caters on handbells was rung at Guildford.

On June 3rd, 1773, the first twelve-bell peal was rung in Birmingham—a peal of Grandsire Cinques. There have been a good many twelve bell peals rung in the famous Bull Ring since then and when the 150th anniversary falls next year, doubtless the first performance will be fittingly celebrated.

Next Sunday is an interesting anniversary for the bells of Bow, Cheapside, for exactly 160 years ago, viz., on June 4th, 1762, the new peal of ten bells by Lester and Pack, were rung for the first time.

Thirty years ago next Tuesday was rung the celebrated 16,698 of Oxford Treble Bob Major at Debenham, in 10 hours 32 mins., and on the 8th June, 1906, the 16,800 of Oxford Treble Bob was rung at Mottram in 9 hours 40 mins.

The death has occurred of Mr. W. J. Sedgeley, of King's Lynn who was for many years hon. secretary of the King's Lynn Branch of the Norwich Diocesan Association. An 'in memoriam' touch of 1,680 Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung at St. Faith's Church, Gaywood.

The many friends of Mr. J. Frank Smallwood, of Birmingham, will learn with regret that he has been in Queen's Hospital suffering from a very painful malady. He is now, happily, slowly mending, and has been able to leave the institution.

Mr. John Carter has left London for his summer sojourn in the Isle of Man.

Those who ring peals during Whitsuntide are requested to post off their reports at once so that they may reach us by Tuesday morning.

Messrs. W. Aggett and Sons, of Chagford, have orders for the restoration of the peals of bells at Coombe-in-Teignhead, Landulph, Whitechurch, Ashburton and Slapton, near Kingsbridge (Devon), etc.

We are asked to state that the peal of Stedman Triples at St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, on Easter Monday was Carter's O Bob One-Part.

## DEATH OF MR. SAMUEL HOW.

A VETERAN COLLEGE YOUTH.

The veteran member of the College Youths, Mr. Samuel How, passed away on May 24th, and was buried at Fulham Cemetery, Mortlake, on Saturday, May 27th. The funeral service was conducted by an assistant priest of All Saints' Church, where Mr. How had, for about 25 years, rung twice a day for Divine service.

Mr. How was born at King's Kerswell, Devon, on February 19th, 1832, and there it was he learned to ring the bells up in peal. He also used to ring at St. Mary's Church, Torquay, his uncles also being ringers. He remembered the College Youths visiting Exeter, at the invitation of Mr. Troyte, when the British Association met there in 1869. In those days very little change ringing was done in the Western county, and after hearing a faultless 504 Stedman Triples, rung at St. Sidwell's Church, probably the first scientific ringing the Devon men had heard, Mr. How's uncle critically remarked that they 'ought not to call themselves ringers any more.'

Mr. How had taken part in 65 peals, all rung on the tenor. His first being Grandsire Triples at St. Mary the Virgin's, Putney, and his last at All Saints', Isleworth, both called by Mr. C. F. Winney. The deceased, who was in his younger days a very strong man, had rung peals with many of the old school of College Youths. He worked very hard, and brought up a large family, and with his wife, lived to celebrate his golden wedding. He was a man always devoted to duty and was a delightful company.

Mr. George Roberts and Mr. Robert Burgess were present at the funeral, and Messrs. C. F. Winney, W. T. Cockerill, H. R. Pasmore and T. Taffender, junr., rang, over the open grave, three whole-pulls in rounds with a pause between, and afterwards a course of Stedman Triples.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

AGENDA, 1922.

1. Minutes of the last Meeting.
  2. Apologies for Absence.
  3. Statement of Accounts and of Sale of Publications.
  4. Election of Honorary Members.
  5. Presentation of new Members to the President.
  6. To receive and discuss the Reports of the following Committees, viz.:—
    - (a) Peal Collection.
    - (b) Literature and Press.
    - (c) Legitimate Methods.
    - (d) Peals' Analysis.
    - (e) Towers and Belfries.
    - (f) Records.
  7. That it is desirable to establish in the area of each Ringing Association a Bell Restoration Fund, from which grants may be made for the restoration of any rings of bells within the area when local funds are insufficient to meet the cost.
  8. To call attention to a point in connection with Holt's peals of Grandsire Triples.
  9. That the Council draw up a card of instructions on the Care and Use of Bells suitable for hanging in a Tower.
  10. That every Tower should be officially affiliated to some one Society, and only one.
  11. That the Council consider the advisability and practicability of proving and recording all new compositions, before being rung or published.
  12. To move that a Committee be appointed in connection with the new exhibit upon Campanology, at the Science Museum, South Kensington.
  13. To fix the place of next year's meeting.
  14. Other business, if any.
- 155, Rushey Green. E. ALEXANDER YOUNG.  
Catford, London, S.E.6. Hon. Secretary.

### REPORT OF TOWERS AND BELFRIES COMMITTEE.

During the year 1921-22 the members of your committee have been consulted individually with regard to schemes of rehanging, etc., and advice has been given in some half-dozen cases.

At the end of 1921 your committee got into touch with the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, and the members have attended four conferences with that society. As a result a statement has been drawn up setting out the points upon which your committee and the society are agreed in connection with the hanging of bells in old church towers. It is proposed that this document, after final revision, shall be printed and circulated to the ecclesiastical authorities concerned, including the Diocesan Advisory Committees, which have been recently set up. The society suggest that the expense of printing and circulation should be shared by the two parties to the conferences, and your committee ask for authority to contribute a sum not exceeding five pounds towards this cost.

For the purpose of these conferences your committee co-opted the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, and they request the Council to confirm this co-option to the committee.

17th May, 1922.

EDWIN H. LEWIS.

### OTHER ARRANGEMENTS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I understand from Mr. F. W. Stokes of Blankney, Lincoln, that the Lincoln Diocesan Guild have kindly arranged to invite the representatives to tea, after the meeting on Whit Tuesday. This will probably be given at the White Hart Hotel, which, I understand, is near the Cathedral, and which I propose making my headquarters over the week-end, for the benefit of those who wish to get into touch with me or each other.

In regard to local arrangements, I am informed that the two Lincoln members of the Guild, Mr. G. Chester and Mr. C. W. P. Olifton, have kindly volunteered to deal with any applications for towers for ringing. The former's address is No. 61, Carline Road, Lincoln.

Mr. J. W. Seamer, of 9, St. Augustine's Avenue, Grimsby, is in touch with the Reception Committee. He states that ringing could be arranged for Whit Monday at both the eight-bell towers at Grimsby, and possibly at Louth, where there is a heavy ring of eight.—Yours faithfully,

E. ALEX. YOUNG.

Sir,—The bells of St. Peter-at-Arches (8) in this city (near the Stonebow) will be available for the convenience of members of the Central Council on Whit Monday, from 8.30 to 9 p.m. and on the Tuesday from 6.30 p.m. to 8 p.m., and from 8.20 p.m. to 9 p.m., the interval being necessary because of a service.

Our ringing times on Sunday are from 10.30 to 11 in the morning, and from 5.45 to 6.30 in the evening. The methods rung are Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Major, and, if we have sufficient visitors, Treble Bob and Double Norwich.—Yours, etc.

CHARLES MCGUINNESS.

## NOTICE OF LONG PEAL.

FORTHCOMING ATTEMPT ON THE TREBLE BOB RECORD.

On Whit Saturday, June 10th, 1922, eight members of the Lancashire Association will start for Mr. Gabriel Lindoff's 18,240 of Kent Treble Bob Major at the Parish Church, Mottram-in-Longdendale, Cheshire, starting at 8 a.m.

## NEW BELLS AT BROUGHTON.

STAFFS PEAL OPENED.

A new peal of eight bells has been installed at Broughton, Staffs, and has been dedicated by the Bishop of Lichfield. By the munificence of Mr. John Hall, the old six has been recast and two larger bells added, making a magnificent octave, with a tenor of 15½ cwt. in F. The bells are hung in a new H frame on steel girders, and swing on ball bearings. The roof of the tower has been raised so that the bells can be heard to the best advantage. The whole of the work has been carried out by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., who are to be congratulated upon the splendid execution of the task entrusted to them.

On each of the six smaller bells is inscribed: 'Pietatis ergo sr b Broughton Barti, 1720—Recast, 1922,' and on the seventh '1922,' while the tenor bell bears the following record: 'The six smallest bells recast and two larger bells added by John Hall 1922.'

The dedication ceremony was attended by a large number of people from the parish and surrounding district, and in addition to the Bishop of Lichfield, the Rev. W. S. Robinson (Vicar of the parish) and the Rev. J. Richards (Rector of Ashley) were present.

The dedication touch consisted of 168 Grandsire Triples, conducted by Mr. W. Weatherby, of Market Drayton, the ringers being R. T. Holding 1, J. H. Riding 2, H. Holding 3, R. Langford 4, V. R. Rodenhurst 5, W. Saunders 6, W. Weatherby 7, J. L. Hayward 8. Touches of Stedman Triples and Bob Major followed, Mr. R. T. Holding conducting the second touch of Bob Major, and the following ringers taking part: A. Hickman 1, J. H. Riding 2, H. Holding 3, R. Langford 4, V. R. Rodenhurst 5, W. Saunders 6, W. Weatherby 7, R. T. Holding 8. Additional touches of Grandsire and Stedman were also rung, the following ringers taking part, in addition to those named, Messrs. P. Taylor and J. Oldham (Loughborough), T. Tudor and A. Lawton.

The general opinion of the ringers who attended the dedication was one of unstinted praise of the fine tone of the bells and of the excellent finish of the workmanship.

On Saturday, May 13th, a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung.

## NEW METHODS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Mr. Pyc has evidently made statements which he cannot substantiate. In a previous letter he claimed to have called peals of Bristol with the 6th 12 courses at home. This week he reduces it to one peal, six leads short of the extent.

I am pleased to see Mr. Pyc recognises the strength of the Whitley Bay band, with whom I rang my peals of Bristol. It might interest him to know that this band from treble to tenor say that the back work of Bristol is monotonous.

As regards the musical qualities of Erin, Forward, etc., Erin is more musical than Stedman; Forward is more musical than Treble Bob. Dublin Complex is akin to Bristol for music, but is spoiled by its lengthening lead. Superlative is best left alone, both double and single. It says little for Mr. Pyc's opinion of a musical method, after praising it in the way he did in a previous letter. Duffield was composed to eliminate the bad patches in Superlative, but, as these methods (owing to their short courses) contain more calls, they do not appeal to the conductor who likes to score a peal at every attempt.—Yours, etc.,

W. H. BARBER.

## LONGEST LENGTH OF LONDON.

To the Editor.

Sir,—The honour of producing the longest length of London belongs, in my humble opinion, to the Rev. H. L. James. That the peal is obtained on the same plan as Mr. Lindoff's is undeniable. It is an honour to be able to claim the longest length in any method, and many will regret that Mr. Lindoff having got so near did not persevere and get that 'little more' that Mr. James has.—Yours sincerely,

W. A. CAVE.

## DEATH FROM EFFECTS OF WOUNDS.

The death has occurred at Upper Walmer, of Mr. J. Trinder, for many years a member of the Kent Association. The deceased, who was 45 years of age, served in the war, and it is to the effects of the wounds he received in 1917 that he has now succumbed.

Mr. Trinder had rung seven peals, one of Bob Major, one of Stedman Triples, and five on six bells.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, May 27th, the Northern District held a meeting at Barley, which is situated in the north-eastern corner of the county. The tower, which is of Saxon architecture, contains a nice ring of six bells, which have recently been rehung by Messrs. Day and Son, of Erc, Suffolk. In the absence of the Rector, the Rev. Fossett conducted a short service, and gave a suitable address.

Tea was provided in a very quaint old fifteenth century hall opposite the church.

Unfortunately this meeting clashed with a meeting held at the same time at Bennington, but ringers from Barkway, Fulbourne, Hitchin and Royston were present, and spent quite an enjoyable afternoon.

A resolution was confirmed, on the proposition of Mr. R. King, seconded by Mr. E. Howard, that the June meeting be held at Knebworth as formerly.

Thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, to the Rev. Fossett for conducting the service, to Miss Wilkinson (the Rector's daughter) for presiding at the organ, to the ladies who did such excellent catering for tea, and to Mr. Mansfield for making the necessary arrangements.

**EASTERN DISTRICT.**

The May meeting was held on Saturday at the old-world village of Bennington, which in its spring beauty was looking at its best, and all who attended were well repaid for the labour which the journey involved. Members and friends assembled from places far apart, and one lady ringer had cycled the distance from Trumpington, a suburb of Cambridge. The towers represented were Barkway, Baldock, Hitchin, Ware, Hertford, Gravelly, Luton, Great and Little Munden, besides the members of the Bennington band, including the two veterans Messrs. J. Kitchener and S. Page.

Tea was provided by the generosity of the Rector (Rev. W. E. Mills), who had specially wished to do exactly as his father, the late Canon Mills, had done to welcome the association to Bennington for so many years, and a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded him for so doing.

The business meeting followed tea, Mr. J. Kitchener presiding, after which an adjournment was made to the famous tower, and Messrs. Kitchener and Page took a rope in a touch of Superlative Surprise, which gave them much pleasure, and brought back memories of the days 50 years ago, when Superlative Cambridge and London were the usual thing for morning and evening service, and when very few village bands could ring these methods.

**WESTERN DISTRICT.**

The quarterly meeting of the Western District was held at Apsley on Saturday, May 20th, when members attended from Hemel Hempstead, Tring, Laverstock Green, Berkhamstead, and one local tower. A short service was held, conducted by the Vicar, who, before giving the address, extended a very warm welcome to the association.

Tea, which was partaken of in the Church Room, was kindly provided by the Apsley ringers.

At the business meeting, at which Mr. H. Cutler presided, ten new members were elected, viz., Messrs. H. Cutler, W. Breed, R. Cutler, C. Henley, D. Birchmore, W. Humphrey and K. Runkham, of Apsley; and E. G. Benson, J. Blunt, and P. B. Curl, of Berkhamstead. Votes of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and his address, and to the organist and to the Apsley men for their kindness in providing the tea, brought a very pleasant meeting to a close. The tower was again visited, and the bells were lowered in peal at 8.30.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.****ARCHDEACONRY OF WISBECH BRANCH.**

A district meeting was held at March, on Saturday, May 20th, when ringers were present from Cambridge, Newmarket, Terrington, Shouldham, Chatteris, Somersham, and the local band. Touches were brought round in various methods during the day, and some double-handed handbell ringing was much appreciated. A short service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. G. S. Walker), who gave a hearty welcome to members. The Association form of service was used, and Mr. G. T. Bailey, the organist, was at the organ.

Afterwards a capital tea was provided in the Church Room by the Rector, Mrs. and Miss Walker were also present.

A business meeting followed, at which the Rector was elected an honorary member, and three ringing members were enrolled. Wisbech was chosen for the next meeting.

A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector and all helpers, on the motion of Mr. R. Lathbury, seconded by Miss B. Shorter, for lending the bells, taking the service, and providing the tea; also to the Rev. R. Ridge, Rector of Doddington for granting the use of his bells.

The tower was then again visited, and further ringing was indulged in. Some of the members went to the old village of Doddington, where touches were brought round on the fine-toned bells much to the interest of the local band, who met the party. Thanks are due to them for having everything ready.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.****NUMERICAL ADVANCE, BUT MEAGRE PERFORMANCES.**

The 35th annual meeting of the North Notts Association was held at East Retford on Saturday, May 20th, and was attended by upwards of 60 members and visitors from kindred associations. The three towers in the old borough, viz., East Retford (10), West Retford and Ordsall, were at the disposal of ringers from 2 to 9 p.m., and were made good use of. The following towers were represented: Anston, Barlborough, Blyth, Harthill, Norton Cuckney, Laneham, Sutton-on-Trent, Ordsall, East and West Retford, Tuxford, Warsop and Worksop, while members from kindred associations were present from Wortley, Chesterfield, Staveley Town, Treeton, Doncaster and Tickhill.

A short service was held at East Retford Church, at which the Rev. C. Bailey gave an excellent address, in which he dwelt upon the sacredness and importance of the ringer's office.

An excellent tea was provided at Cooke's Cafe, in Carolgate, the gathering being presided over by the Rev. C. Bailey. At the business meeting which followed, the Vicar was supported by the Rev. J. S. Mumford (of Norton Cuckney, late of East Retford), the hon. secretaries, Messrs. H. Haigh and D. A. Piercy, and also by the hon. secretary of the Doncaster District Association (Mr. Harold Walker) and Miss K. Jackson, of the Parish Church, Doncaster, and Miss A. Taylor, of Worksop Priory.

A vote of sympathy was passed, the members rising in silence for a few moments with Mr. T. R. Flint, an energetic member of the committee, who has recently lost his wife, and the secretary was authorised to write him a letter of condolence.

The following new members were elected: 5 from Worksop, 7 from Edwinstowe, 6 from Harworth, 3 from Warsop, 4 from Tickhill, 2 from Doncaster, 3 from West Retford, a total of 30, and a new record for the association. This list included the Misses A. Taylor, E. Winrow, E. Weaver, of Worksop Priory; Miss K. Jackson, of Doncaster; also six non-resident life members and three vice-presidents among them the Rector, churchwarden, organist and sidesmen from one church, all proposed by Mr. H. Haigh, and seconded by Mr. G. Hardwick.

The officers were re-elected, viz., President, the Lord Bishop of Southwell; patrons, His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, His Grace the Duke of Portland; the vice-presidents, secretaries, and working committee.

The annual report was read and adopted. Whilst congratulating the members upon another year of advancement, numerically and financially, the Hon. Secretary reported that from a ringing standpoint the performances of the society were very meagre indeed, not a single peal of 5,000 changes having been rung by any company, and the only 720's in new methods were rung by Anston, Barlborough, Ordsall and Worksop. The report went on to review the work of the year, and bore testimony to the support accorded by the vice-presidents. The membership roll at the end of the year was 16 vice-presidents, 161 performing, non-resident and probationary members.

The balance sheet, audited by Messrs. A. Johnson and W. H. Johnson, V.C., showed a credit balance of £25 16s. 7d., a gain on the year's working of £2 15s.

A hearty vote of thanks was proposed to the Rev. C. Bailey for presiding, for his excellent address, and for the use of bells; also to the Rectors of West Retford and Ordsall for the use of their bells. A vote of thanks was also accorded to the clergy and all vice-presidents for their patronage and financial support during the past year.

Some good ringing was done on the bells at all three churches. On six bells, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, College Pleasure and Plain methods were rung, while at the Parish Church the touches included Grandsire Triples and Caters, Treble Bob Royal and Major, Plain Bob and Stedman Triples, a Worksop lady, Miss Taylor, ringing her first touch on ten bells, in which Miss Jackson, of Doncaster, also took part.

Harworth and Edwinstowe having now become affiliated, the association hopes to hold meetings in July and August at these two places.

An alteration of rule has now increased the meetings of the association from four to six each year.

**SOUTH DURHAM TOWERS.**

A combined practice was held on Saturday, May 27th, at Bolton-on-Swale (6), when ringers were present from Heighington, Hurworth, Shildon, Holy Trinity and St. John's, Darlington. Touches amounting to 2,592 changes were rung in Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and London Surprise Minor, a well-struck 720 of Kent, the first for 12 years on these bells, completing a very enjoyable afternoon. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Staindrop on June 10th. A very hearty vote of thanks was passed to the ladies and the Vicar for so kindly providing tea, and the Vicar for the use of the bells.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**STAPLEHURST, KENT.**—For evensong, on May 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Farrance 1, J. Smith 2, S. Rofe (longest length) 3, T. Pope 4, H. Head 5, J. Head 6, T. E. Sone (composer and conductor) 7, C. Pope 8.

**BIRMINGHAM.**—On Sunday, May 28th, for morning service, at St. Martin's Church, five courses of Stedman Cinques: T. Russam 1, A. Norman 2, J. E. Groves (conductor) 3, J. Neal 4, A. P. Smith 5, M. Morris 6, W. Kent 7, F. Wilford (Northampton) 8, E. Mansell 9, A. Walker 10, J. Wells 11, G. Yendell 12.

**BANBURY.**—On Sunday, May 28th, for evening service, at the Parish Church, 360 Grandsire Doubles, 6, 7, 8 covering: W. Tandy 1, Maurice Smith 2, F. Selwyn 3, J. W. Fairbrother 4, F. Wilford (Northampton), conductor, 5, F. Lewis 6, J. Simonds 7, F. Impey 8. This is a new band of ringers, and it was their first attempt at change ringing for Sunday Service.

**HORLEY, SURREY.**—At the Church of St. Bartholomew, for morning service, on May 28th, 720 of Plain Bob Minor: A. Soughurst 1, S. Kenward 2, A. J. Bull 3, E. Warner (first 720 of Minor) 4, P. Etheridge 5, G. Ilman (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples: A. Soughurst 1, A. J. Bull 2, F. Sadler 3, S. Kenward (conductor) 4, G. Hollingsbee 5, E. Warner 6, P. Etheridge 7, G. Ilman 8.

**OLAPHAM PARK.**—At St. Stephen's, for evensong, on May 28th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Miss Chapman 1, Miss Hardcastle 2, Miss Phillips 3, E. M. Atkins 4, \*F. Lock 5, T. Langdon (conductor) 6, J. E. Higgins 7, Rev. G. H. Ensor 8. \* First quarter-peal.

**HOUNSLOW.**—At St. Paul's Church, on Sunday evening, May 28th, for service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. E. Chave 1, J. Milner 2, F. Goddard 3, H. Payne 4, — Price 5, A. Harding 6, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 7, A. Diserens 8.

**HAMMERSMITH.**—At St. Paul's Church, on Sunday, May 28th, for morning service, 672 Stedman Triples: W. H. Stevens 1, H. Dyas 2, A. Cutmor 3, R. Mackrill 4, H. Cook 5, O. Hunt 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, H. W. Baker 8.

**UOKFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On Easter Day, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): A. Dendy 1, F. Tester 2, W. Burrell 3, A. J. Pierpoint 4, P. Marchant 5, A. Causley 6, J. A. Hart (conductor) 7, W. T. Hussey 8. First quarter by the treble and tenor men.

**DONCASTER.**—At St. George's Church, on Easter Day, 1,008 Stedman Triples, in 40 mins., for morning service: G. Halksworth (conductor) 1, E. Baldwin 2, J. Holmes 3, C. Clarke 4, C. Scott 5, W. Lloyd 6, H. Walker 7, H. Baldwin 8. Also 504 Stedman Triples, for evening service: G. Halksworth 1, Miss K. Jackson 2, C. Scott 3, C. Clarke 4, J. Newsome 5, W. Lloyd 6, H. Walker (conductor) 7, H. Baldwin 8.

**HATFIELD, YORKSHIRE.**—On Easter Day, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor, with the 6th and 8th covering: G. Wilburn 1, H. Crowe 2, E. Purdy 3, H. Marshall 4, R. Thompson 5, R. Rodwell 6, D. England (conductor) 7, B. England 8.—Also for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 47 mins.: H. Rodwell 1, H. Crowe 2, E. Purdy 3, H. Marshall 4, R. Thompson 5, H. Howarth 6, D. England (conductor) 7, R. Rodwell 8.

**LINCOLN.**—On Easter Day, for morning service, at St. Botolph's Church, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor (1,260 changes): J. Waterson 1, G. Crompton 2, F. Walker (longest length) 3, H. Lowman 4, W. Bettles 5, W. H. Lloyd (conductor) 6.

**KIDLINGTON, OXON.**—On Easter Day, for evensong, in 46 mins., 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. Judge 1, J. Judge 2, F. Webb 3, Walter Judge 4, W. Stone 5, J. Franklin 6, J. H. R. Freeborn (conductor) 7, J. Bowerman 8.

**WHITCHURCH, near CARDIFF.**—At St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, for evening service, on Easter Day: H. Bailey 1, W. Biss (conductor) 2, J. Bailey 3, F. Bailey 4, T. Middleton 5, F. Wright 6. First quarter for the ringers of treble and tenor.

**BILLESDON, LEICESTER.**—At the Parish Church, on Easter Day, for 7 a.m. service 380 Grandsire Doubles: J. Norton 1, J. Sharp 2, J. R. Corner 3, F. Payne 4, A. E. Kitchen (conductor) 5. Also 360 Grandsire Doubles for morning service, at 11 a.m., by the same band.

**LONG STANTON.**—On Easter Day, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, in 41 mins.: W. Hawke 1, C. W. Woolley 2, F. J. Cook 3, C. W. Cook 4, Rev. H. B. Woolley 5, W. H. J. Hooton (conductor) 6, G. Crisp 7, J. B. Woolley 8.

**WOOLWICH.**—At the Parish Church of St. Mary Magdalene, on Easter Day, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: W. Horsley 1, F. Grove (conductor) 2, A. Conolly 3, W. Watchorn 4, H. Beckford 5, A. Horsley 6, W. Aldridge 7, A. N. Bangav 8. This was rung as a welcome to Mr. Bangav, whose home is at Welling, Ontario, Canada, and is at present staying in the old country for a short period. This was the first time Mr. Bangav had had a pull for 10 years, and great credit is due to him for the excellent way in which he handled his bell after so long a time. The above company hope to have the pleasure of ringing with him again before he returns to his home beyond the sea.

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

## VISIT OF LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT.

The May monthly meeting of the Guild, held at Monk's Kirby, on the 20th ult., may be classed as one of the most successful in the history of the Guild. This magnificent peal loses none of its fascination, and upwards of 60 ringers were present during the afternoon and evening, from Allesley, Coventry, Desborough, Ex-hall, Chilvers Coton, Croft, Rugby, Stoke, Polesworth, Green-on, Stoney Stanton, Nuneaton, Wolvey, and the local band, who are making excellent progress under the tuition of the Rugby members.

Just as the company were about to sit down to tea, provided at the Denbigh Arms, they were pleasantly surprised by the appearance of the Rev. Canon H. J. Elsee, President of the Lancashire Association, who is a native of Warwickshire, and received his first instruction in the art on the old five bells at St. Andrew's, Rugby.

The Ringing Master (Mr. A. Roberts) extended a hearty welcome to the Canon, and his remarks were endorsed by Mr. A. Wilkerson, hon. secretary of the Guild.—Canon Elsee, replying, said how pleased he was to be amongst his Warwickshire friends once again, and especially to be able to hear such a noble peal at Monk's Kirby. He remarked later, in the tower, that he never thought it would be his great pleasure to ring Superlative there.

Twelve new members were elected, including several of the local band. The Guild heartily thank the Vicar for his kind permission to use the bells, also to the local band for having them in readiness. Tune ringing and Stedman Caters on the handbells were indulged in after tea.

The methods rung during the afternoon and evening in the tower included London, Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Double Norwich and Bob Major. Stedman and Grandsire Triples. The lowering of the bells in peal about 8.30 p.m. brought a happy and successful meeting to a close.

## DEATH OF MR. CECIL CHAPMAN.

## A PROMISING YOUNG KETTERING RINGER.

The Kettering Parish Church ringers have lost, by the death of Mr. Cecil Chapman, at the early age of 20 years, one of the most promising young ringers in the county. The deceased, who was the youngest son of Mr. James E. Chapman, was taken ill on Saturday, April 29th, and on the Monday was removed to the Kettering General Hospital, but despite the skilful attention of five doctors, he passed away on Saturday, May 6th.

Cecil Chapman was one of those who commenced ringing at a very early age, and under the influence of his father, and the writer, made rapid progress in handbell ringing, showing every prospect of becoming an accomplished ringer and conductor on both tower and handbells. He rang 7—8 in a peal of Bob Major when only 12 years old, it being the 100th peal rung by his father for the Association. On June 6th, 1915, he was umpire, and ticked off every lead end of Holt's original rung on handbells, conducted by W. Perkins. His first tower bell peal was one of Minor in seven methods rung after the war. Altogether he had rung 21 peals in the following methods: On tower bells: Doubles 6 (conducted 4), Minor (1 method) 1 (conducted 1), Minor (7 methods) 1, Minor (8 methods) 1, Grandsire Caters 1, Bob Major 1, Stedman Triples 1, Double Norwich 1, Superlative 1, Cambridge 1. On handbells: Grandsire Triples 1, Bob Major 4, Double Norwich 1.

Of a quiet and unassuming disposition, always punctual and regular in attendance to ring for services, a keen and accurate striker, he made many friends, and his presence in the belfry will be sorely missed by all who came in contact with him.

The funeral took place on Wednesday, May 10th, the service being conducted by the Rector (the Rev. C. B. Lucas). As the funeral cortege proceeded to the cemetery the bells of the Parish Church were chimed by Mr. W. T. Wilson, of Isham (treasurer of the Association), Miss C. Hepburn and Miss Lewis of Isham (who represented the Ladies' Guild), Mr. C. Moor, R. Black, R. W. Lawrence, and A. Warren, of Weekley, assisted by Mr. C. W. Bird and A. V. Inns, of the Kettering band.

Four of the deceased's fellow ringers acted as bearers viz. Messrs. Nichols, Payne, Sawfoot and Turner. After the committal service at the graveside, a course of Grandsire Triples was rung by A. Inns 1—2, F. Sawfoot 3—4, D. Nichols 5—8, R. Black 7—8.

Among the many handsome floral tokens was one from the Kettering ringers, and others from the Rector, and ringers of Weekley: Mr. W. T. Wilson and Miss Hepburn, Isham; Mr. A. N. Wood, of Bedford; Mr. J. Palmer, of Acton Hall Gardens, Cheshire.

In the evening an attempt was made for a peal of Stedman Triples, with the bells half-muffled, but this was unfortunately lost owing to a shift course. The whole peal and stand was rung 20 times by the following: A. Inns 1, R. Lawrence (Weekley) 2, A. Henman 3, C. W. Bird 4, R. Turner 5, A. Payne 6, D. J. Nichols 7, F. Sawfoot 8.

At Weekley, where Mr. Chapman had been instructing the local band during the past year, a 720 of Bob Minor was rung in 24 mins., with the bells half-muffled, by the local ringers: C. Moore 1, Miss K. Moore 2, R. F. Lawrence 3, R. G. Black 4, A. Warren 5, R. W. Lawrence (conductor) 6.

D. J. N.

**BANK HOLIDAY MEETINGS.**

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the Association will be held at Northampton on Whit Monday, June 5th. Committee meeting at 11.15 a.m. in St. Giles' Vestry. Service in St. Giles' Church at 12.15 p.m. Luncheon at Cinema Cafe, Market Square, at 1.15 p.m. Bells available, St. Giles' (10), St. Peter's (8), St. Edmund's (8), St. Sepulchre's (8), All Saints' (8).—David J. Nichols, Gen. Sec., 3, York Road, Kettering.

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Northallerton on Whit Monday, June 5th. Committee meeting at 11 a.m. in Parker's Restaurant. Service in the Parish Church at 12 o'clock; all members and friends are invited to attend this service. Lunch will be provided at Parker's Restaurant at 1 o'clock, members 2/-, non-members 3/-.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Annual General meeting at Ilfracombe Whit Monday, June 5th. Service at Parish Church 12.15. Dinner (2/6) and meeting at 45, High Street, at 1 o'clock.—E. S. Powell, Gen. Sec., Holbeton Vicarage, Plymouth.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Whit Monday meeting will be held at Darlington. Committee meeting at 12 noon in the 'Fleece' Hotel. Dinner at 1 o'clock; members 2s., non-members 3s. 6d. General meeting afterwards. The bells of St. Cuthbert's, Holy Trinity and St. John's will be available for ringing during the day.—B. C. Dixon, Hon. Sec., 80, Fern Dene Road, Gateshead.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—The 43rd Annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit Monday, June 5th. 11.30 a.m., service at the Cathedral, with address by the Rev. C. Neill, vicar of Great Baddow. 12.15 p.m., meeting in Shire Hall. 1.30 p.m., lunch at Hick's Restaurant, High Street, members 2/- each. Towers open for ringing during day which can be reached by frequent bus service: Cathedral (12), Writtle (8), Widford (8), Galleywood (8), Boreham (8), Gt. Waltham (8), Springfield (6), Broomfield (6). No ringing permitted during service and meeting.—Chas. H. Howard, Master; F. J. Pitstow, Gen. Sec. and Treas., 45, High Street, Saffron Walden.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting, June 5th. Members requiring hot or cold luncheon can be provided for at the Prince's Café, High Street (next to St. Mary-le-Port Church). Christ Church (10) bells are available from 10 till 11 a.m. 3 volumes of the peal book, about 800 peals, will be on view at St. Thomas' Church Room, Victoria Street, all day. For full details see last week's 'Ringing World'.—Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual festival will be held at Hereford on Whit Monday, June 5th. Service in Cathedral at 12.15. Preacher, Rev. H. E. Wall. Dinner 2/6 at 1. Business meeting 2 p.m. Tea 1/6 at 6.—Rev. G. W. Turner, Hon. Sec., Madley Vicarage, Hereford.

**NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Buckley on Whit Monday. Service at 2.30 p.m. Meeting at 3 p.m. Tea after meeting. Bells available at any time during day before and after meeting. All ringers welcome.—C. H. Jones, Hon. Sec., 33, Liverpool Road, Buckley.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A General meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch will be held at King's Lynn on Whit Monday, June 5th. The bells of St. Margaret's (10), St. Nicholas' (8) and Gaywood (6) will be available. No special luncheon will be provided, but members can obtain luncheon, at a quite moderate price, at the 'Globe' Hotel, Market Square, at 1 o'clock. The General Business meeting will be held at 2 o'clock in the Vestry of St. Nicholas' Church.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—A Cycling tour has been arranged for Whit Monday (if fine), when the following towers will be visited in the order named: Crondall, Bentley, Binsted (lunch), Blackmoor, and possibly Frensham. Start from Guildford Town Bridge at 9 a.m., and the Bush Hotel, Farnham, at 10.30. All cycling ringers are welcome.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****MEETING AT BARNET AND HADLEY.**

A successful meeting of the N. and E. district of the Middlesex County Association and Loudon Diocesan Guild was held on May 20th, at Barnet and Hadley. Quite a large number of members took advantage of the very fine weather to take a country outing, and to enjoy some good ringing on the two peals of bells available. A short service was held in Barnet Parish Church at 6 p.m., when the Rector (the Rev. W. Manning), after giving the Association a hearty welcome, paid a tribute to the late Mr. Arthur T. King, who, he said, was a man whose life all could take as an example. He mentioned that Mr. King was at one time a parishioner of Barnet, and during the short period, just after his own coming to Barnet, that they were associated, he had been able to note Mr. King's high character, and he summed up by saying that the deceased President was well worthy of being called 'A scholar, a gentleman, and a Christian.' He had now passed away, and had gone to receive the reward of his labours from the Master whom he had so faithfully served.

After tea, which was partaken of in the Church House, the usual business meeting was held, the new President of the Association the Rev. F. B. Bonsey, being in the chair. He was supported by the vice-president, Messrs. F. A. Milne and T. Beadle; also Mr. W. Pye (Master), Mr. G. B. Lucas (District Master), Mr. C. T. Coles (hon. secretary), and upwards of 30 members.

Mr. Milne introduced the President to the members, and Mr. Bonsey, who was given a hearty ovation, acknowledged the honour which had been conferred upon him, adding that he would do his utmost to further the interests of the Association.

Two new members were elected, and Willesden chosen as the place for the next meeting, on July 8th.

Votes of thanks were unanimously passed to the Rectors of Barnet and Hadley for the use of their bells, and to the towerkeepers for having everything ready for the members. Both peals were subsequently made use of in a variety of methods, and during the afternoon and evening the following methods were practised: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain and Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Cambridge, London and Bristol Surprise, several members ringing their first courses of the Surprise methods.

**SOUTH AND WEST DISTRICT AT EALING.**

A meeting of the S. and W. District was held at St. Mary's, Ealing, on Saturday, May 27th. Although the weather was warm, and the 'go' of the bells not 'great,' the gathering proved a success, and touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Cambridge were rung. A ringers' service, with a short address, was conducted by the Rev. F. J. L. Rees, and much appreciated. In the absence of the Vicar (the Rev. G. J. Sharp) he gave the association a hearty welcome.

The company were entertained to tea by the Vicar and wardens, to whom a vote of thanks was accorded for the use of the bells and their kind hospitality.

**DEPTFORD.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Easter Day, for 11 a.m. service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: J. W. Billing 1, A. J. Ford 2, F. Barnes 3, D. F. Ward 4, G. W. Harris 5, W. H. Daynes 6, G. H. Daynes 7, J. Monzies 8.—For evening service, another quarter-peal in the same method: F. Barnes 2, D. F. Ward 3, G. W. Harris 4, A. J. Ford 5, W. H. Billing 8, the rest as before. Both quarter-peals were conducted by G. H. Daynes.

## NOTICES.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.**

—The next Monthly Meeting will be held at Milnrow on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells ready at 3; meeting at 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—The Annual meeting of above branch will be held at Shenley on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 3.30 p.m. The bells of Loughton will be available during the afternoon.—Walter Sear, Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service at 4. Tea at 5 and business meeting to follow.—Percy Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—Saturday, June 3rd, at Ecclesfield; bells available 3-9 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Stowmarket District.—A meeting for practice will be held at Stowmarket on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells available from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.—E. E. Diaper, Dis. Sec., 6, Bury Road, Stowmarket.

**WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Gorseinon on Saturday, June 3rd. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 5.30, followed by tea.—Charles Moul, Sec., 2, Tycoch Road, Sketty, Swansea.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The next quarterly meeting, for ringing only, will be held at the Parish Church, Ulverston, on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (6) available at 1.30 p.m. All ringers welcomed.—W. T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—A ringing meeting will be held at Coppull on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (6) available any time after 2.30 p.m. Ringers are earnestly requested to turn up in large numbers and make the meeting a success.—J. Halsall, Branch Sec., 97, Platt Lane, Hindley.

**HERTS ASSOCIATION.**—A District meeting will be held at Watford to-morrow, June 3rd. Bells open from 3 o'clock. Tea at the St. Mary's Institute. All ringers welcome.—H. Eden, Hon. Sec. Watford District, 11, Pinner Road, Watford.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.**—There will be a meeting for practice on ten and twelve bells on Whit-sun Friday, June 9th. Bells ready at 12 o'clock.—Samuel Booth.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Huyton on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6 p.m.—Walter Hughes, Branch Sec.

**TRING, HERTS.**—The bells of Tring Church will be rung on Whit Tuesday during the afternoon and evening, starting at 1.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. J. Reeve.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on June 8th and 22nd; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 13th; Southwark Cathedral on the 20th; \*St. Mary le Bow, Cheapside, on the 27th; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 29th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwaads.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Rotherfield on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available from 2 p.m.; service at 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. at the Memorial Hall (1/3 per head), followed by the business meeting. Will those proposing to attend kindly let me know by June 7th? A hearty welcome is extended to all ringers.—Geo. W. Stokes, Div. Hon. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Long Ashton, near Bristol, on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea at the Church House at 4.30, followed by a short meeting. All members and friends are invited to Evensong at 6 o'clock. Will those requiring tea let me know without fail by Tuesday, June 6th, as Long Ashton ringers have very kindly undertaken to arrange this?—Edith Smith, 23, Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Collingtree, on Saturday, June 10th. Those requiring tea notify me not later than June 6th.—Sidney J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Road, Northampton.

**HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The Monthly practice has been arranged to take place at Harpenden Tower on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—W. Ayre.

**NORWICH & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Halesworth District.—A meeting will be held at Whenhaston on June 10th. Tea will be provided. Those who wish to be present please notify the Secretary, Mr. Walter Kerrison, of Wissett, or Mr. Geo. Easter, of Whenhaston. The bells will open at 2 o'clock. The bells of Bramfield Town will also be available.—W. Kerrison, Hon. Sec.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Henley District.—A meeting for practice will be held at Stretton on Saturday, June 10th, at 2 p.m. Bells at Holbrook also available.—Rev. Wm. C. Pearson, Dist. Sec., Henley Vicarage.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The Spring meeting will be held at Margate on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Will all those requiring tea please notify me by Monday, June 5th?—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Tickhill on Saturday, June 17th. Bells (8) ready at 2 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea (1/6 each) at 5.30 to those who notify Mr. W. H. Dale, Westgate, Tickhill, near Rotherham, by Wednesday, June 14th. The annual report will be on sale, and members are reminded that subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—F. Clark, Hon. Sec.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Hartlebury on Saturday, June 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service in church at 4.30. Business meeting to follow.—A. Davies, Branch Sec., 29, Hampton Street, Netherton, Dudley.



**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division. —By kind permission of the Dean, the Quarterly meeting will be held at Ripon on Saturday, June 17th. The bells of Sharon Church (a little more than a mile from Ripon Station), by permission of the Rev. R. C. Pownall, will also be available for ringing throughout the day. Further particulars will be announced in next week's 'Ringing World.' Ripon being an ideal place for a day's outing, the secretary extends a hearty invitation to all members of the association, as well as other ringing friends, to take part in the meeting on June 17th, and to assist in making the day a happy and successful event.—A. L. Henderson, Hon. Sec.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District. —A meeting will be held at Sunbury-on-Thames on Saturday, June 17th, by permission of the Vicar. Ringing from 3 p.m. Will arrange tea for all ringers and their friends if notified by June 12th, for 5.15, at a reasonable charge, and welcome to all.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch. —A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Colne Parish Church on Saturday, June 17th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m. A special invitation is given to all ringers to attend this meeting to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the Colne Parish Church.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.** — The next Quarterly meeting will be at Melbourne on July 8th.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Clerk, ex-service (24), seeks situation. London or Warwick districts preferred (not essential). Experienced book-keeper, storekeeper, typist. Ring Surprise 8 bells. Accept low salary to get with good band. Excellent refs.—Box 4, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

Beautiful set of 21 HANDBELLS for Sale. Price £10. — J. Ward, Latchmere, Worting Road, Basingstoke.

Peal of 12 Handbells in A. Condition as good as new. Just the thing for tower work.—Apply, Mrs. Trinder, Green Lane, Church Street, Upper Walmer.

#### PUBLICATION.

—'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**PORTSEA, HANTS.**—On Easter Day, for festal evensong, at St. Mary's Church, 1,344 Stedman Triples, in 50 mins.: F. W. Rogers 1, J. D. Harris (conductor) 2, J. J. Symons 3, W. Tate 4, E. J. Harding, junr., 5, R. J. Stone 6, E. J. Harding, senr., 7, W. E. Snell (first quarter-peal of Stedman) 8. Adapted by F. W. Rogers from 'Heywood's Variation.'

**BLECHINGLEY.**—At St. Mary's, on Easter Day a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): G. Kirby 1, L. F. Goodwin 2, A. Wood 3, W. Mayne, junr., 4, T. J. Coppard 5, F. Belcombe (conductor) 6, W. J. Wilson 7, J. Belcombe 8.

#### WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

##### GUILDFORD DISTRICT.

A district meeting was held at Cranleigh, on Saturday, May 27th, 37 ringers being present from Cranleigh, Crawley, Dorking, Dunsfold, Ewhurst, Guildford (Holy Trinity and St. Nicolas), and Shere. Service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. P. Cunningham), and tea was provided in the Church Hut, the chair being taken by Sir Gerald Chadwyck Healey, supported by the Rector, the chairman of the committee, and Ringing Master.

At the business meeting it was decided to hold the summer meeting at Ramore, on August Bank Holiday, subject to the consent of the authorities.

A cordial vote of thanks to the chairman for presiding, to the Rector for conducting the service, and to the organist, was passed.

After the business, four members of the Cranleigh band gave some delightful selections of tunes on the handbells and touches of Grandsire and Stedman were also rung by some of the members present. Ringing on the tower bells was indulged in during the afternoon and evening.

#### A BRISTOL MEMORIAL.

On Sunday, April 9th, the 6th Batt. of the Gloucestershire Regiment marched to St. James' Church, Bristol, where their commanding officer, Lieut.-Col. F. W. Hek (commanding officer of the Battalion), unveiled the parish war memorial. The tablet, which is erected in the south porch of the church, is of handsome design, in bronze with a border of Devon marble, and contains the names of 109 men of St. James' and a suitable inscription. The service was most impressive, the Bishop performing the dedication. Prior to the service, St. James' Ringers Guild rang the bells half-muffled, but owing to the lack of time a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples had to be abandoned, and the bells brought round at 1,187 changes.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS**  
LIMITED,  
**COVENTRY.**  
MAKERS SINCE 1730.

#### RINGERS!

Please send your enquiries.  
**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

#### CHEAP PRINTING.

PEAL CARDS, 3/6 doz. Report Books, Stationery, Balance Sheets, and all classes of General and Commercial Printing at lowest prices. Send stamped envelope for new price list of printing, and support your fellow ringers.

**GOOD BROS.**

31, PRESTONVILLE ROAD, BRIGHTON.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

## The Jasper Snowden Series.

REVISED PRICES.

COPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDRIBB, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

NOTE II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	...	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½ in. 2¾ in. 3½ in. 3¾ in. 4 in. 4½ in. 5 in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 75/- 88/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silver Smith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER, Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING**  
Telephone 171 Woking

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Gold-  
ford, and Published by The Royle House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 586. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, JUNE 9th, 1922

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 8d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### METHOD NOMENCLATURE.

That wonderful compilation of statistics, the Analysis which we published a fortnight ago, will have been studied with interest by our readers, and we hope that the immensity of work which it represents will have been fully appreciated. The details, so carefully collected and so accurately collated, are the labour of more than a year, and the Exercise owes a debt of gratitude to those members of the Committee who undertook the task. It is an exacting business and one which, in normal peal ringing years, calls for a great sacrifice of time and effort. Mr. Arthur King's death is an immeasurable loss, and what it really means to the Committee only those who have shared in the work can judge.

Two points occur in connection with the Committee's analysis and report to which we think we may refer. One was raised by a correspondent this week in connection with the points allotted to Double Norwich Maximus. Are the points allocated to peals on the higher numbers commensurate with the value given for peals on the lower numbers? Speaking generally, we think the twelve bell methods are certainly not too highly rated, compared with the ten and eight bell methods, for, the method apart, it is a well recognised fact that twelve bell ringing is a different 'ropesight' to ten or eight and more difficult to acquire. It might be well if, in the light of the most recent experience, the points allotted were reviewed, and in reviewing them, the opinions of ringers of the widest experience obtained. The present scale was fixed after years of experimenting in values, and it ought not hurriedly to be upset; but there does seem room for a certain amount of revision.

The second point to which we would refer is the naming of the Minor methods. We do not know what induced the Committee to resort to the names of flowers for one section. Perhaps it is that we have already some flower names for old Treble Bob methods; but to further perpetuate this class of title is hardly likely, in our view, to add to the already poor reputation of the Exercise in the choice of name for its methods. What will be the comment of an already mystified public when they read that their local ringers have distinguished themselves by ringing their first extent of Geranium Treble Bob! Such names are neither euphonious nor apt. Admittedly there is a difficulty in selecting a class of names which will not clash with the indiscriminate nomenclature which has gone before, and perhaps the Committee fell back upon flowers as being picturesque as well as being authorised by precedent. There were, however, the alternatives of rivers or mountains, or the far more numerous and still unused county

(Continued on page 354.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 155, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

and place names which might have been utilised, to say nothing of other groups which would have sounded less like the nursery. We agree with the Committee that some central authority should be appointed to control nomenclature in future, and so prevent difficulties arising which may extend beyond Minor methods. We also venture the hope that the new authority, if it comes into being, will aim at something different to such things as flowers in the names of methods. Such titles are not dignified.

### TWELVE BELL PEAL.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5169 CHANCES;**

Tenor 26 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.

GEORGE ORCHARD ... .. Treble	CHARLES GARDINER ... .. 7
FRANK COE ... .. 2	*JOHN W. JONES ... .. 8
*MRS. RAYMOND J. WILKINS ... 3	*SYDNEY HICKS ... .. 9
THOMAS BALDWIN ... .. 4	ALFRED HAMES ... .. 10
JOSEPH DYKE ... .. 5	JOHN BALLENGER ... .. 11
ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 6	CHARLES BARNFIELD ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

\* First peal of Cinques.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

BECCLES, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

EDWIN R. GOATE ... .. Treble	*ALBERT J. LINCOLN ... .. 6
*CHARLES RUSH ... .. 2	ERNEST WHITING ... .. 7
*CHARLES BAILEY ... .. 3	*FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... 8
CHARLES F. SAYER ... .. 4	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 9
CLAYTON PARNELL ... .. 5	FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

Conducted by E. R. GOATE.

First peal of plain ten by all except ringer of tenor. \* First peal on ten bells and first attempt. First peal on ten as conductor. Rung in honour of the King's birthday.

SURFLEET.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, June 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANCES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	*T. REGINALD DENNIS ... 6
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... 2	FRANK HOPGOOD ... .. 7
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 3	ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... 8
JAMES HUNT ... .. 4	FRED WILFORD ... .. 9
HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 5	WILLIAM DICKINSON ... Tenor

Composed by W. T. PATES. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal on ten bells.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

MOORSIDE, OLDHAM.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROCHDALE BRANCH AND OLDRAM ASSOCIATION.)

On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Six Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 10,176 CHANCES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

ASA WILD ... .. Treble	SAMUEL HOLT ... .. 5
FRANK LAWTON ... .. 2	HERBERT BARLOW ... .. 6
ISAAC SCHOFIELD ... .. 3	BEN THORPE ... .. 7
SAMUEL BUTTERWORTH ... .. 4	CHARLES E. PLATT ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. HARRISON. Conducted by CHARLES E. PLATT.

NORTH STONHAM, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

PERCY W. CAVE ... .. Treble	*CHARLES J. FRAY ... .. 5
REGINALD BROWN ... .. 2	EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN... 6
*GEORGE PULLINGER ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. TUCKER... .. 7
FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 4	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Cambridge.

SCOTLAND.  
GLASGOW, LANARKSHIRE.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
At the Cathedral Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;**

*JOHN HOLMAN ... .. Treble	*ALBERT E. WREAKS ... .. 5
*ROBERT J. G. THOM ... 2	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... .. 6
*THOMAS O'HARA ... .. 3	†WALTER N. ASHBY ... .. 7
*EDWARD ASTLEY ... .. 4	†NOEL NORTH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH E. SYKES.

Umpire: CHARLES WILLINGALE.

Rung with the Seage's apparatus affixed, after meeting short for Grandsire Triples, in honour of the birthday of His Majesty King George V, and as a birthday compliment to Noel North. \* First peal of Minor. † First peal. This was the first peal on the bells, in the county and of Minor in Scotland.

CAVERSHAM, OXON.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(St. Peter's Society.)

On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

ALBERT D. CULLOM ... .. Treble	ERNEST W. MENDAY ... .. 5
MISS STELLA DAVIS ... .. 2	GEORGE ESSEX ... .. 6
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 3	RICHARD T. HIBBERT... .. 7
JOSEPH HANDS ... .. 4	WILLIAM HIBBERT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

\* Rung as a birthday compliment to the steeplekeeper, Henry Simmonds, on the eve of the tenorman's 22nd birthday, and the 35th anniversary of the 6th man's wedding day.

TARPORLEY, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Two Hours,  
At the Church of St. Helen,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt. 0 qr. 10 lb.

HARRY LEWIS ... .. Treble	JAMES SWINDLEY... .. 5
EDWARD HARRISON ... .. 2	GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 6
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 3	ARTHUR NEWELL... .. 7
JOHN HAYES ... .. 4	JOHN W. DAVIES... .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING

PULHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

ERNEST WHITING ... .. Treble	ALFRED SMITH ... .. 5
CHARLES T. P. BRICE... .. 2	JAMES BOUGHTON ... .. 6
CHARLES BAKER ... .. 3	*EDWIN R. GOATE ... .. 7
HERBERT PIERCY... .. 4	FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

\* First peal in the method.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

*FREDERICK W. RADFORD... Treble	WILLIAM T. BEESON, JUN... 5
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN 2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 6
HENRY HUTTON... .. 3	ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 7
GEORGE W. STEERE... .. 4	EDWARD RADDON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

\* First peal of Stedman. This peal was rung at the request of the Rector in honour of the King's Birthday.

MONKS KIRBY, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Edith,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S.

Tenor 24½ cwt.

TOM ATKINS ... .. Treble	BERT RIDGWAY ... .. 5
CHARLES W. BRIGGS ... .. 2	FREDERICK E. WILSON ... 6
*ARTHUR WATERS ... .. 3	FRED COTTON ... .. 7
CHARLES W. WEBB... .. 4	†EDWIN RHEAD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. COTTON.

\* First peal of Triples. † First peal. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung in honour of the King's Birthday, also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. C. H. Briggs, wife of ringer of 2nd bell.

BECKENHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
At the Church of St. George,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. Treble	ARTHUR H. PALMER ... .. 5
REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 2	ISAAC EMERY ... .. 6
WALTER SMITH ... .. 3	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN... 7
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN... 4	FREDERICK GROOMBRIDGE ... Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

Rung in honour of the King's birthday.

LUTTERWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Wycliffe Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION.

Tenor 15 cwt.

*CLAUDE UNDERWOOD ... Treble	FREDK. J. HERBERT ... .. 5
JOSEPH B. FENTON ... .. 2	JOSEPH A. FENTON ... .. 6
*ERNEST W. TIPLER ... .. 3	WALTER MALINS ... .. 7
†WILLIAM TAYLER ... .. 4	*GEORGE HERBERT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER MALINS.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the King's birthday. The ringers of the treble, 3rd, 5th and tenor belong to the local band, the rest are from St. Andrew's, Rugby.

STAFFORD.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD  
On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

WILLIAM G. CURTIS... .. Treble	FREDERICK V. HAGGIS ... 5
WILLIAM C. WILSON ... .. 2	JOHN WARRILOW ... .. 6
*WILLIAM H. JONES ... .. 3	JOHN J. TAYLOR... .. 7
*GEORGE BOOTH ... .. 4	†JOHN R. SPENCER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. J. TAYLOR.

\* First peal of Triples. † First peal. Rung in honour of the birthday of King George V. The whole of the ringers are members of the local band.



**PULHAM MARKET, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours,*

*At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,*

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE T. PEGNALL ... ..	...Treble	ALFRED SMITH ... ..	5
ROBERT HARDY ... ..	2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... ..	6
BEN S. THOMPSON ... ..	3	GEORGE MAYERS... ..	7
WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... ..	4	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

**SWEFFLING, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of St. Clement's, Double Court, Plain Bob, Oxford Bob, Kent, Woodbine and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr.

ALBERT J. LINCOLN ... ..	...Treble	WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... ..	4
*JOHN GARRETT ... ..	2	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... ..	5
HARRY HALL ... ..	3	JOHN HALL ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

\* First peal in seven methods 'inside.' First peal in seven methods as conductor.

**STAUNTON-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.**

**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sunday, May 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,*

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 13 cwt.

*REV. G. R. M. ELLWOOD...Treble	WILLIAM H. YOUNG ... ..	4
*PERCY H. YOUNG ... ..	JAMES P. HYETT ... ..	5
EDGAR R. JONES ... ..	JOSEPH T. MORRIS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by J. P. HYETT.

\* First peal. Rung as a farewell peal to the Rev. G. R. M. Ellwood.

**EMBERTON, BUCKS.**

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

*On Monday, June 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of College Exercise, London Scholars', Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob.

HARRY SEAR... ..	...Treble	HARRY GAYTON ... ..	4
CHARLES MORTIMER ... ..	2	ERNEST G. MYNARD ... ..	5
CHARLES W. CLARKE ... ..	3	WILLIAM FREEMAN ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

**BITTESWELL, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

(HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)

*On Monday, June 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb.

CHARLES H. BRIGGS... ..	...Treble	*SAM WHITE ... ..	4
*TOM ATKINS ... ..	2	*FREDERICK E. WILSON ... ..	5
CHARLES H. BRIGGS... ..	3	FRED COTTON ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by F. COTTON.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss S. S. Grundy, of Bitteswell, and Mr. E. Killpack, of Dunton Bassett, the bride having been connected with the choir and Sunday schools for many years. \* First peal of Minor.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.** — On Tuesday, May 9th, in the ringing chamber, St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, 1,056 changes of Grandsire Cinques, on handbells: H. E. Smith 1-2, C. J. Sedgley 3-4, G. E. Symonds (conductor) 5-6, W. P. Garrett 7-8, F. C. Lambert 9-10, F. J. Tillet 11-12.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

**BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.**

**THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN  
ASSOCIATION.**

(ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

*On Sunday, May 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes,*

*At the Residence of Mr. J. LEVITT, 13, MUSTON STREET,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

JAMES LEVITT ... ..	1-2	FRANK LEVITT ... ..	5-6
ARTHUR E. MOORE ... ..	3-4	*FREDERICK SALTER ... ..	7-8

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ARTHUR E. MOORE.

Umpire: FRANK L. HUNT. Witness: W. RICKWOOD.

\* First peal 'double handed.' Arranged for Mr. Frederick Salter, who hails from Thetford, Norfolk.

**HARWICH, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Monday, May 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
At 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,*

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.

Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

This is a new peal and is now tapped for the first time.

**LONDON.**

**THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS**

*On Friday, June 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,  
At 17, RICHMOND AVENUE, WILLESDEN GREEN, N.W.,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

GEORGE M. KILBY ... ..	1-2	CHALLIS F. WINNEY... ..	5-6
WILLIAM E. JUDD ... ..	3-4	*CERIL V. EBBERSON ... ..	7-8

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

Umpire: HARRY KILBY.

\* First peal in hand and first attempt.

**LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE.**

**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Friday, June 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
At Station Buildings,*

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

in seven methods: eight each of April Day, Canterbury, Plain Bob, seven Original, five Grandsire, four College Single and 2 Stedman.

PERCY LANE... ..	1-2	DANIEL T. MATKIN ... ..	3-4
REGINALD HARRISON... ..	5-6		

Conducted by D. T. MATKIN.

First peal in 7 methods by all, also for the Guild and in the County 'in hand.'

**RINGING IN SCOTLAND.**

On Saturday, May 20th, by the Ancient Society of College Youths, after an attempt for a peal at St. James' Leith, 1,136 Bob Major: G. Mann 1, E. Astley 2, W. C. S. Heathcote 3, C. Cleveland Ellis 4, T. O'Hara 5, J. Holman 6, A. E. Wreaks 7, J. E. Sykes (conductor) 8. The attempt for a peal was abandoned on account of the very bad 'go' of the 5th.

At St. Mary's Cathedral, Glasgow, on May 24th, 480 each of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles: J. Holman 1, T. O'Hara 2, E. Astley 3, A. E. Wreaks 4, J. E. Sykes 5, W. N. Ashby 6. The tenor man had never seen a bell rope previous to April 30th last, and rang the covering bell with no assistance, and struck exceedingly well; and, what is more to the point, put the bell in its place.

**ALFRED BOWELL,  
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,  
IPSWICH.**

## BRISTOL—AN ANALYSIS.

By A. YORK-BRAMBLE.

In continuing our examination of the construction of a 'lead,' as it appears in a 'method,' we shall find it convenient to express our discoveries in diagrammatic form, thus:—

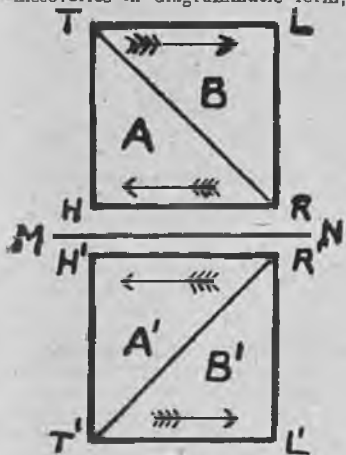


FIG. 1.

The 'last half-block' should be the 'reflection' of the first half-block. That is to say, if we take a pencil and trace out, by means of lines, the path of each unit (or bell) in the block T L L' T', we shall derive a sort of pattern of threads; and this pattern (hereinafter referred to as 'the design') will be found to be symmetrical about the line M N in the diagram; in other words, if the diagram be folded along the line M N, so that T' L' falls along T L, then every portion of the design in the last half-block T' L' R' H' will exactly fit over every corresponding bit of the design in the first half-block T L R H; from which it may easily be seen that a half-block is sufficient to fix the design of any method. Indeed, further investigation will reveal the fact that with methods of a certain character, a smaller division than the half-block (the quarter-block, in fact) is sufficient to fix their design. In proceeding towards this consideration, however, we have one further observation to make; and, since the half-blocks are similar, we will confine our attention to one; the first half-block. The path of the 'exempt unit' (or treble bell) diagonally across the half-block may be regarded as dividing it into 'below' and 'above' portions; marked as A and B respectively, in the first half-block; and as A' and B' respectively in the last half-block. The disposition of similarity of design should be noted; similar portions of the work being segregated above and below the treble's path; and extending from front to rear at the 'parting' of the blocks; and from rear to front at the parting of the half-blocks. All so-called 'single' methods have this characteristic, which plays a most vital part in the matter of extension.

Now, these portions A and B may, or may not, be similar in design. To determine this factor we must examine carefully the disposition of the component parts of the design about the diagonal line T R. Let us take the first half-block (T L R H) of our diagram, and divide it, by means of dotted lines, into four portions as in Fig 2 above.

The horizontal line E F divides the half-block into 1st and 2nd quarter-blocks; and the vertical line X Y divides the whole block into 'fore' and 'aft' parts.

The point O, where the Treble's path actually meets the crossing of these dividing lines should be specially noted in passing, since it demands very special attention in the matter of extension on all numbers which divide into two odd halves—e.g., 10=5+5; 14=7+7. Now, if the 'below' and 'above' portions (T H R and L T) be similar in design, the disposition of similarity will be found to be as indicated by the parallel system of lettering in Fig. 2; i.e., the fore-part of the first quarter-

block (C/D), corresponds with the after-part of the 2nd quarter-block (O/D); and the after-part of the first quarter-block (P') corresponds with the fore-part of the second quarter-block. From which it will be seen that if we regard the quarter blocks as capable of being spun round upon the vertical axis X Y; then, by revolving the 2nd quarter-block through 180 degrees (or half a circle), C'D' will

come to rest immediately beneath O/D; and P' beneath P'; whence, by folding the lower part, or 2nd quarter-block (along the quarter-block dividing line E F) over on to the upper part or first-quarter-block E F L T, we shall find that every bit of design in the lower part will fit exactly over every corresponding bit of design in the upper part. Hence, in the case of methods in which we find symmetry about the diagonal line T R, a quarter-block is quite sufficient to fix the design of the method. Such methods are known to us as double methods.

A reference to Fig. 2 will remind us of the fact that the design in the fore-part T X Y H corresponds exactly with the design in the after-part R Y X L; and thus, obviously, the work of each 'part' extends inwards for correspondingly equal distances from the sides (T H and R L) of the half-block. (Note that there is possibility of intermingling of 'fore' and 'after' work, nevertheless.) All double methods have this characteristic, which plays a most vital part in the matter of extension.

There is one further sub-division of the 'block,' to which we shall refer—the action. In plain methods the section will consist of two rows of symbols (or changes); and in Treble Bob methods, of four; the section being defined by the position of the exempt 'unit' (or Treble bell) among the other units (or working bells), as it moves through each successive pair of places from 'lead' to 'lie,' and from 'lie' to 'lead,' in the block. Thus we can fix the position of every bit of design of a method, relatively to the place occupied by the Treble bell; at every step of its path through half-block, quarter-block, or section.

We are now in a position to apply our conclusions in a practical fashion—to the method of Bristol. Since this is a Treble Bob method, each 'section' will consist of four rows of symbols (changes). An examination of a 'block' in this method at once reveals the fact that it is a 'double' method; and thus, as we have already determined, 'the work of the fore and after parts will extend inwards from both front and rear to an equal degree.' In the case of Bristol, however, we are at once struck with a most remarkable and vital fact, namely, that the extension inwards, of the 'fore' and 'after' work in this double method, does NOT involve intermingling of the work. That is, a unit in the throes of its fore-work never finds itself amongst any of the after-work units (or bells), and vice versa. Hence we call these portions, in Bristol, 'Front Work' and 'Back Work' respectively. Further examination of the Bristol block reveals the fact that the 'Front Work' is linked to the 'Back Work' (and vice versa) by means of a portion (extending right across the block), which may be known as the Transition Work. With these essential characteristics before us, we have now to determine whether the example of 'Bristol' originally given to us (Bristol Major—T.B.) is, in itself an already extended form of some more elementary expression of permutation, on these principles; or whether, with the basic form of Bristol in the Major, with a Treble Bob hunt, there are diminutions or reductions—even with a plain-hunt treble bell.

When this matter has been settled, we shall be in a position to proceed with question of extension of the method from the Major to the Royal; and from the Royal to the Maximus.

(To be continued.)

## A DISPUTED CLAIM.

To the Editor.

Sir,—If your correspondent who sent the report of the peal of Cambridge Royal at Loughborough will refer to 'Bell News,' August 17th, 1907, he will find that a peal of Treble Bob Royal was rung at Loughborough on August 5th, 1907, in 3 hours and 22 minutes in which I took part.—Yours truly,

W. PYE.

## DEATH OF A HERTFORDSHIRE WORTHY.

AN OCTOGENARIAN RINGER.

There passed to rest on Wednesday, May 3rd, in his 84th year, Mr. John Dennis, of Park Lodge, Knebworth, who had been a member of the Hertford County Association for many years. His love for bells and bell ringing was inspiring, and no less for the ringers themselves, for he was a man who found happiness in serving others, and it delighted him always to prepare the bells for any peal band. The writer recalls the words of the late Mr. Bert Prewett, who described him affectionately as 'dear old Dennis.' These words sum up the man, and would form a pleasing epitaph to his departed memory. Thank God, that whilst there are still those who do great exploits, there are also others who in their day and generation 'abide by the stuff,' and equally do His bidding, adding sweetness to those around by the sincerity of their lives. Such was the life of our departed friend.

For well-nigh half a century he had been an employe on the estate of Lord Lytton, and was greatly respected by the family.

The funeral took place on Saturday, May 6th, at St. Mary's Church, and was largely attended, among those present being the Dowager Countess of Lytton, Mrs. Rainey, Messrs. Bateman, Ferris, Grace, Nash, Lawrence, and many others. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. C. C. Lambert. By a coincidence the Hitchin band had arranged for a peal of Double Norwich, so the bells were muffled, but to the regret of all, after nearly three hours' ringing, a shift course brought the bells to stand. To the members of the family is extended a finger's sympathy.

G. W. C.

block (C/D), corresponds with the after-part of the first quarter-block (O/D); and the after-part of the first quarter-block (P') corresponds with the fore-part of the second quarter-block. From which it will be seen that if we regard the quarter blocks as capable of being spun round upon the vertical axis X Y; then, by revolving the 2nd quarter-block through 180 degrees (or half a circle), C'D' will

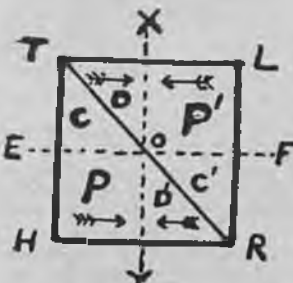


FIG. 2.

'First half-block.'

### LONG PEAL AT OLDHAM.

W. Harrison's 10,176 of Kent Treble Bob Major, rung at Moorside, Oldham, on Saturday week, was the longest length on the bells, and it is believed to be about 90 years since a peal of this length was rung in Oldham. The peal was rung for the jubilee of the dedication of the church, 'go' being called at 8.30 a.m. The first part end came up in 2 hrs. 4 mins.; the second part was rung in 2 hrs. 2 mins., and the last part 2 hrs. 4 mins., the bells coming round at 2.40 p.m.

The ringers were warmly congratulated at the finish of the peal, and were afterwards entertained to dinner by the descendants of the donor of the bells (the late Mr. James Mellodew). The band heartily thanked their hosts for the hospitality. Four of the ringers (Messrs. A. Wild, F. Lawton, H. Barlow and C. E. Platt) belonged to Moorside, and the others were Messrs. I. Schofield, St. Mark's, Glodwick; S. Butterworth, St. Mary's, Oldham; S. Holt, St. Leonard's, Middleton; and B. Thorp, St. Michael's, Ashton-under-Lyne.

### WEATHER BEATS RINGERS.

On Empire Day, May 24th, a company of ringers of the district, assisted by the esteemed Master of the Oxford Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn), met at High Wycombe in an attempt for Stedman Cinques. In spite of the tropical weather which prevailed, the ringers, favoured with excellent going bells and one of the most spacious and cool ringing chambers in the kingdom, had great hopes of a successful peal; but, alas! in the 8th course it became evident the elements were getting the better of at least one of the men on the heavy end, and in response to a distress signal the bells were called home true at 1,306 changes in one hour: J. Hayes (conductor) 1, J. Gransbury 2, G. Twitchen 3, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn 4, R. Coles 5, J. C. Truss 6, F. Boreham 7, J. Evans 8, F. W. Boxell 9, E. R. Coles 10, S. T. Goodchild 11, J. W. Wilkins 12.

### PRESENTATION.

At Eardisland, Hereford, on May 27th, a combined practice was held, when ringing took place in the following methods: Grandsire, Plain Bob and Canterbury Pleasure Doubles and Bob Minor.

A presentation was made to Mr. J. Preece, of Staunton-on-Arrow, of a silver inkstand, in the shape of a church bell, on the occasion of his marriage to Miss O. M. Powell. It was subscribed to by his ringing friends of the Hereford Guild, thirteen towers being included in the list of subscribers. The inkstand bore the following inscription: 'Hereford Diocesan Guild. Presented to Mr. J. Preece, May 11th, 1922.'

Mr. Preece has been captain of the band at Staunton and in honour of the wedding on May 11th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung: W. Davies 1, J. Jones 2, A. Talbot (conductor) 3, J. Stirtion 4, F. Lane 5, J. Miles 6.

### DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Western district was held on Saturday, May 27th, at Chester-le-Street, when upwards of 30 ringers were present. Ringing went on from 3 to 8.30 p.m., with an interval for tea, which, kindly arranged by the lady ringers, was served in the Institute. The touches included Cambridge Surprise, Stedman, Grandsire, Kent Treble Bob and various other methods. The ringers hailed from Whitley Bay, North Shields, Newcastle, Gateshead, Consett, Tanfield and Chester.

### MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On Saturday, June 3rd, the King's birthday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: W. A. Penfold 1, H. Baker 2, W. H. Lambert 3, L. Honess 4, R. T. Lambert 5, G. Kenward 6, G. Billenness (conductor) 7, H. M. Batchup 8.

**KIMBOLTON.**—On May 20th, for practice, 720 of Canterbury Pleasure Minor: J. Fox 1, F. Jaine 2, A. Tomkins 3, A. Owens 4, C. Jaine 5, A. Talbot (conductor) 6. First 720 by 1, 4 and 5. Also 360 of Bob Minor.

**EASTBOURNE.**—At St. Saviour's Church, on Ascension Day, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: W. D. Smith 1, A. K. Gower 2, G. H. Howse 3, A. C. Fankhurst 4, G. W. Stokes 5, J. Sharp 6, E. Gower (conductor) 7, B. Hobbs 8.

**KINGSLAND.**—On May 27th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes): W. Davies 1, C. Law 2, F. Jaine 3, J. Jones 4, A. Talbot (conductor) 5, D. Hammond 6. Rung as a birthday compliment to D. Hammond, who was 84 years of age on the following day.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

— GREAT REDUCTIONS. —

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

### RE-DEDICATION OF LONGHOPE BELLS.

REPLY TO THE ALLEGED COMPLAINT.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In your issue of the 28th ult. was published a letter from Mr. J. Williams, hon. secretary, Forest Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, accusing the 'Barnwood men' of grave discourtesy. As hon. secretary to the Barnwood Ringers, I am in a position to state, that they did not apply for and obtain permission to open the bells of Longhope on the day of re-dedication; therefore, your correspondent's aspersions, however justified, have been cast upon the wrong company. Knowing this, we had intended not to rush into print on the matter, but a letter sent later to our captain asking for the facts, warrants a little effort. I think in vindication of those so accused. I did attend Longhope myself, but as a member of another company, and although not responsible for any arrangements, I think I may safely state the facts, without being accused of 'butting in,' and keeping strictly to facts which, unfortunately, Mr. Williams failed to do.

I was informed, as far back as December, 1921, that the Longhope ringers would be pleased if we would go down to open their bells (incidentally, one of the 'offenders' happens to be a former member of Longhope band). Further communications in similar terms followed in January, March and April, 1922, from the Vicar and another prominent gentleman of Longhope, together with a kind invitation to tea at the Vicarage at 5 p.m. on the 19th April, the day of re-dedication. Arrived there, the bells were raised after tea, three minutes before service which commenced at 7 p.m., were rung for two minutes during service, and the service ended at 8.20 p.m. The opening band then rang a 720 of Plain Bob Minor, two six-scores of Grandsire Doubles, and lowered the bells at 8.55 p.m., which left no time to spare to catch the last train (9.30) for home.

Now for Mr. Williams' demeanour at Longhope. He evidently forgot to mention that he had applied for permission to open the bells, but was told that another band had been engaged previously. This obviously nettled him, as he gave out the impression of having come expressly to cause trouble, for soon after arrival he turned and said to one of our band, 'What business have you chaps got here? I shall want to know something about this.' In fact, he was so aggressive that his manner led one of the Longhope ringers to remark, 'If that is the Association, we're better without it.' Had Mr. Williams been in a better frame of mind, he would probably have remembered things more clearly, as I challenge his statement that a waiting band of anxious ringers entered the tower. I was in the tower the whole of the 35 minutes the bells were rung, and with the exception of one or two Longhope men (not change ringers yet) no other band entered the tower, and although I saw several men peering in, they may have been but interested villagers, as they never attempted to enter. Also, the Longhope men have invited us to pay another visit at Whitsun, and with Mr. Williams' kind permission, we intend accepting their invitation, unless he knows a band that has more right to go there. With apologies for encroaching on your space to such an extent, I am, Sir, yours truly,

ALFRED E. WAITE.

Hon. Secretary, Barnwood Ringers.

### MR. HARRY WITHERS IN TORONTO.

GATHERING OF ENGLISH RINGERS.

By PETER LAFLIN.

The ringers scattered about in Toronto are not likely to forget the occasion when Mr. Harry Withers, of England, in general, and Selly Oak, in particular, came to open the new carillon at the Metropolitan Methodist Church in this city. Mr. Withers officially opened this splendid instrument at 10.30 on April 2nd, and at that time and at 12.30, and thereafter every evening from 7 to 8, he played to an audience of thousands at a time, the side streets being literally crammed with motor-cars belonging to people from a distance, all come to hear this masterly performer on bells. The audiences were delighted with favourite hymns, old songs, and popular melodies, sometimes played simply, and again with such a wealth of harmony as to make even ringers, who knew previously of Harry Withers' powers, to wonder; what shall we say, then, of the thousands whose only previous knowledge of bells was the City Hall clock chimings?

At this point one cannot help congratulating the founders of the peal on the purity of tone in this carillon, coupled with the wish that they had hung an octave of them for change ringing.

However, the change ringers were not disappointed. Five or six of them mustered at each performance to give Mr. Withers as near as real ringers' welcome as we could, and, behold, we were rewarded, for almost the first thing on these bells was a course of Erin Caters, well and, we believe, truly tapped on the back ten. This Mr. Withers repeated on another occasion.

On Wednesday evening, April 5th, Mr. Withers tapped us a course of Double Norwich Major on the back eight. As the tenor is 4 tons in A, it sounded noble, but almost too low to believe. What a pity to have to tap it!

The following ringers met Mr. Withers and spent two or three evenings with him, some of us brushing up our handbell practice a bit: Messrs. C. F. White (late Worcestershire), Fryer (Worcestershire), Boylin (Selly Oak), E. N. Howard (Kent), P. Laffin (Norwich and Ipswich), H. J. Burgess (Herts).

The ringing included 180 Bob Minor, a course of Grandsire Triples (several times), 120 of Grandsire Doubles, which was repeated at a party given in Mr. Withers' honour by an interested gentleman, on Wednesday, April 5th. These touches were performed on a set of handbells, produced by Mr. Chas. F. White, who is living just out of Toronto, and had procured a set of 25 (in chromatic scale) to while away his spare time.

At time of writing I am glad to say that Mr. Withers has been engaged to remain one more week by the donor of the bells, Mr. C. D. Massey. Apparently he is not alone in his desire to hear more bell music, for thousands were again listening for their favourite tunes on Saturday, after it became known that Mr. Withers had not left the city.

The letter is unduly long, but ringing sadly needs a boost in Canada. The papers have published columns on the subject of this carillon, and Mr. Withers' photo is known to all, and the founders have their share of the credit. Now, please, let bell founders in general do their best to persuade church authorities in Canada to hang at least one peal for ringing somewhere in Toronto, and not to lay too much stress on carillons, remembering that if the change ringers of England had never exerted themselves, there would not be too much bell founding going on.

We could get a start here now with the whole city awake to bell music if we had only one peal to practise on. We intend as it is to get some handbell practice as we are able, for it was noticeable last week that our efforts to ring in hand were not marked by perfection's wand. I doubt if Mr. Withers himself could say what Messrs. Laffin and White were doing at times. However, we did our best after being out of practice for some years.

As the wives accompanied us on these ringing expeditions and displayed quite a lot of enthusiasm, we should have no trouble in getting recruits, and, in conclusion, let me say that any ringer thinking of trying his luck in Toronto or near by, is asked to make the fact known either through 'The Ringing World' or direct to P. Laffin, 45, Innes Avenue, Toronto, as a direct effort is being made to locate ringers in this city, and get them together a bit more, possibly for handbell practice to keep alive the old spirit which exists between ringers, and which would die in any other company.

## NOTICE OF LONG PEAL.

### FORTHCOMING ATTEMPT ON THE TREBLE BOB RECORD.

On Whit Saturday, June 10th, 1922, eight members of the Lancashire Association will start for Mr. Gabriel Lindoff's 18,240 of Kent Treble Bob Major at the Parish Church, Mottram-in-Longdendale, Cheshire, starting at 8 a.m.

## HEREFORD GUILD.

Staunton-on-Wye is an interesting parish of 2,376 acres situated on the main road between Hereford-Hay, on an eminence overlooking the Valley of the Wye. The view from the churchyard is extensive and very beautiful. The church, which seats 200, is dedicated to St. Mary-the-Virgin, and is built in the Transitional style, with a fine square western tower and spire, containing a ring of six bells (tenor 14 cwt.), which were repaired and rehung in 1873, during the incumbency of the late Canon Phillott, who was Rector of Staunton for 35 years. The registers date from 1677.

The ringing room contains a well-written peal board recording some change ringing performed on the bells in 1876, soon after they were restored—possibly the first extent of Minor in the county, viz., a 720 Kent Treble Bob, and one of Grandsire, the band being Cheltenham ringers, including a youngster of those days—Mr. G. H. Phillott—who rang the 4th, and, no doubt, had coaxed the remainder of the band to visit his father's church.

On a bright May day, in 1922, another gathering took place at Staunton, when some 22 members of the Clifford district of the Hereford Diocesan Guild assembled in response to Secretary Hyett's notice. Service in the church at 4.30 p.m., with an interesting address by the Vicar, the Rev. R. G. M. Ellwood, M.A. and a tea on the front lawn of the New House, served by Mrs. Jones and daughters, were much appreciated by those present.

The Vicar, who is also a practical ringer, took the chair at the business meeting, at which several new hands and two honorary members were elected. The place of next meeting was decided upon viz., Clifford, in mid-August.

Afterwards the tower was again visited, and Minor and Doubles rung, the following towers having representatives of the rope; Burghill, Madley, Clifford, Ainsley, Allensmore, Bredwardine, Kinnersley and Staunton-on-Wye.

Needless to add, the Vicar and organist, Mrs. Jones and family, were all thanked, on behalf of the Clifford district members, for kindnesses given, and at nine o'clock the stack of twenty cycles were free-wheeling to a lower level and homewards.

W. H. F.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

# THE LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1870**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES. MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

To-day is the anniversary of the first peal rung in America. On June 9th, 1850, a band of College Youths rang Holt's ten-part in 3 hrs. 15 mins., at Philadelphia, Henry Haley being the conductor.

On June 15th, 1851, the first peal of Stedman Caters on handbells was rung. This was at the Osborn Arms, Henage Street, London, the band being John Cox, George Ferris, William Cooter, Mat. Wood and James Dwight. This band except John Cox, rang the first peal of Stedman Triples on handbells, in 1854, and, with Cox and Haley, the first peal of Stedman Cinques in the same year.

Mr. George Pullinger, who rang his first peal of Cambridge Surprise Major on Saturday week, lost his right arm in the war. Although thus handicapped, he is a splendid striker, and long draught does not trouble him.

## SKILGATE CHURCH BELLS RESTORED.

The five bells at the fine old Norman Church of St. John's, Skilgate Taunton, have just been restored, the 2nd recast and a new treble added by Messrs. Aggett, of Chagford. The tenor is a fine-toned bell, cast by the Purdue family, and the 4th and 3rd are dated 1609 and 1612 respectively. The recast 2nd was a Roger Sampson bell. The new treble makes the ring into a fine musical peal of six. The bells have all been hung on the most modern fittings, with massive iron frames on steel joists, the bells turning on Messrs. Aggett's patent adjustable bearings.

## YE PASSING SHOW.

AMUSING COMMENTS ON CURRENT TOPICS.

BY 'ONCE A BEGINNER.'

Good Mistress Peppery did catch me moping midst a pile of recent issues of a well-known weekly: circulation, alas! a long way short of a million, owing, no doubt, to the penurious straits to which its hapless readers are reduced, that they e'en borrow mine; at which the good Mistress Peppery doth wax wroth with me. I would that she did exhaust her spleen on the borrowers, who do pay nothing; not on my poor defenceless pate, but of that more anon.

She did berate me soundly, and did liken my face to wet week in harvest, and did demand to know for why I did look so mournful; and when I did explain in my most lucid manner that I had been at the study of Euclid, ye good Dame did with much vigour suggest that 'twould be better were I placed in some institution for ye curing of strained mentalities. But I did reason with enforced patience with ye good woman, and did explain that ye good and learned Mr. Euclid must have known more about ye noble art than she did wot of: as he did say in his good axioms that 'things that are equal to ye same thing are equal to one another,' whereat she did laugh heartily at what she did call my poor excuses, and did say that she never hoped to make me see reason and did tell me that as a spouse I was like ye famed egg of ye curate, 'only good in parts.'

But I did point out to her that the 'R.W.' showed plainly that ye writers therein knew ye good Euclid to be in ye right, as in ye recent issues each had shown that he himself was ye one of sense and probity, and ye other man was wrong, though ye other man in his writings did say ye self and same thing; whereat good Mistress Peppery did ask how that could be, when a black cat has white whiskers ye puss could not then be black, and I thereon had to go over ye ground a second time to explain to ye perverse woman that if A did ring a peal of ye method known as Double St. Peter Mancroft of the length of 5,874 changes and turn ye tenor bell into ye changes of ye weight of 27 cwt., and if B did ring a peal of ye same intricate method of ye length of 5,701 changes and turn in ye massive tenor of ye weight of 17 cwt., then ye good Mr. B did claim to have done that which ye good Mr. A had not ye abilities to compass, and that ye hapless A had lost. And, moreover, that if ye good Mr. Y did come and ring a peal of ye grand method concocted by ye good Mr. Fabian of St. Benet's of ye length of 6,009 changes, and did turn in ye tenor behind of ye weight of 30 cwt., then both ye good Mr. 27 cwt. and ye good Mr. 17 cwt. had done ye arduous task of ye dodging of ye heavy weights for naught, and ye good Mr. Y had won ye race by a length, having rung into ye next street. And when ye good Mistress Peppery did ask me to explain my vapourings I did show her how the part can sometimes be greater than ye whole, and that did I multiply ye three feats by ye mystic numeral of three ye result would be ye same as to ye ability; whereon ye good woman did ask me to explain to her where all ye water did come from when ye tide did come up, and did get wroth with me when I did say to her, 'Wait till after Whitsun Tuesday and we shall all have ye answer good and plenty.'

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

### TUESDAY'S MEETING AT LINCOLN.

The 29th annual meeting of the Central Council (the second session of the eleventh Council) was held in the historic Chapter House at Lincoln Cathedral on Tuesday, when 56 members were present as follows:—

Ancient Society of College Youths.—Mr. A. A. Hughes.  
Bath and Wells Diocesan.—Mr. J. Hunt.  
Bedfordshire.—Mr. A. E. Sharman.  
Chester Diocesan.—Rev. A. T. Beeston and Mr. W. Bibby.  
Central Northants.—Messrs. E. M. Atkins, D. J. Nichols and F. Wilford.  
Ely Diocesan.—Mr. T. R. Dennis.  
Gloucester and Bristol.—Mr. W. A. Cave.  
Kent County.—Rev. F. J. O. Holmore, Messrs. E. Barnett, senr., and T. Groombridge.  
Ladies' Guild.—Miss E. K. Parker.  
Lancashire.—Rev. Canon H. J. Elsee and Mr. W. E. Wilson.  
Lincoln Diocesan.—Rev. H. Law James, Messrs. G. Chester and R. Richardson, and J. W. Seamer.  
Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan.—Mr. J. W. Jones.  
London County.—Mr. E. A. Young.  
Middlesex County.—Mr. C. T. Coles.  
Midland Counties.—Alderman R. B. Chambers, Messrs. J. Griffin, Pryce Taylor and W. Willson.  
North Notis.—Mr. H. Haigh.  
Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich.—Messrs. G. P. Burton, A. L. Coleman and A. E. Reeves.  
Oxford Diocesan.—Rev. Canon Coleridge, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Messrs. F. Hoppood and J. Evans.  
Peterborough and districts.—Mr. R. Narborough.  
Royal Cumberland Youths.—Mr. J. Parker.  
St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich.—Rev. H. Drake and Mr. C. Mee.  
Salisbury Diocesan.—Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, Major Hughes D'Aeth, Mr. T. H. Beams.  
Surrey.—Messrs. C. F. Johnston and C. Dean.  
Warwickshire.—Mr. H. Argyle.  
Winchester.—Mr. G. Williams.  
Worcestershire.—Messrs. A. E. Parsons and W. Short.  
Yorkshire.—Rev. C. O. Marshall.  
Honorary Members.—Revs. E. W. Carpenter and C. D. P. Davies, Alderman J. S. Pritchett, Messrs. H. Chapman, J. George, J. W. Parker and H. W. Wilde.

The chair was taken by the President (Canon Coleridge), who opened the proceedings with prayer.

The Dean of Lincoln then extended a welcome to the Council. He remarked that it was a critical time for them in Lincoln, for they were hard up, and one of their towers was in danger. As ringers they would sympathise with the authorities, because, he believed he was right in saying, the very creation of a tower was due to the development of bell ringing. If it had not been for the Christian art in which they were all particularly interested they might never have had any towers. In that cathedral, the first chapel he had the pleasure of helping to restore had been called the Ringers' Chapel, and they would find upon its walls the names of the captains of the ringers from the time when ringing developed, down to the days of the Civil War, when many of their fine old windows and beautiful brasses were destroyed. The record of the names was continued from 1913, when the chapel was restored. He hoped they would be satisfied that it had been taken out of the category of a lumber room, and had been restored for Christian worship. The Lincolnshire ringers had in mind the idea of perpetuating those of their number who had fallen in the war by adding to the peal at the Cathedral, which had been recast in his (the Dean's) time. The only thing he would now like to recast was 'Great Tom,' which, he was told, was out of tune with itself. He offered the Council a hearty welcome to Lincoln.

The President expressed the Council's thanks for the welcome given to them, and for his kindness in placing the Chapter House at their disposal.

Apologies for absence were received from the Rev. A. H. Boughey, the Rev. C. E. Matthews, Major J. H. B. Hesse, Messrs. R. A. Daniel, W. R. Small, P. J. Johnson, W. J. Nevard, A. Paddon Smith, W. Lawrence, J. R. Sharman, G. Bolland, A. Roberts, W. T. Cockerill, C. Edwards, W. Shepherd and W. Storey.

The President explained that owing to an important engagement in London he would have to leave early, much to his regret, as he had not missed a meeting since the Council was formed.

It was resolved that Ald. J. S. Pritchett (who is Recorder of Lincoln) should take the chair on the president's departure, and the President humorously remarked that he felt sure that if the Recorder had known he was to preside, he would have come in his silk stockings and full bottom wig (laughter).

The President made reference to the loss which the Council had sustained by the death of Mr. A. T. King, and the members expressed their sympathy with the widow and relatives by rising in silence.

The Hon. Secretary and Treasurer Mr. E. A. Young presented the financial statement, which showed that the year began with £75 10s. 6d. in hand, and that affiliation fees amounted to £12 2s. 6d., interest on stock to £4 5s. 8d., and sale of publications to £2 13s. 8d. The expenditure was £17 6s. 8d., leaving £2 10s. in hand, and a balance at bank of £74 10s.

In reply to Alderman Pritchett it was stated that there was in addition £100 invested.

The Hon. Librarian (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) reported that during the twelve months 469 copies of publications had been sold, against 419 in the previous year. The profits on the sales were £2 13s. 8d., against £3 17s. 9d., but the reduced profit was due to the increased cost of advertising. With regard to the library, it grew slowly, and he now had the records of ringing news from 1871 to the present date, with the exception of five years—1901, 1902 and 1906 to 1909.

Mr. Chapman said Mr. Samuel Wood, of Ashton-under-Lyne, had all the 'Bell News' from the beginning, which he would be willing to give to the library, and the offer of the copies to complete the collection was accepted with thanks.

The Rev. A. H. Boughey, Mr. H. Chapman, Mr. J. W. Parker and the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson were re-elected hon. members, and it was resolved not to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. A. T. King.

Mr. H. W. Wilde made a report for the Peal Collection Committee, stating that the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson was engaged in the proof and checking of peals of Treble Bob with tenors parted.

It was intimated that the typed copies of the Collection of Treble Bob peals were available for loan to any ringer on applying to the Librarian, and paying postage.

Mr. W. Willson presented a report for the Literature and Press Committee, stating that they were on the alert for any Bill inimical to the interests of ringers which might be introduced into Parliament, and that the committee were prepared to give their assistance to any company where any local attempt was made to suppress change ringing.—The report was adopted.

With Alderman Pritchett in the chair, the Council proceeded to the consideration of the Method Committee's report, made by the Rev. H. Law James, who stated that they had been waiting since 1913 for their work to be published, and suggested that in view of estimates they had received, they might be rewarded for their work by having the collection of Plain Major methods published.

On the motion of Mr. J. Griffin, it was resolved that the printing of these methods be proceeded with.

It was also decided to leave to the committee the responsibility of naming the methods or otherwise.

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter presented the Peals Analysis Committee's report, already published in our columns, and this was adopted, Mr. J. W. Parker being added to the committee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. King.

On the report of the Towers and Bellries Committee, the Council confirmed the co-optation of the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, who presented the report (already published), and paid a tribute to the splendid work of Mr. E. H. Lewis in connection with the negotiations with the Society for the Preservation of Ancient Buildings.

The report of the Records Committee was presented by the Rev. A. T. Beeston, and accepted. The question of the publication of the schedule of performances was left over until next year.

Alderman Chambers moved a resolution, that it is desirable to establish in the area of each ringing association a Bell Restoration Fund, from which grants may be made for the restoration of any rings of bells within the area when local funds are insufficient to meet the cost.

A suggestion made by the Chairman that the motion be made to read, 'the county and diocesan associations be asked to consider the possibility of establishing in their respective areas such a fund was accepted by the mover, and in this form the motion was carried.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies called attention to certain references in Snowdon's 'Grandsire' to Holt's ten-part and six-part peals of Grandsire Triples, and produced figures to contradict the assertion that in each case the two halves of these peals began at the same place.

On the motion of the Rev. H. Drake, it was resolved that a card of instructions on the care and use of bells suitable for hanging in a tower be drawn up, the assistance of Messrs. C. Johnston, P. Taylor and A. A. Hughes being sought in the matter.

Another motion by the Rev. H. Drake, that every tower should be officially affiliated to some one society and only one, was defeated by a large majority.

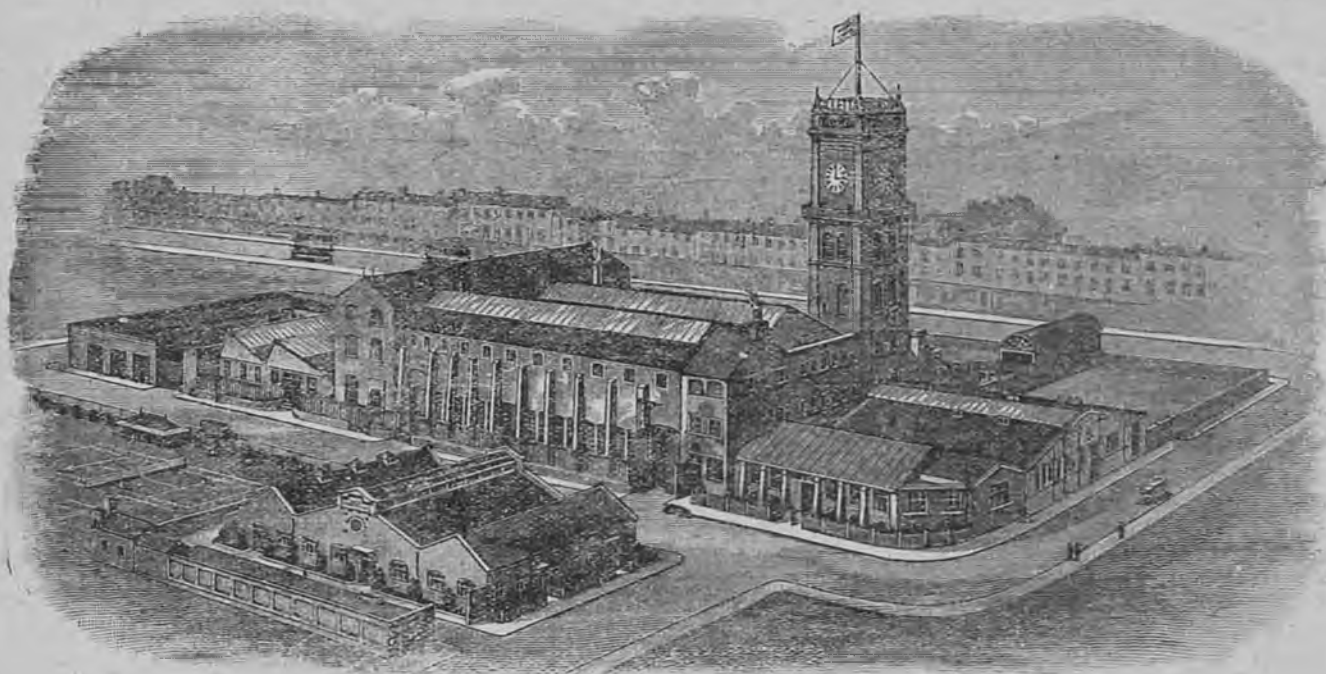
The Council discussed a motion that the Standing Committee 'consider the advisability and practicability of proving and recording all new compositions before being rung or published,' but the proposal was defeated.

It was resolved to appoint a special committee in connection with the exhibit upon campanology at the Science Museum, South Kensington, and the following were appointed: Revs. C. D. P. Davies, C. W. O. Jenkyn and E. Banks James, Messrs. E. A. Young, C. F. Johnston, A. Hughes, Pryce Taylor, and E. H. Lewis.

(Continued on page 363.)

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE SUGGESTED CLEVELAND AMALGAMATION.

## HON. SECRETARY'S PROTEST.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—As secretary of the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association, I feel I must protest against the remarks contained in the last paragraph of your leading article in this issue of 'The Ringing World' of 19th May. You state therein in connection with the question of amalgamation between the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association and the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association that the latter rejected the overtures of the former. This is entirely false. The facts of the case were that representatives of the Yorkshire Association attended a meeting of the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association held last year, and the matter was deferred in order that the Yorkshire Association might define the lines of each association and arrange a further meeting. The only result of this was that the Yorkshire Association decided to let the matter drop.

The facts of the case are very different to what you represent in your article and I shall be obliged if you will give as prominent a place in your paper to this correction as you have done to the original remarks. I would add that if and when the Yorkshire Association have any reasonable proposals to put forward as to amalgamation they will as usual receive the courteous consideration and attention of the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association.—Yours faithfully,

26, High Street,

North Ormesby.

T. METCALFE,

Hon. Secretary.

We readily publish Mr. Metcalfe's letter, but, in endeavouring in our article to show by an example that two associations could work amicably side by side in the same territory, we were quite unaware that we had misrepresented the position. We may be wrong, but we can see little to complain of, and our readers may judge for themselves how far our article was wide of the mark.

In our issue of November 18, 1921, was the report of a meeting of the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association, held on October 22nd supplied to us by Mr. Metcalfe himself. In this report it was stated that the President and Secretary of the Yorkshire Association laid their ideas (for amalgamation) before the meeting, the suggestion being that the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association should be cut into two, one part to be called the North-East Division and the other to be called the Cleveland Division.

The Cleveland men offered strong objection to the present proposals, and no resolution was passed.

The report added that the Yorkshire Association's representatives were asked to give the proposed dividing line between the N.E. and the Cleveland Division, and when that was done the Cleveland Association would further consider the matter.

At a meeting of the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association on April 1st, it was unanimously decided that no further steps be taken to bring about amalgamation with the Yorkshire and the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association, but that the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association continue to work with the Cleveland Association in the spirit of friendship and goodwill which is so evident amongst its members, and to the best of their ability to further the art of change ringing in this Northern area.

Our reference on May 19th was as follows: 'The Yorkshire Association . . . made overtures for the absorption of the Cleveland Association. This proposal was rejected by the latter, and, only a few months ago, a resolution was passed at a meeting of the Northern District of the Yorkshire Association to drop the amalgamation scheme and continue as friendly rivals in the promotion of the art of change ringing.'—Ed. 'R.W.'

(Continued from page 361.)

A resolution of which Mr. J. H. Banks (Lancashire Association) had sent late notice, was formally moved by Canon Elsee to the effect that in future no method be named after a county or county town without the consent of the principal ringing association within the area.

The motion, however, did not find favour, and was defeated.

Several places were proposed for next year's meeting, and Salisbury was eventually chosen.

On the motion of Mr. J. Griffin, it was resolved to communicate officially a report of the proceedings of the Council to the affiliated associations, by sending to each a reprint of the summary appearing in 'The Ringing World.'

It was also resolved that the Roll of Honour of fallen ringers should be suitably inscribed and deposited in the library.

The last two resolutions were put forward upon the recommendation of the Standing Committee.

Votes of thanks to the Dean and Chapter and to the Chairman terminated the business.

The members afterwards inspected the Cathedral under the guidance of the Dean.

A collection during the day, in aid of the Cathedral Restoration Fund, realised nine guineas.

In the evening the visitors were the guests at tea of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, and later indulged in ringing on various peals of bells in the city.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A very enjoyable meeting of the Bristol Branch of the above Association was held at Olveston on Saturday, May 20th, about 50 members being present from Berkeley, Iron Acton, Henbury, Stoke Bishop, Mangotsfield, Slouchcombe, Almousbury, Dursley, Thornbury, Stone, Bristol and Weymouth. Several touches of Stedman and Grandsire were rung before service, which was well attended, and at which the Rev. R. A. Whitford officiated.

An excellent tea followed, arrangements having been made by Mr. and Mrs. G. White.—The Master, in a few well-chosen words, moved a vote of deepest sympathy to Mr. Jesse Tyler in the sad loss of his wife, who was well known among ringers.

The Hon. Treasurer (Mr. F. K. Howell) proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. Canon Fisher for the use of the bells, and to the Rev. R. A. Whitford for kindly taking the service at short notice.—A vote of thanks was also passed to Mr. and Mrs. White and friends for very kindly arranging tea.

Mr. R. A. Pitcher read a letter from the Rev. Canon Fisher, wishing the members a very successful meeting, and expressing his regret at not being with them.

Mr. C. H. Jennings, of Wyke Regis Weymouth, extended the good wishes of the Salisbury Guild to the meeting, and the sentiments were reciprocated. Mr. Jennings, who is at present a patient at the Aston Court Hospital, near Bristol, being asked to convey them to his Guild.

The bells were again set going, and Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob and Double Norwich was rung.

## MR. REUBEN SANDERS' 400 PEALS.

With a peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus at Southwark Cathedral, on May 13th, Mr. Reuben Sanders reached his 400th peal.

Stedman Triples	57
Stedman Caters	49
Stedman Cinques	38
Bristol Surprise Major	51
London Surprise	33
Superlative Surprise	45
Cambridge Surprise Major	28
Cambridge Surprise Royal	32
Cambridge Surprise Maximus	7
Treble Bob Major	14
Treble Bob Royal	7
Treble Bob Maximus	5
Grandsire Triples	16
Grandsire Caters	1
Double Norwich Major	5
Bob Major	4
Norfolk Surprise Major	3
Bob Minor	3
Grandsire Doubles	2
Total	400

## MR. R. J. DAWE'S 350 PEALS.

A recent peal of Stedman Caters at Lewes, by the Sussex County Association, was the 350th peal rung by Mr. R. J. Dawe, a list of which is appended:—

Grandsire Doubles	1
Grandsire Triples	55
Grandsire Caters	17
Bob Minor	2
Bob Triples	1
Bob Major	36
Bob Royal	8
Stedman Triples	59
Stedman Caters	19
Double Norwich Major	25
Double Norwich Royal	1
Kent Treble Bob Major	28
Kent Treble Bob Royal	9
Oxford Treble Bob Major	2
Oxford Surprise Major	2
Gloucester Surprise Major	1
Westminster Surprise Major	3
Norfolk Surprise Major	2
New Cumberland Major	4
Superlative Surprise Major	31
Cambridge Surprise Major	16
Cambridge Royal	1
Bristol Surprise Major	3
London Surprise Major	21
Total	350



# A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**CHISLEHURST.**—On Whit Sunday, June 4th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 39 mins.: T. Phillips 1, J. Ford 2, P. Brett-Smith 3, T. Brett-Smith 4, R. S. Goodchild 5, R. Brett-Smith 6, T. Groombridge, senr. (conductor), 7, F. Groombridge 8.

**PORTISHEAD, SOMERSET.**—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, rung for 7 a.m. service on Whit Sunday, by the following: C. O. Grieves 1, Miss Jukes 2, Miss Stokes 3, Mrs. Harvey 4, A. Gale 5, J. Nisbet 6, W. Gillingham (conductor) 7, Miss Orchard 8.

**BALING, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday, May 28th, at St. Mary's Church, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr., 1, A. H. Fulwell (first quarter on an inside bell) 2, F. W. Goodfellow 3, A. M. Stacey 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, L. H. Page (conductor) 7, F. S. Palmer, senr., 8.

**TRING.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, May 21st, for evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples: H. Bull 1, F. J. Reeve 2, F. Kean 3, F. O. Reeve 4, F. Waterton 5, O. Bayes 6, H. Heley 7, N. Brackley 8.

**CROSTHWATE CHURCH, KESWICK.**—For evening service, on May 21st, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Miss C. Grisdale 1, F. Grisdale 2, Mrs. T. Wilson 3, Fred Hogarth 4, T. Wilson 5, T. Hogarth (conductor), 7 and 8 covering) 6. First 720 in method for ringers 1 and 3, and first attempt.

**NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT.**—On Sunday, May 7th, for evensong, at St. Thomas' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 48 mins.: W. Scott, senr., 1, W. Chambers (conductor) 2, W. Johnson 3, J. Bacon 4, A. Callaway 5, W. Scott, junr., 6, W. Upton 7, J. Leal 8. Rung also as a birthday compliment to the tenor man.

**LONDON.**—At St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, on Sunday, May 7th, for evensong, in 48 minutes, a quarter of Parker's 12 part peal of Grandsire Triples: \*Miss Chapman 1, Miss Hardcastle 2, Miss Orr 3, W. H. Joiner 4, J. S. Higgins 5, A. T. Smalley 6, E. M. Atkins (conductor) 7, Rev. J. H. Ensor 8. \* First quarter-peal.

**GREAT CHART, KENT.**—On Sunday, May 7th, for morning service, 720 Plain Bob Minor, by J. Skinner 1, H. Wollard 2, P. S. Macey (conductor) 3, J. Rose 4, H. Parkes 5, A. Bowell 6.

**WEST HAM.**—At All Saints', on May 7th, for morning service, 575 Grandsire Caters: J. Waghorn, senr., 1, A. J. Neale 2, J. Scoles 3, G. Hayden 4, A. Prior (conductor) 5, W. J. G. Brown (Laxfield, Suffolk) 6, E. D. Smith 7, A. Baynes 8, F. C. Newman 9, J. Moule 10. Composed by J. George, and taken from 'The Ringing World.'

**PENDLETON, LANCASHIRE.**—For evening service at St. Thomas' Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples, in 45 mins.: G. Lindoff (conductor) 1, G. E. Turner 2, S. Wood 3, J. Winterbottom 4, A. E. Pegler 5, S. Greenhalgh 6, H. Chapman 7, H. Greenhalgh 8.

**WATH-ON-DEARNE.**—For evening service, on Sunday, April 30th, a date touch (1,922 changes) of Treble Bob Minor, consisting of 432 Oxford, 720 each of London Scholars Pleasure and Ravstone Delight, in 1 hour 7 minutes, by the following ringers: Wm. Bramham 1, A. Panther (conductor) 2, J. W. Champion 3, H. Chamberlin 4, A. Gill 5, O. Walsh 6.

**GIRENCESTER, GLOS.**—At Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, on Sunday, April 30th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), composed by J. W. Wilkins: F. J. Lewis 1, A. Parsons 2, W. Hayward 3, H. Lewis 4, W. G. Cook (conductor) 5, G. Dore 6, H. C. Bond 7, J. Hayward 8.—On Sunday, May 7, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): F. W. Bond 1, W. G. Cook 2, F. J. Lewis (conductor) 3, W. C. Cuss 4, J. Butler 5, S. R. Hicks 6, H. C. Bond 7, W. Hayward 8.

**SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday, April 30th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters, 1,275 changes, (taken from J. W. Washbrook's alternate tittums and handstroke home position peal), in 50 mins.: J. Armstrong (conductor) 1, N. A. Tomlinson 2, G. Bester 3, W. Pickworth 4, J. E. Miller 5, W. H. Nash 6, H. Miller 7, J. T. Kentish 8, G. W. Fletcher 9, A. G. Crane 10. Arranged for Messrs. Nash and Kentish, of North Mymms, and Hatfield, respectively. It was Mr. Nash's first quarter-peal of Stedman Caters. Double Norwich Court Bob Major: G. Heley 1, F. Ramsey 2, Canon Baker 3, A. G. Matthews 4, F. Baldock 5, A. King 6, J. Marks 7, A. E. Sharman 8. First touch of Double Norwich by the ringers of 2, 4, 5.

**COLCHESTER (St. Peter's).**—For evening service, on St. George's Day, 1,036 Grandsire Triples: F. L. Bumpstead 1, H. T. Pye 2, W. J. Schofield 3, R. W. Stannard (conductor) 4, H. Evers 5, G. Rashbrook 6, W. Chalk 7, C. Lloyd (longest length) 8.

**COTGRAVE.**—On Sunday, April 23rd (St. George's Day), for morning service, 720 Double Oxford Bob Minor: George Allhones 1, W. E. White 2, W. White 3, D. Burton 4, J. T. Dyke (conductor) 5, T. Squires 6. The first 720 in any method by the ringer of the treble.

**BARLEY, HERTS.**—On Easter Day, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Minor (720 Kent Treble Bob, 360 College Single and 180

of Plain Bob): A. Howard 1, W. Mansfield 2, W. Sermons 3, W. Tack 4, H. Howard 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, April 23rd, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. Hayes 1, A. Howard 2, W. Tack 3, W. Mansfield 4, W. Sermons 5, H. Howard (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Plain Bob: N. Hayes 1, W. Mansfield 2, W. Tack 3, H. Howard 4, W. Sermons 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, April 30th, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. Sermons 1, H. Howard 2, A. Howard 3, W. Mansfield 4, W. Tack 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 College Single: F. Hayes 1, W. Mansfield 2, W. Tack 3, H. Howard 4, W. Sermons 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.

**DUNSTABLE.**—Bedfordshire Association.—On Easter Day, for evensong, at the Priory Church, in 48 mins., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): A. E. Sharman (conductor) 1, Canon W. W. C. Baker 2, F. Ramsey 3, G. Heley 4, F. Baldock 5, C. E. King 6, J. B. Marks 7, C. T. King 8. First quarter of Stedman by all except the ringer of 1 and 2. Also first quarter-peal of Stedman on the bells by an entirely local band.

**KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.**—At All Saints' Church, on Easter Day, for evening service, 1,302 Grandsire Triples, being the first three parts of Parker's 12-part, in 45 mins.: A. E. Dollimore 1, L. A. Walker 2, J. W. Lane 3, A. E. Weedon 4, A. J. Rogers 5, R. S. Cook (conductor) 6, A. H. Hill 7, J. Hayward 8.

**CARDIFF.**—At Llandaff Cathedral, on Easter Day, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (from Carter's 12-part): J. Bailey 1, J. Pitcher 2, W. Biss (conductor) 3, F. Bailey 4, T. Wood 5, J. Aldridge 6, C. O. Hobbs 7, A. Rowley 8.

**HAVANT, HANTS.**—On Easter Day, for morning service, at St. Faith's Church, 1,280 Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: W. E. Snell 1, J. D. Harris 2, L. C. Best 3, E. Hedger 4, E. J. Harding, junr., 5, W. Tate 6, F. W. Rogers (conductor) 7, M. Marshall 8. First quarter-peal by ringers of treble and tenor.

**YATELEY, HANTS.**—On Easter Sunday, by the local band, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: A. Goodall 1, W. G. Bunch 2, A. Hearmon 3, G. Butler (conductor) 4, H. Tice 5, J. R. Bunch 6, S. J. Riddell 7, H. Benham 8.

**SAFFRON WALDEN.**—On Easter Day, for service 912 Stedman Cinques: A. E. Pitstow 1, E. A. Pitstow 2, A. F. Jance 3, L. E. Pitstow 4, R. A. Strong 5, H. Pitstow 6, G. Sparrow 7, F. J. Pitstow 8, F. Housden 9, J. F. Penning 10, F. Dench (conductor) 11, W. Parish 12. Also 378, conducted by A. E. Pitstow.

**BEACONSFIELD.**—On Sunday, April 30th, for evening service, 1,260 Stedman Triples, in 46 mins.: Gladys E. Bateman 1, H. Wingrove 2, A. D. Barker (conductor) 3, J. H. Batting 4, R. Buckland 5, C. C. Mayne 6, R. H. Young 7, W. Turner 8.—On Sunday May 28th, for evening service, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major, in 50 mins.: F. W. Buckland 1, H. Wingrove 2, Gladys E. Bateman 3, A. D. Barker (conductor) 4, C. C. Mayne 5, J. H. Batting 6, J. Blackmore 7, R. Buckland 8.

**ACTON.**—St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, April 30th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major: \*E. Easton 1, H. Wincote 2, C. Brown 3, S. D. Breeze (first inside) 4, Robt. Fardon (first in method as conductor) 5, \*R. W. Coulson 6, Robt. Holloway 7, \*Capt. J. R. Mackman 8. \* First quarter in method.

**BARLBOROUGH, DERBYSHIRE.**—For evening service, on April 30th, at the Church of St. James, 720 Violet Treble Bob, in 24 mins., first 720 by the local band in method: R. F. Reese 1, G. Ashby 2, Morris 3, H. Kirk 4, W. Sturman (conductor) 5, P. Hibbard 6.

**CHESTER-LE-STREET, Co. DURHAM.**—On Sunday, April 30th, for morning service, 960 of Kent Treble Bob Major: Miss A. Donison 1, J. Anderson 2, W. F. Pattison 3, J. Selkirk 4, W. Brown 5, G. A. Ward (conductor) 6, F. Sheraton 7, G. Siddle 8.—For evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: G. A. Ward 1, Miss A. Donison (first 720 on an inside bell) 2, J. Anderson 3, J. Selkirk 4, W. Brown 5, F. Sheraton (conductor) 6.

**STRATTON ST. MARGARET'S, WILTS.**—On Sunday, April 23rd, for evening service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. Woodroffe 1, Miss E. Moulden 2, T. Moulden 3, J. Tuckwell 4, G. Lancaster (conductor) 5, W. G. Lancaster 6. First in the method by the ringers of the 2nd and 4th.

**KIDDERMINSTER.**—On Sunday, April 23rd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): N. Davies 1, G. Davies 2, T. J. Salter 3, E. J. Brooks 4, J. Woodberry 5, J. Davies 6, J. George (composer and conductor) 7, C. H. Woodberry 8.

**HARWICH, ESSEX.**—Essex Association.—On Sunday, April 23rd, at St. Nicholas' Church, 1,008 Bob Major: J. Alderton 1, A. T. Morris 2, T. Bernards 3, A. Alderton 4, G. Thompson 5, B. Elmer 6, G. Taylor (conductor) 7, C. Ellis 8.

**DUNSTABLE.**—On Sunday, April 23rd, for evening service, 560 Bob Major: P. Ward 1, F. Baldock 2, F. Ramsey 3, G. E. King 4, G. Heley 5, A. E. Sharman (conductor) 6, E. Harris 7, J. B. Marks 8. Also three leads of Kent Treble Bob.—Recently, for practice, 560

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.****VISIT TO HISTORIC GREAT BEDWYN.**

On Saturday, May 20th, the Marlborough Branch of the above Guild held a meeting at Gt. Bedwyn, an historical but somewhat inaccessible village on the eastern borders of the county of Wilts. Although the former glory of the place has vanished—it was an ancient borough and the scene of many events of national interest—the situation is beautiful, and there are many fine old houses to attract visitors. Wulfhall was the seat of the Seymours and Henry VIII. married Lady Jane Seymour here in 1536. The King visited Wulfhall again in 1539 with his entire Court, so that there have been some stirring scenes in this old-world village.

The Church of St. Mary is a fine cruciform building of the late Norman period, and contains some interesting monuments notably to Sir Adam de Stokke and Sir John Seymour, the father of Lady Jane Seymour. But the bells were the attraction that lured the members of the Guild to this well favoured spot, as their reputation had long been known, but it has been a difficult matter to arrange a meeting there for various reasons. However, on this occasion the difficulties had been overcome, and 16 ringers assembled, the bells being kept going for many hours.

The bells, which go well, were restored by Mr. Thos. Blackburn many years ago, and are well worth a visit, as they form such a grand and historical ring. The first four were cast by Henry Knight in 1671, the glorious fifth by Perdue in 1656, and the noble tenor by Wallis in 1623, the diameter being 52 in., and the reputed weight 28 cwt., the probable weight being 23 to 25 cwt. Altogether they are an harmonious and fine toned peal with the fifth excelling. Larks, the authority on Wiltshire bells, says that for liveliness and clearness of tone they are not to be surpassed by any, and we quite agree.

Several six-courses of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles were accomplished, and a 720 of Bob Minor attempted, but lost in the last part through a shift course.

E. B.

**DEVON GUILD.****PROPAGANDA WORK SUCCEEDING.**

A ringing festival of the Devonshire Guild (Exeter Branch) was held at Otterton on Saturday, May 20th. The proceedings commenced with a hearty service in the Parish Church, conducted by the Rev. E. C. Grimaldi (Vicar). Tea and meeting were subsequently held on the lawn at the Vicarage, amongst those present being Mr. E. Shepherd, chairman of the branch; Rev. E. C. Grimaldi, Rev. J. B. Ball, of Littleham, and 52 members from Ottery St. Mary, Withercombe Raleigh, Littleham, Collaton Raleigh, Topham, Christow, Otterton and Exeter.

Letters were read from the President of the Guild (the Rev. Maitland Kelly) and the district hon. secretary (Mr. N. J. Southwood), both regretting their inability to be present.

Seventeen new members were elected, including the Rev. Canon Boles, Newton St. Cyres; the Rev. F. Knight, Upton Pyne, and the Vicar of Withercombe Raleigh.

The Chairman ably outlined the objects of the meeting, and said that it was held principally for propaganda work, in the hope that it would be the means of spreading the art of change ringing. It was very gratifying to be able to say that the art was being taken up in the country districts with much enthusiasm.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar of Otterton for conducting the service and the incumbents for the use of the bells, were carried unanimously.

Some very good touches were rung on the bells at Otterton, East Budleigh and Collaton Raleigh.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham District was held at St. Mary Cray, on May 6th. Some very good ringing was done in Doubles and Minor Methods up to Cambridge Surprise. The service was conducted by the Rev. A. H. Stevenson (Vicar), who also gave an address.

The members then adjourned to tea, kindly provided by the Vicar, and fully enjoyed by the 24 present. Tea over, the hand-bells were produced, and a course of Grandsire Caters and one of Cinques were rung, the latter by fathers and their sons.

The business meeting followed.—The Vicar, who presided, gave the association a hearty welcome. On their last visit he said, the St. Mary Cray ringers did not belong to the association, now they had a good band all of whom were members.

Four new members were elected, and Eynsford was selected for the meeting in July.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, for his address, for his hospitality, and for presiding; also to the organist for his assistance at the service. The tower was afterwards again visited, and a well-struck 720 of Kent Treble Bob, non-conducted, was rung.

**NOTICES.**

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**ARUNDEL.**—Combined practice, Saturday, June 10th, 6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.—St. Clement Danes, June 12th and 26th. Wilton Road, June 19th, 7 p.m. Sundays at 10 a.m.—St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Near Slough.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on June 22nd; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 13th; Southwark Cathedral on the 20th; \*St. Mary le Bow, Cheapside, on the 27th; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 29th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Rotherfield on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available from 2 p.m.; service at 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. at the Memorial Hall (1/3 per head), followed by the business meeting. A hearty welcome is extended to all ringers.—Geo. W. Stokes, Div. Hon. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Long Ashton, near Bristol, on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea at the Church House at 4.30, followed by a short meeting. All members and friends are invited to Evensong at 6 o'clock.—Edith Smith, 23, Somerset St., Kingsdown, Bristol.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Collingtree, on Saturday, June 10th.—Sidney J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Road, Northampton.

**NORWICH & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Halesworth District.—A meeting will be held at Whenbaston on June 10th. Tea will be provided. Those who wish to be present please notify the Secretary, Mr. Walter Kerrison, of Wissett, or Mr. Geo. Easter, of Whenbaston. The bells will open at 2 o'clock. The bells of Bramfield Town will also be available.—W. Kerrison, Hon. Sec.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Henley District.—A meeting for practice will be held at Stretton on Saturday, June 10th, at 2 p.m. Bells at Holbrook also available.—Rev. Wm. C. Pearson, Dist. Sec., Henley Vicarage.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The Spring meeting will be held at Margate on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available at 3 o'clock.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The Monthly practice has been arranged to take place at Harpenden Tower on Saturday, June 10th. Bells available 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—W. Ayre.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Hartlebury on Saturday, June 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service in church at 4.30. Business meeting to follow.—A. Davies, Branch Sec., 29, Hampton Street, Netherton, Dudley.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Guilsborough District.—The Annual meeting will be held at West Haddon on Saturday, June 17th. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than June 10th.—W. Bott, Hon. Sec., Guilsborough.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Sunbury-on-Thames on Saturday, June 17th, by permission of the Vicar. Ringing from 3 p.m. Will arrange tea for all ringers and their friends if notified by June 12th, for 5/15, at a reasonable charge, and welcome to all.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Colne Parish Church on Saturday, June 17th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m. A special invitation is given to all ringers to attend this meeting to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the Colne Parish Church.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Northamptonshire Branch.—A meeting will be held at Weekley on Saturday, June 17th. Bells ready 2.30. Service 4 o'clock. Tea 4.30. Gentlemen heartily welcome. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than 14th.—Cecil E. Hepburn, Hon. Sec., The Pines, Isham, Kettering.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Whitechurch on Saturday, 17th June. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45. 6d. per head will be allowed towards the cost of tea to all members informing me not later than 13th June.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dist. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Kebworth on Saturday, June 17th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at reasonable charge to all who inform F. Staniforth, Fleckney Road, Kebworth.—H. E. Norman, Sec.

**BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The Monthly meeting will be held at Monk Bretton on Saturday, June 17th. Bells ready 2.30. Tea will be provided for those who apply before the 13th to Mr. T. Richardson, Monk Bretton, nr. Barnsley.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (Newbury Branch) will hold their summer meeting at Bucklebury on Saturday, June 17th. Special preacher, Canon Coleridge. Will intending visitors kindly notify the Hon. Sec., Rev. E. M. Thorp, Bucklebury Vicarage, Reading.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Tickhill on Saturday, June 17th. Bells (8) ready at 2 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea (1/6 each) at 5.30 to those who notify Mr. W. H. Dale, Westgate, Tickhill, near Rotherham, by Wednesday, June 14th. The annual report will be on sale, and members are reminded that subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—F. Clark, Hon. Sec.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—The Quarterly meeting of the Western Division will be held at Skipton on June 17th, when the bells will be available all day for ringing. Tea will be at Dunford's Cafe, 9, Otley Street, at 5 p.m., at a charge of 1/6 each to all who notify Mr. W. Billows, 8, Granville Street, Skipton, not later than first post Tuesday, June 13th. Full particulars on circular.—F. Hopwood, Hon. Dist. Sec., 8, Keswick Street, Bradford.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Burbage, near Buxton, on Saturday, June 17th.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Meeting will be held at St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, on Saturday, June 17th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 5.15 p.m. Tea at St. Andrew's Hall, Wells Street, at 6 p.m. Business meeting and ringing to follow. Will all requiring tea advise me by the 13th (latest)? All are welcome.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Dis. Sec., 57, Market Street, W.2.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The president and Mrs. Back extend a hearty invitation to all members of the Guild to visit Berkswell on Saturday, June 17th next. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Will all members who intend making the journey kindly let me know by June 14th in order that Mrs. Back may know the number to provide for? — A. Wilkerson, Hon. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be at Appledore on Saturday, June 17th. The bells will be available from 2 p.m. Tea will be arranged.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Billingshurst on Saturday, June 17th. Tower open from 2.30, tea at 5 o'clock. All those who intend being present kindly advise me not later than the 14th.—A. W. Groves, Div. Sec., 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—By kind permission of the Dean the next quarterly meeting will be held at Ripon on June 17th. Bells of the Cathedral (10) will be available from 11 a.m. to 4.45 p.m., and after tea till 9 p.m. The peal of 8 at Ebnar, about a mile from Ripon Station, will be available for ringing all day. Service at 5 o'clock, with an address by the Rev. C. M. Owens, Dean of Ripon. Tea at Wright's Cafe, 2s. 6d. per head. Will all requiring tea please notify Mr. T. Tingle, 31, North Street, Ripon, without fail not later than Wednesday, June 14th? The headquarters for the day will be the Cathedral Hall, where a committee meeting will be held at 4 o'clock. The secretary extends a hearty invitation to all ringers.—A. L. Henderson, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Coalpit Heath on Saturday, June 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Business meeting to follow. Please notify branch secretary by June 12th.—P. C. Williams, 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A mid-week meeting will be held at Finchley on Thursday, June 22nd. Bells available from 7 to 9.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.



**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Framlingham District.—A Practice meeting will be held at Worlingworth (8), Bedfield (6), and Earl Soham (6), June 24th. Bells available 3—9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—V. E. Kerridge, Hon. Sec.

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bedwas on Saturday, June 24th (bells 6). Service at 4.30. Business meeting to follow.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS** (Estab. 1623).—The 299th anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Tuesday, June 27th. Bells are open all day, commencing at 9 a.m. Short service at 1 o'clock in the church. All ringers are cordially invited.—R. A. Strong, Hon. Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Hersham, Surrey, on Saturday, 8th July. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30 p.m. Tea in the Church House at 5 p.m.—W. A. Woodrow, Rydens Grove, Hersham (for Hon. Sec., Geo. Miles).

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. William Pye has removed to 74, Cecil Road, Leytonstone, E.11.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### INVITATION.

J. W., Masters Gerald and Malcolm Moorhouse and Miss Olive L. Lumley would be pleased to meet any ringers who care to call at Rockbourne, 70, Derby Road, Douglas, from the 23rd to the 30th inst. If any handbell ringer has an hour to spare when in Leeds they would be pleased to see him at 10, Mitford Road, Armley, Leeds.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Clerk, ex-service (24), seeks situation. London or Warwick districts preferred (not essential). Experienced book-keeper, storekeeper, typist. Ring Surprise 8 bells. Accept low salary to get with good band. Excellent refs.—Box 4, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

Beautiful set of 21 HANDBELLS for Sale. Price £10. — J. Ward, Latchmere, Worthing Road, Basingstoke.

Peal of 12 Handbells in A. Condition as good as new. Just the thing for tower work.—Apply, Mrs. Trinder, Green Lane, Church Street, Upper Walmer.

#### PUBLICATION.

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**WILTON, TAUNTON.**—For Divine service, on Ascension Day, two 720's Cambridge Surprise Minor: G. Coles, S. Wyatt, A. Hayward, P. Merson, J. Hunt (conductor); and another by S. Wyatt, A. S. Boar (Ipswich), A. Wyatt, G. Coles, J. Hunt, A. Hayward (first Surprise as conductor).



## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).

## W. ACGETT & SONS, Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. — Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. — CLOCKS FIXED.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER.** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and Number Required, also Weight of Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
**COVENTRY.**

#### CHEAP PRINTING.

PEAL CARDS, 3/6 doz. Report Books, Stationery, Balance Sheets, and all classes of General and Commercial Printing at lowest prices. Send stamped envelope for new price list of printing, and support your fellow ringers.

GOOD BROS.

31, PRESTONVILLE ROAD, BRIGHTON.





# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowden Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDEURE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the Hon. LIBRARIAN:

REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION...	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY	...	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods)	...	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	...	1 0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker,

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2 1/2 in.	2 7/8 in.	3 1/4 in.	3 7/8 in.	4 in.	4 1/2 in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	95/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 85/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/8 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 587. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING.

Last week's meeting of the Central Council at Lincoln was, in one respect at any rate, conspicuously successful. Although the fact that the ancient city where the meeting took place was rather far afield for many of the members, and only 56 attended, the business transacted was interesting, and, generally speaking, progressive. There was a long agenda, but, thanks to the businesslike ability with which both the chairmen of the day conducted affairs, the programme was completed with sufficient time to spare to enable the visitors to be shown round the Cathedral by the Dean before they sat down to tea.

The principal part of the morning session was occupied with considering the Committees' reports, and it is good to note that in practically all cases, progress had been made during the year with the work which is entrusted to these bodies. Although the Council, two years ago, went to the trouble of having the collection of peals of Treble Bob typed, and much labour was spent upon the task, only one application for the loan of a volume had been received by the librarian. This volume of peals contains most of what is best in these compositions, and with the large number of Treble Bob ringers that there are throughout the country, we should have thought much greater use might have been made of the collection. The fact that only one call was made for the volume rather goes to prove that ringers have already got sufficient compositions of this character, and except that a number would have purchased copies to add to their existing collection of ringing books, we doubt if there would have been a very large sale if the publication had been printed. In the circumstances therefore, the Council appear to have been well justified in not going to the expense of printing. At the same time, we should like to see more ringers taking advantage of the opportunity of examining the collection, and taking from it any compositions that appeal to them.

For the first time for some years the Literature and Press Committee had something to report. But it was only the persistent energy of Mr. Willson which enabled this to be done, otherwise, apparently, we should have to report that for yet another year this Committee had failed to do any work. The feature which Mr. Willson and the new members are more particularly interested in is that of 'Ringing Defence,' and they have laid the plans which they think best suited to possible future requirements.

As was pointed out by the Secretary of the Salisbury Guild, the important point to remember is that local ringing associations should be very much on the alert to see that any regulations inimical to the use of bells should

(Continued on page 370.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

**JOHN NICOLL,**  
Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

**Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

not be introduced into any special by-laws which should be granted to local authorities by the Ministry of Health. Ringers will do well to keep this point constantly before them, as temporary lapses might easily result in bells being included in some arbitrary by-law for the suppression of nuisances.

### TWELVE BELL PEALS.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Monday, June 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 38 cwt.

HERBERT LANGDON ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM A. ALPS ... .. 7
FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... .. 2	JAMES WILLSHIRE ... .. 8
*CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... .. 3	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... .. 9
*WILSON RUSHTON ... .. 4	WILLIAM E. GARRARD ... .. 10
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 5	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 11
ROBERT A. FARDON ... .. 6	*JAMES H. RUMLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

\* First twelve bell peal.

LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Four Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR, SOUTHWARK,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES;**

Tenor 50 cwt.

HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. Treble	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. ... .. 7
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 2	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 8
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 9
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 10
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 5	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... .. 11
WILLIAM HEWETT ... .. 6	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on 12 bells by the Association.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.

*HARRY HILL ... .. Treble	*WILFRED H. BUXTON ... .. 6
HENRY LETTS ... .. 2	JOHN FLOWER ... .. 7
*JOHN W. GLEW ... .. 3	*HENRY FLETCHER ... .. 8
*J. ARTHUR ORGILL ... .. 4	*WILLIAM A. PARSONS ... .. 9
*WILLIAM POYSER ... .. 5	†JOSEPH LORD ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. D. CROFT. Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

\* First peal of Royal. † First peal of Kent Royal.

LEEDS, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

STANLEY B. DOBBIE ... .. Treble	CLERK-SGT. J. BENNETT ... .. 6
*PERCY J. SPICE ... .. 2	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... .. 7
ERNEST J. DOBBIE ... .. 3	WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 8
CHARLES WINNER ... .. 4	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... .. 9
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 5	WILLIAM J. WALKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,  
IPSWICH.



AYLSHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

BEN S. THOMPSON ... .. Treble	ERNEST WHITING ... .. 6
*ROBERT HARDY ... .. 2	†ALFRED SMITH ... .. 7
GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 3	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 8
WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 4	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 9
JOHN MOY ... .. 5	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal of Kent on an 'inside' bell. † First peal of Royal.

WORCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH AND THE ALL SAINTS' YOUTHS.)

On Monday, June 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt.

*ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. Treble	WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 6
FRANCIS W. NEATE ... .. 2	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. 7
GEORGE HINTON, JUN. ... .. 3	WILLIAM C. JONES ... .. 8
*SIDNEY HOLT ... .. 4	JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... .. 9
*THOMAS WALTERS ... .. 5	*CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN A. BURFIELD. Conducted by W. PAGE.

\* First peal of Royal. First peal of Surprise Royal by the rest of the band, on the bells, in the city of Worcester and by the Western Branch. Rung as the quarterly peal for the Western Branch.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

ALFRED J. TURNER ... .. Treble	ARTHUR T. VERRELLS ... .. 6
ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... .. 8
STAFFORD H. GREEN ... .. 4	ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 9
EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... .. 5	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF SPLIDED TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. Treble	A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... .. 6
WILLIAM LAMBERT ... .. 2	WILLIAM T. PALMER ... .. 7
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... .. 3	*JAMES F. GEORGE ... .. 8
GEORGE HOLLIS ... .. 4	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. 9
WILLIAM BIGGIN ... .. 5	WALTER ALLWOOD ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

\* First peal of Royal. First peal of Spliced Treble Bob Royal by all, and believed to be the first ever rung. This is Mr. A. Knights' 200th peal on the bells.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. Treble	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 5
ERNEST GOWER ... .. 2	ALFRED J. TURNER ... .. 6
OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 3	KEITH HART ... .. 7
ALFRED W. GROVES ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. STENNING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

Rung after meeting short for Surprise.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

LAWRENCE POULSON ... .. Treble	STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... .. 5
FRANK TURNER ... .. 2	FREDERICK SALTER ... .. 6
*HARRY D. LISTER ... .. 3	ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. 7
*KEITH WHITTELL ... .. 4	FREDERICK POULSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. J. H. PILKINGTON. Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

\* First peal in the method and hail from Bildeston, Suffolk. F. Salter belongs to Thetford, Norfolk.

CARDINGTON, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

JOHNSON'S VARIATION OF MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 22 cwt.

HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. Treble	ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... .. 5
WILLIAM STAPLETON ... .. 2	HERBERT L. HARLOW ... .. 6
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 3	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 7
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 4	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

First peal in the method by all except ringers of the 2nd and tenor.

First peal rung in the method in Bedfordshire by all resident members.

ALDERMASTON, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(BRADFELD DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

*GEORGE PARSONS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM CLARK ... .. 5
*MISS STELLA DAVIS ... .. 2	CHARLES GILES ... .. 6
JAMES ABERY ... .. 3	WALTER A. WEBB ... .. 7
*JOHN BOWER ... .. 4	JOSEPH RICHARDSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON.

Conducted by CHARLES GILES.

\* First peal of Bob Major.

HOUNSLOW, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 8½ cwt.

DAVID G. ARCHER ... .. Treble	JOSEPH MILNER ... .. 5
CHARLES J. TRICKER ... .. 2	ARTHUR HARDING ... .. 6
ALBERT DISERENS ... .. 3	GEORGE SPENCER ... .. 7
FREDERICK G. GODDARD ... .. 4	HARVEY T. BEADLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE SPENCER.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Nancy Milner, elder daughter of the ringers of the 5th, to Mr. Harold Rawsthorne, of Bolton, Lancs, who were married on the above date at Harrow.

COLSTON BASSETT, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 22½ cwt.

*JOHN R. BARTRAM ... .. Treble	†HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 5
FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 6
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 3	R. HENRY BARTRAM ... .. 7
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 4	JOHN OLDEHAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN OLDEHAM.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First peal of Cambridge. First Surprise peal on the bells. H. Broughton's 100th peal. Rung in honour of the King's birthday, and as a birthday compliment to F. H. Dexter.



BIRCH-IN-RUSHOLME,  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(MANCHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

BANKS' SIX-PART.		Tenor 14 cwt.	
J. IDLE ... ..	Treble	R. F. DEAL ... ..	5
G. SNOWBALL ... ..	2	F. STONELEY ... ..	6
W. H. SHUKER ... ..	3	G. H. COLLIER ... ..	7
A. FROST ... ..	4	W. JOHNSON ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by F. STONELEY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. E. Ryder, the respected captain of this tower, who hospitably entertained the ringers after the peal.

WELLINGTON, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

*JOHN H. HAYWARD ... ..	Treble	BERT RIXOM ... ..	5
ALFRED S. BAYLEY ... ..	2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... ..	6
WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... ..	3	WALTER LAGO ... ..	7
WILLIAM WASE ... ..	4	JAMES L. HAYWARD ... ..	Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM SAUNDERS.

\* First peal. Rung in honour of the King's birthday. It is 24 years since a peal of Triples was rung on the bells.

BENSON, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

F. STEDMAN WHITE ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM HUTTON ... ..	5
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN. ... ..	2	RICHARD G. RICE ... ..	6
WILLIAM G. DAVIS ... ..	3	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN. ... ..	7
RICHARD WHITE ... ..	4	FRED WHITE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by G. HOLIFIELD, JUN.

First peal on the bells since they were rehung with all new fittings. The 3rd was recast. The work was carried out by Mr. R. White, of Appleton, and the 'go' is all that can be desired.

CHESTER, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM CLARKE ... ..	5
EDWARD HARRISON ... ..	2	JAMES MORGAN ... ..	6
JOHN W. DAVIES ... ..	3	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... ..	7
FRANK FOX ... ..	4	GEORGE R. JONES ... ..	Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING

Rung in honour of the King's birthday and the birthday of Mr. James Swindley.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, LEISTON.)

On Monday, June 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

LEONARD P. BAILEY ... ..	Treble	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... ..	5
ALFRED KEEBLE ... ..	2	ERNEST S. BAILEY ... ..	6
JAMES M. BAILEY ... ..	3	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... ..	7
GEORGE WILSON ... ..	4	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal in the method on the bells.

AYLESFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM SPICE ... ..	5
*LEONARD MANNERING ... ..	2	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... ..	6
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... ..	3	WILLIAM J. WALKER ... ..	7
CLER.-SGT. J. BENNETT ... ..	4	HERBERT E. ADESLY ... ..	Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

\* First peal of Double Norwich.

SOUTHWOLD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

EDWIN R. GOATE ... ..	Treble	*FREDERICK WADE ... ..	5
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... ..	2	*GEORGE LEE ... ..	6
CHARLES F. SAYER ... ..	3	ALBERT J. LINCOLN ... ..	7
*CHARLES RUSH ... ..	4	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

Conducted by E. R. GOATE.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Major. First peal of Treble Bob as conductor.

NORWICH.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER MANCROFT,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 43 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb.

*ROBERT HARDY ... ..	Treble	GEORGE MAYERS ... ..	5
CHARLES E. BORRETT ... ..	2	FRANK R. COPEMAN ... ..	6
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... ..	3	GEORGE H. CROSS ... ..	7
BEN S. THOMPSON ... ..	4	FREDERICK W. CURTIS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples. Arranged and rung in honour of the marriage of Miss A. May Durrant to Mr. Francis McHugh, which took place at the above-named church on this date. Miss Durrant is a much respected member of this Guild and all the ringers wish her happiness in her new life. This was the 100th peal in which Fredk. J. Howchin and George H. Cross have taken part together. Douro T. Potter rung the tenor for the last 35 minutes of this peal.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

JAMES M. BAILEY ... ..	Treble	*FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... ..	5
*FRANCIS S. WILSON ... ..	2	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... ..	6
GEORGE WILSON ... ..	3	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... ..	7
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... ..	4	CHARLES SAMFSON ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

\* 40th peal. † 100th peal. This peal was arranged for Mr. F. S. Wilson, of Diss, Norfolk.

HINGHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE MAYERS ... ..	Treble	BENJAMIN HAMMOND ... ..	5
*GEORGE T. PEGNALL ... ..	2	WALTER CHANDLER ... ..	6
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... ..	3	JOHN A. GODFREY ... ..	7
GEORGE H. CROSS ... ..	4	WILLIAM E. BASON ... ..	Tenor

Composed by the late JOHN COX.

Conducted by G. H. CROSS.

First peal of Treble Bob Major by the ringer of the 5th, for whom this peal was arranged. \* First peal of Kent.

**KENT TREBLE BOB RECORD.**MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, CHESHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Eleven Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael.**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 18,240 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

EDWARD JENKINS... .. Treble	RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 5
SAMUEL WOOD ... .. 2	HARRY CHAPMAN... .. 6
THOMAS B. WORSLEY... .. 3	ARTHUR E. PEGLER ... .. 7
ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 4	GABRIEL LINDOFF ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

HOLBEACH, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.On Thursday, June 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.

REV. H. LAW JAMES ... .. Treble	JOHN G. AMES ... .. 5
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 2	HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 6
ROBERT RICHARDSON ... .. 3	JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 7
JOHN B. HALLIFAX ... .. 4	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES. Conducted by R. RICHARDSON.

WROTHAM, KENT.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. George,**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt. 0 qr. 10 lb.

HENRY R. NEWTON ... .. Treble	PERCY E. CLARK ... .. 5
WILLIAM HAIGH ... .. 2	ALBERT A. HUGHES ... .. 6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 3	ALAN R. MACDONALD... .. 7
FRED M. MITCHELL ... .. 4	GEORGE MORRARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

Arranged for and rung as a compliment to Fred M. Mitchell.

LOUGHBOROUGH.

On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,  
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 6½ cwt.

JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. Treble	THOMAS H. VALLANCE ... .. 5
SHIRLEY BURTON... .. 2	JOHN EVANS ... .. 6
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 3	*REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... .. 7
FRYCE TAYLOR ... .. 4	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

\* First peal in the method 'inside.' Rung to oblige J. Evans who hails from Hughtenden.

EPSOM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
At Christ Church,**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

MRS. A. CLARK ... .. Treble	HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 5
*JAMES COOPER ... .. 2	WILLIAM ESSERY... .. 6
*CHARLES KIPPEN, JUN. ... .. 3	AMOS W. CLARK ... .. 7
ERNEST A. REEVE ... .. 4	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

\* First peal of Bob Major. The ringer of the 4th was elected a member of the Association.

SEELY OAK, BIRMINGHAM.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb.

LESLIE G. CARTWRIGHT ... Treble	C. HOWARD STANLEY ... .. 5
GEORGE F. GARRISON... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 3	WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT... .. 7
WILLIAM H. BALL ... .. 4	THEODORE RUSSELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT.

This peal was arranged for Mr. Daniel T. Matkin, of Ludlow, Salop, who was elected a member before starting.

WANDSWORTH.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sunday, June 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

HERBERT LANGDON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM S. LANGDON ... .. 5
LOUIS ATTWATER... .. 2	JAMES WILLSHIRE ... .. 6
CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 3	WILLIAM S. SMITH ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. PASMORE ... .. 4	JAMES H. RUMLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

This peal was rung for Divine service in the evening of the first Sunday after the rededication of the bells. The ringers and friends were afterwards entertained to tea. It is believed to be the first peal of Stedman on the bells.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**WOLVEY, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.  
(THE NUNEATON SOCIETY.)On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Cambridge Surprise and 1,440 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.

CHARLES DRAPER ... .. Treble	WALTER J. HORTON ... .. 4
ERNEST STONE ... .. 2	ABRAHAM WILKERSON... .. 5
THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... .. 3	JAMES F. CLARKE, JUN. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ABRAHAM WILKERSON.

First peal of Minor on the bells.

UPTON BISHOP, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's.

Tenor 20 cwt.

ARTHUR J. LEWELLYN ... Treble	ALFRED T. POULTON ... .. 4
JOHN CLARK ... .. 2	EX-SGT. J. WILLIAMS... .. 5
FRANK VOYCE ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**OHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Two Hours Twenty-Six & a half Minutes,  
At the Residence of M. SMITHER,**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S ODD AND EVEN BOB ONE-PART.	Tenor size 18 in G.
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 1-2	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 5-6
MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 3-4	GEORGE W. STREBE ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

Umpire: ARTHUR J. BARTLETT.

Witnesses: MRS. SMITHER, MRS. HAZELDEN and MRS. POLLING.

The umpire ticked off each bob and course end. Rung after three previous attempts of 1 hour and 10 minutes, 1 hour and 40 minutes and 2 hours and 10 minutes. This is the first time this composition has been rung 'in hand.'

**Bell Ropes**

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

## BIRMINGHAM.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
In St. Martin's Church Belfry,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

PERCY O. LAFLIN ... .. 1-2	ALBERT WALKER ... .. 7-8
THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 4-4	WILLIAM KENT ... .. 9-10
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 11-12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.  
Referee: F. H. BANKS.

SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Sunday, June 11, 1922, in One Hour and Forty-Six Minutes,

At MALVERN VILLAS, NEW ROAD,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 10 six-scores of Plain Bob and 32 of Grandsire.

DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 1-2	EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... .. 3-4
JOHN MARTIN ... .. 5-6	

Conducted by EDGAR C. SHEPHERD.

This peal was specially arranged for Mr. Matkin, who was on a visit from Ludlow, and it was his 25th peal.

LADIES' GUILD.  
WESTERN DISTRICT.

The quarterly meeting was held at Long Ashton, near Bristol, on Saturday, June 10th. There were about 30 members and their friends present. They were made very welcome by the Vicar and the ringers of Long Ashton. Special thanks are due to Mr. Yeo, and to the ladies who so kindly arranged tea in the Church House, to the Vicar for conducting the service, and to Miss Orchard, of Portishead, for acting as organist. The Guild were delighted to have an old friend, Mrs. John Thomas, among them again.

It is hoped to hold an intermediate meeting for practice at Clapton-in-Gordano on Wednesday evening, July 12th, and to arrange the next quarterly meeting in Bath on (if possible) the third Saturday in September.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
EASTERN DIVISION.

A quarterly meeting was held at Rotherfield on Saturday, June 10th, when members from the following towers attended: Brighton (St. Peter's), Eastbourne (St. Saviour's), Mayfield, Rotherfield, Leves and Tunbridge Wells. Mr. Frank Bennett, of Brighton, and Mr. H. Parkes, of Mersham, Kent, were also present.

The bells, which are a very fine peal, by Mears and Stainbank, were put in motion by 2.30 p.m., and good practice was had in methods ranging from Grandsire Triples to Double Norwich Major. Divine service was held at 4.30 p.m., a short address being given by the Rector (the Rev. A. F. Thornhill, M.A.). The collection was in aid of the Sussex County Diocesan Bell Restoration Fund. Afterwards 27 sat down to tea in the War Memorial Hall, and the business meeting followed.

Mr. W. D. Smith having been voted to the chair, the following new members were elected: Messrs. W. Smith, Reg. Holden, W. Rogers, Stanley Saunders, F. Holmwood, C. Brasier, junr. (of Rotherfield), and Mr. Harry Parkes, of Mersham, Kent, as a non-resident life member. The election of Mr. Elwin Charman was also confirmed. It was proposed by Mr. A. R. Miles, and seconded by Mr. Ross, that the next quarterly meeting be held at Waldron, and this was carried unanimously.

Mr. G. W. Stokes (the hon. secretary) proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector (the Rev. A. F. Thornhill, M.A.) for the use of the bells and his address at the service, and also to Mr. Brasier for the trouble he had taken in arranging the meeting.—This was supported by Mr. A. R. Miles.—Mr. G. H. House proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. W. D. Smith for presiding at the business meeting.

Mr. Smith, in responding, stated that he was pleased to see that the Eastern Division had come forward and initiated the Sussex County Bell Restoration Fund, by making a collection at the service that day, especially so as it had been moved as a resolution at the recent Central Council meeting that it was desirable to establish a Bell Restoration Fund in each ringing association area. He was more than pleased to see that the members had somewhat anticipated this.

This terminated the meeting, and the members then returned to the tower and enjoyed further touches on the fine ring of bells.

## FALSE PEAL.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I am sorry to have to give notice that the peal of Bob Royal, rung at Beccles on June 3rd, 1922, and published in the 'Ringing World' last week was false.

I should also like to warn other conductors that the peal, by Henry Dains, in the C.C. Collection, Section II., No. 21, is the false composition, and would advise them to mark same.—Yours faithfully,  
EDWIN R. GOATE.

Smallgate, Beccles.

## 'SURPRISE' MEETING.

To the Editor.

Sir,—In your issue of May 26th, I see report of a 'Surprise' meeting at Sevenoaks on May 20th. I read this with great interest, and would like to see the idea carried out by other associations. It cannot fail to lead to a more general practice of the Surprise methods. I consider the idea a good one.—Yours truly,  
'WEST RIDING.'

## CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting was held in Northampton on Whit Monday, June 6th.

The proceedings opened at 10.30, when the Vicar of St. Giles, the Rev. — Trehear, unveiled a tablet in St. Giles' belfry, which recorded the successful ringing of four peals, being one each of Grandsire and Stedman Caters, one of Plain Bob Royal, and one of Kent Treble Bob Royal, all of which were conducted by Mr. W. Rogers of Northampton.—The Vicar said how pleased he was to come into the belfry and take part in anything that was of interest to the ringers. He thanked them for their work in ringing for the services; he said he wished it were possible to have the bells rung for every service that took place in the church.

Divine service was held in St. Giles' Church, when the Vicar preached a very suitable sermon. A collection was taken for the Belfry Repairs Fund, which amounted to 17s. 10d.

Lunch followed at the Cinema Cafe, Market Square, at which (in the absence of the Rev. H. E. Fitzherbert, President of the Association) the Rev. J. P. Friend, Rector of Collingtree, presided. Others present were the Rev. J. C. Hichens, vice-president of Gullsbrough; Rev. J. White, Pitsford; Mr. W. T. Wilson, treasurer of the Association; Mr. D. J. Nichols, general secretary; Mr. E. Barber, and K. Turner, district secretary; Mr. Drage, Long Eaton; Mr. A. King, Luton; Mr. W. Malins and Mr. J. W. Chandler, Rugby; Messrs. A. Markwell, C. Herbert, and J. Herbert, Woburn Sands. A company of about 50 was present.

An apology was received from the Rev. H. E. Fitzherbert, who was unable to be present as he was away on his holidays.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Rev. J. P. Friend, Rector of Collingtree, was elected president. Mr. D. J. Nichols and Mr. W. T. Wilson were re-elected general secretary and treasurer respectively. Mr. M. Hobbs and Mr. J. Saddington were re-elected auditors.

The general secretaries reported that the financial position of the association had improved to a considerable extent, owing to the increased subscription, which has now been in operation for a full year, and the accounts shows a profit on the year's working of £12 19s. 2d., which, he thought, was very satisfactory. He hoped the members of the various districts will give the committee their most earnest support in their endeavour to place the association on a sound financial footing.

The Belfry Repairs Fund is still increasing, and now shows a balance in hand of £28 4s. 10d.

The number of towers in union with the association is 67, an increase of four on last year. There are now 496 members, an increase of four since last year, being 43 honorary and 453 ringing members.

Forty-eight peals have been rung during the year being an increase of three from last year.

A grant of five guineas was made from the Belfry Repairs Fund towards the restoration of Peterborough Cathedral bells.

A similar grant of three guineas was also made to Grafton Underwood, a small parish in the Kettering district.

The Rev. H. J. T. Eacott, Vicar of Desborough, was elected an honorary member of the Association.

A vote of thanks to the retiring president (the Rev. H. E. Fitzherbert) for his services during the past year, was unanimously carried.

It was decided to hold the next annual meeting of the association in Northampton next Whit Monday.

The President moved a very hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of St. Giles for conducting the service and preaching such an excellent and practical sermon; also to the clergy of Northampton for placing the bells of the various churches at the disposal of the ringers during the day.

Touches were brought round in all the standard methods, and some very good ringing was enjoyed by mixed companies.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.**

At the annual meeting, held at Chesterfield on May 6th, 60 ringers were present from 21 towers. The bells were rung during the time available: 3-4.15 and 7-9; and nearly three hours were occupied with a service (at which the Assistant Secretary gave an address), tea, and the business meeting. The Rev. R. F. Wilkinson read the lesson at the service, which was conducted by the Vicar (Canon Shaw).

At the meeting, Mr. Tarlton of North Wingfield, took the chair, as president, for the last time after nine years, and he was supported by the hon. secretary (Mr. Sam Thomas) also about to resign, after holding office for eight years for a second time, and having helped other secretaries in the years between.

Mr. Thomas reported 25 towers affiliated with the society, nearly 250 members, less or more; an average attendance at meetings of 45, a marked improvement among the young members, which seems likely to be continued; 24 peals since May, 1921, in 11 different methods in 11 different towers. In closing this, his 9th report, he gave some sound advice. As one of the old ringers who had worked with enthusiasm for the church in the cause of the belfry, he impressed upon the younger members to insist upon good conduct in the belfry.

The balance sheet showed a small deficit of a few shillings. The expenses included one unusual item, and the subscription had never been increased. The deposit amounted to £16 0s. 7d.

The Secretary spoke of the death of Mr. William Warburton, who was an active member a few years ago. The last time they saw him at a meeting was in March, 1921, when he wore the expression of one who was bearing his suffering with fortitude.

Canon Shaw remarked upon the enthusiasm of the ringers; he thanked them in the name of the Church for the work they did. Their work he said, was appreciated, although not obviously. People expected to hear the bells at the usual times, and when they did not hear them, they immediately asked 'why this silence?'

The places for meeting each month were announced. The methods rung before the company separated included Kent Treble Bob Royal, Stedman Caters, Yorkshire Surprise Major, Double Norwich, Grandsire Triples and Bob Major.

On Saturday June 3rd, the society had a most enjoyable meeting at Ecclesfield. Here is the 'Minster of the Moors,' a beautiful church of the latter part of the 15th century, with a spacious belfry. With the clear and bracing air of the moors, with howling on the parson's lawn, with two clergy with the party, and promising to be honorary members, with ringing many methods, with the sight of the hills around, and of that beautiful church fronting a semicircle of verdure

on the heights towards the south, reaching out with its view of the valley towards the north-east and the vast expanse of the brown moors to the north and north-west, the members found the pleasure of this meeting as great as ever.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.****MR. SEAMER'S RETIREMENT.**

The half-yearly meeting of the Northern Branch was held at Ewerby, near Sleaford, on Saturday, May 27th, and was well attended by members from Lincoln, Grimsby, Gainsborough, Stow, Brantston, Sleaford, Heckington, Surfleet, and the local band. Although unavoidable delay was caused through a funeral, the splendid peal of ten bells (which were originally put in by the late Earl of Winchelsea) peaked out in Grandsire Caters, Stedman Caters, Cambridge Royal and Treble Ten. Service was held at 4.30, at which the Ringing Master gave a most inspiring address, and the lesson was read by the president of the branch.

After full justice had been done to the splendid tea provided by the proprietor of the Finch-Hatton Arms, the business meeting was held under the presidency of Mr. F. F. Linley. Upon a show of hands, Gainsborough was chosen as the place to hold the annual meeting (due notice of this meeting will appear in 'The Ringing World').

Mr. H. L. Pask, of Lincoln, was appointed branch secretary in place of Mr. J. W. Seamer, of Grimsby, who had resigned. — Mr. Seamer was specially thanked for his long and faithful services as secretary for a period of at least 15 years.

Hearty votes of thanks were also given to Mr. W. Dickenson, Heckington, for making arrangements for tea and for having the bells ready, to the Rev. W. A. Thomas for the use of the bells, to those who provided the excellent tea, and to Mr. Linley for kindly taking the chair.

The meeting was most successful and enjoyable, and will long be remembered by those who had the privilege of taking part in it.

**LONG PEAL CELEBRATED.**

On Whit Sunday, the 30th anniversary of the 1688 of Oxford Treble Bob, upon the bells of St. Mary's Church, Debenham, by eight Suffolk men, several members met and rang touches of Oxford and Double Norwich, the first touch, 672 Oxford, by J. Smith 1, W. C. Ramsey 2, W. G. Crickmer (conductor) 3, W. J. Groome 4, J. G. Ramsey 5, D. Collins 6, G. S. Rowe 7, J. C. G. Haggart 8, 448 of Double Norwich by the Debenham company, 672 Oxford, with A. S. Wightman, tenor. Messrs. Collins and Crickmer rang in the long peal, 1392.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

# THE LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and**

**Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD**

**LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. A. H. Pulling, of Guildford, is the first conductor to call Mr. John Carter's Odd and Even Bob Peal on handbells. This was accomplished on Saturday last after three previous attempts of 1hr. 10mins., 1hr. 40 mins. and 2hrs. 10mins.

Mr. Pulling is one of the most accomplished handbell conductors in the country, and he expresses the opinion that this peal is not so difficult to conduct as the Odd Bob Peal, although he conducted the Odd Bob at the first attempt, and the Odd and Even Bob at the fourth.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have just completed the re-hanging of Wandsworth Church bells, where they have utilised the old timber frame, and have made a most successful job. This, together with such restorations as those at Horsham, Billingshurst, Stafford, Maidstone and Hereford, all of which frames had previously been condemned, shows what can be accomplished with old timbers under careful treatment.

We learn that the restoration of the peal of 12 at Sheffield Cathedral will be completed in two or three weeks' time, and Taunton (12) will, it is hoped, be ready within about three months.

A peal of six at Great Crossby have just recently been re-hung in new framework by the Whitechapel Foundry.

Although he expressed the willingness to resign to admit new blood to the office, the members of the Essex Association have unanimously re-elected Mr. C. H. Howard as master for the ensuing year.

Owing to a trade dispute, we shall be unable to accept anything for publication which reaches us after Tuesday morning in each week. Will secretaries, who have notices to publish please make a special note of this?

Readers of the 'Ringing World' will regret to learn that the Editor has had a breakdown, and, under medical orders, has left home for a course of treatment. During his absence we hope our readers will forgive any shortcomings in connection with the publication.

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

The annual gathering was held on Whit Monday at Ilfracombe, and just over fifty ringers attended from Bampton, Combe Martin, Dulverton, Exeter, Ilfracombe, Kelly, Littleham, Ottery St. Mary, Nottingham, Shute and Withycombe Raleigh. There was half an hour's ringing at the Parish Church prior to the service, which was conducted by the Rev. H. M. Johnson (Vicar of Ilfracombe), who gave an interesting address. The attendance at the service was excellent, and showed that there is the right spirit among the members. Luncheon was served at 1.15 at 45, High Street, and was succeeded by the general business meeting, which was presided over by the Rev. H. L. Pigott (Vicar of West Down).

The President of the Guild, the Rev. Maitland Kelly, spoke, and proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for allowing the meeting to be held at the Parish Church and for giving them so kindly a welcome.

The officers were re-elected for the ensuing year, and the name of Mr. S. M. Hutchinson (Shute) was added to those of honorary members' representatives. A welcome addition was made by the election of the Combe Martin band.

It was agreed to adopt the 'Form of Service' submitted to the meeting, and to hold the next annual meeting at Cullompton, subject to the necessary permission being granted. The tower of SS. Philip and James' Church unfortunately was not open for ringing owing to illness quite close to the church, so a few members motored the four miles to West Down.

In the Ilfracombe churchyard there can be seen two gravestones set up against the wall of the church, containing a list of the names of ten centenarians who died between 1784 and 1913. Someone who was going round the churchyard a short time ago was heard to remark, 'What new sect is that?'

The absence of the general secretary (Rev. D. S. Powell) was much regretted, but he was on his way to attend the Central Council meeting at Lincoln.

## LEEDS & DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the above Society was held on Saturday, May 27th, at Guiseley. During the afternoon a peal of Bob Major was attempted, and brought to a successful result.

The business meeting was held at 7 p.m., the President (Mr. Peacock) being in the chair, supported by members from Bradford, Bolton Salby, Leeds Parish Church, Idle, and the local company.

It was agreed, on the motion of the President, that the Society should revert to the former practice of attempting a peal during the afternoon at all meetings, but to start not later than 3 p.m.

The usual votes of thanks were passed, and afterwards the bells were kept going until 8.30 p.m.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

(Continued from Page 363.)  
COMMITTEE REPORTS.

In presenting a statement on behalf of the Peal Collection Committee, Mr. H. W. Wilde pointed out that the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson was engaged in checking and proving the peals of Treble Bob Major with tenors parted. This work took up a lot of time. He (Mr. Wilde) thought it would be interesting to know from the Librarian whether the typed copies of the Collection of Treble Bob peals had been made use of.

The Hon. Librarian (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) said only one application had been received, and that was from Bristol. He would like it understood that ringers had only to make application and pay the postage, which was about 1s., to have the loan of one of the copies.

The Rev. H. Law James thought the question was, was the Librarian prepared to receive a copy of a peal and see if it was in the Collection or not. When he (the speaker) prepared the Lincoln Diocesan Guild report every year, he received compositions for insertion. Perhaps he got a peal of Treble Bob, said to be composed by Mr. Somebody. He would go through Snowden, and through this and that, and would be unable to find it, and yet, when he looked at the peal, it was as old as the hills, though he could not find it anywhere. Could they go to the Collection and see if it were there?

The Librarian: I do not see why the Peal Collection Committee should not have a copy in their possession.

This suggestion was acted upon, and the Librarian authorised to part with a copy to the Chairman of the Peal Collection Committee.

### RINGING DEFENCE.

The following report of the 'Literature and Press Committee,' under the heading of the 'Ringing Defence Committee,' was submitted by Mr. W. W. Willson, who recalled the fact that a year ago the Ringing Defence Committee was appointed and incorporated with the Literature and Press Committee. It was intended that the report should have been published before the meeting in 'The Ringing World,' but owing to the lethargy of certain members of the committee it had taken him twelve months to get four letters, and then the last of them was too late to permit the report being published before the meeting. He would suggest, if the Council were spending any money, that they should lay in a stock of ginger (laughter). The report was as follows:

Those who follow the deliberations of the Central Council will know that a committee of five, incorporating the Literature and Press Committee, was appointed to watch the interests of ringing and to meet attacks which may from time to time be organised against church bells. The following represents the opinions of the committee as to the course to be taken:—

(1) Legislation.—To request a member of the House of Commons to watch our interests is impracticable, as no member's seat is permanent. Your committee will, however, always be on the alert should any Bill inimical to our interests be brought in. In such case, before the Bill passed its 'Committee stage,' we should circularise each Association secretary, who would then send a protest in the name of his Association, to the sitting Parliamentary members for the area covered by the Association, with a request to oppose the Bill, or a particular clause in the Bill. Your committee will be prepared for any contingency, and seeing that between the first or second reading of the Bill, and its Committee stage, a considerable period elapses, ringers need be under no apprehension that a surprise measure can be sprung upon the Exercise.

(2) Attacks in the Press.—It is not desirable as a rule to answer every discontented objector to bell ringing; but in cases where the local company have reasons to think that an attempt is being made to suppress change ringing, this committee will, if requested, use its influence in the ringers' interests with the authorities responsible. In such instances, the secretary or captain of the tower should state the case concisely to the Secretary of the Central Council, and the Committee will then assist the company to fight their battle so far as it is possible to do so.

The Rev. F. Ll. Edwards thought it would interest the Council to hear of the way in which one objection was dealt with recently and that without any intervention on the part of the Committee. It was a parish in which it had been the custom not to ring the bells for practice between the months of May and October, although they were always rung on Sundays. Some young and energetic spirits came on the scene and obtained leave to practise during the summer months. One evening the Vicar was stopped by an elderly inhabitant who complained about this additional ringing. He said in his young days the bells of that church were never rung for practice during the summer, and such thing ought not to be. Just as he was ventilating his grievance a charabanc passed. 'You see a good many of these go through the village now, don't you?' said the Vicar. 'Yes,' replied the old man. 'You didn't see many of them in your young days, did you?' said the Vicar. 'No, we didn't,' was the reply. 'You see,' said the Vicar, 'you have to move with the times. You can no more stop the bells being rung in the summer than you can stop these charabancs going through the parish,' which effectively

silenced the 'complaint.' Nor was that all, on the following Thursday the Vicar appeared in the belfry for the first time since he had been in the parish, and took a rope with the ringers for he was a ringer himself (applause). That was the kind of spirit the Council wanted to encourage. As to any possible legislation in Parliament, the thing to be watched before all else was the granting by the Ministry of Health of any additional powers to local authorities. It was when local authorities had extensive and indefinite powers given them, to deal with whole classes of what they considered nuisances, that the danger arose. It was a modern fashion to decree that cocks should not crow and it did not need a very great stretch of imagination to conceive that they might add to that that bells should not ring.

Mr. G. P. Burton said the scheme the Committee had outlined was about all that could be expected of them. It was impossible to watch all the Press. Often the Press attacked them in a subtle way, and recently a gross libel on ringing appeared in one of the daily papers, which stated that the cracking of the tower at Lincoln Cathedral was caused by the bells, when, as a matter of fact, there were no bells at all in the tower. That was the kind of thing that it was very difficult, if not impossible, to correct.

On the motion of Mr. A. L. Coleman, seconded by Mr. W. A. Cave, the report was adopted.

### CANON COLERIDGE'S HONOUR.

At this stage, Alderman Pritchett took the chair, and said he highly appreciated the compliment that was paid him by electing him as temporary chairman. He was sorry they were to lose their President for the day, but he had had conferred upon him a great honour in Freemasonry, and he was going to London to receive that honour, or the insignia of it at the hands of the Duke of Connaught (applause). Canon Coleridge had been appointed Provincial Grand Chaplain of the Mark Masons of England (applause). Their President had said that he (the speaker) was an important man in the City of Lincoln. He believed theoretically he was second to the Mayor, and before everyone else. As a modest individual he did not lay stress on that, but if he could in any way lay claim to represent the City of Lincoln, in the absence of the Mayor, and on behalf of the City, he gave them a most cordial welcome. Had the Chapter House not been available, and had they applied for the use of the Council Chamber, he believed they would have got it. That too, was a venerable building, and had they met there he was sure the Mayor would have been present to welcome them (applause).

### PLAIN MAJOR METHODS TO BE PRINTED.

The Rev. H. Law James, on behalf of the Methods Committee, reported that they were generally still in the same position as they were last year, but they had moved on in one way. He had got a letter from Mr. Lewis regretting that he could not be there, and stating that he had an estimate for printing the Plain Major Methods, and the estimate was just about £20. They had been waiting, he believed, since 1913 to print these methods. They had done their work, and now that the price had come as low as it had he thought they might be rewarded by having the methods printed. They could sell them at a shilling a copy and make a profit.

Mr. J. Griffin seconded. He said the matter had been before the Standing Committee that morning, and they recommended that the tender of 'The Ringing World' to print 500 copies each of the Collection of Plain Major Methods and the Collection of Little Methods be accepted. The Standing Committee had come to the conclusion that the work done by the Methods Committee should receive recognition by the publication of the Collections. The Committee had every confidence that members of the Exercise would take these copies, and eventually the Council would be reimbursed.

The Rev. F. Ll. Edwards seconded.

The Rev. H. Law James asked whether the Committee were to name the methods before publication, or to do as was done when the Minor methods were published, leave them without names and allow those who rang them to name them.

The Chairman suggested that the Committee should take the responsibility, and name them or leave them without names as they thought fit.—The motion was carried.

(To be continued.)

### CONFERENCE REPORTS.

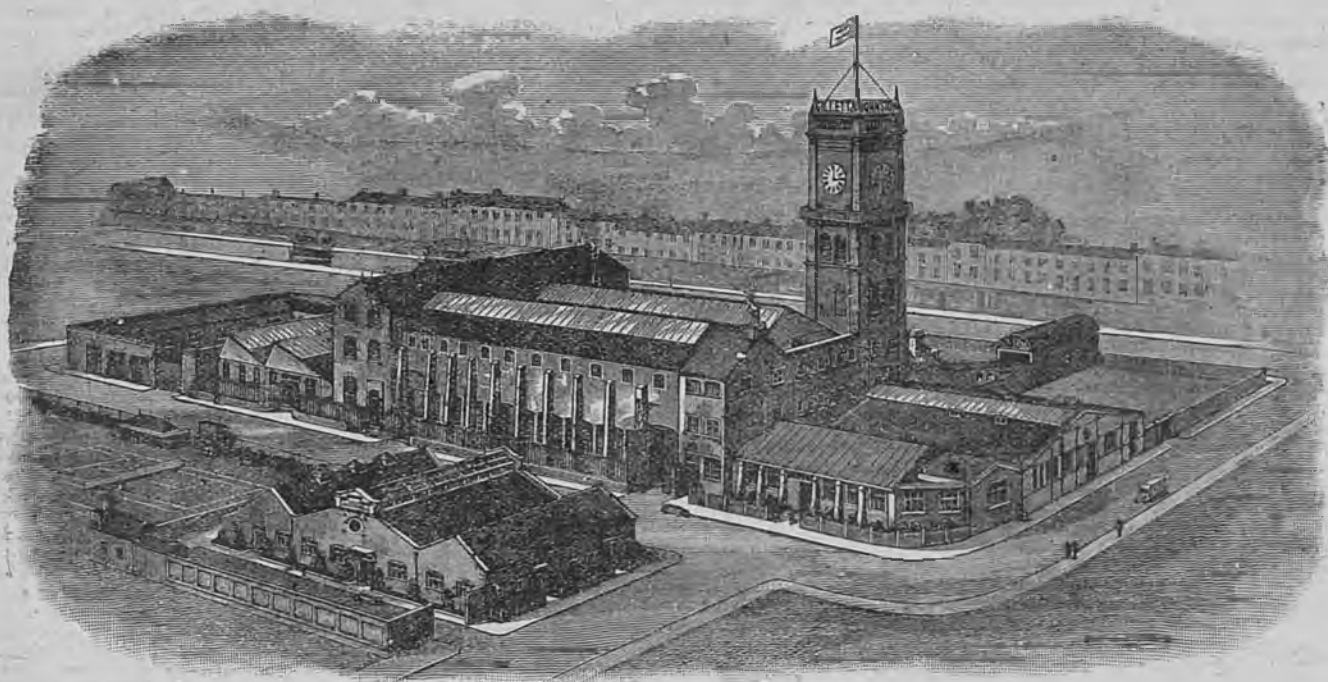
The honorary secretary, Mr. E. A. Young, of 155, Rushey Green, S.E.6, will be much obliged by the return to him of copies of the report of the conference of the S.P.A.B. and the Council. Several copies were placed upon the side table at Lincoln, for inspection of members, but not for distribution, as they are required for further circulation and amendment.

STAFFORD.—On Sunday, May 7th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): W. G. Curtis 1, W. C. Wilson 2, H. W. Jones 3, G. Booth 4, F. V. Haggis 5, J. Warrilow 6, J. J. Taylor (conductor) 7, Z. Baker 8.

KING'S NORTON.—On Monday, May 15th, for practice, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major: H. Williams 1, J. Withers junr., 2, J. Withers 3, W. Ball 4, J. Eaton 5, O. Webb 6, S. Grove (conductor) 7, P. O. Lakin 8.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.



## RE-DEDICATION OF LONGHOPE BELLS.

One often hear the figurative expression 'Mountains formed out of molehills,' and after all it is a thing very easy to accomplish, and so with reference to the above controversy I am very anxious that it should remain a molehill, as there are indications that it would not take very long to grow into a mountain, seeing that there are statements on either side which are flatly contradictory, and, therefore both cannot be true. Neither of the parties, however, had notebooks in hand at the time, hence neither can be too sure as to what was said, but there is a principle involved about which I want to say a word or two.

I have had the opportunity of discussing it with both sides, and after hearing both explanations, I think the matter may very well be allowed to drop. There appear to have been four distinct indiscretions, and I think if I enumerate them, it will turn the whole incident into an object lesson, which will be to our good, and which will, I hope, prevent any recurrence of a similar nature.

1. The Barnwood ringers, after having obtained permission to reopen the bells, would have been wise if they had taken the precaution to notify the branch secretary of the fact; as it goes without saying, that he would naturally desire to have all the information possible with regard to the opening or reopening of any peal of bells in his district.

2. The branch secretary having discovered that his own application for a branch opening was too late, would have been wise to have allowed it to remain at that, and left the matter to be dealt with at the branch meetings.

3. The Barnwood ringers, knowing that other ringers were out in the churchyard would have been wise to have allowed as many of them as possible to take part in the last short touch and the lowering.

4. The branch secretary, although labouring under a feeling of bitter resentment, would have been wiser not to have displayed his feelings in the presence of the local men, as the impression given is not the true spirit of the fraternity.

It will thus be seen that the whole thing is summed up in two indiscretions each, and now that we have had the benefit of the object lesson, I consider the matter should drop. Yours faithfully,

A. ALLAN BENNETT,

Hon. Branch Secretary.

Newton House, London Road,  
Gloucester.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION  
MEETING AT KING'S LYNN.

A general meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association was held at King's Lynn on Whit Monday, when, by kind permission of the Rev. Canon J. C. Vawdrey, Vicar of St. Margaret's and St. Nicholas' Churches, King's Lynn, the fine ring of ten bells of the former church and the ring of eight of the latter were placed at the disposal of the members. Also, by kind permission of the Rev. H. S. Radcliffe, Rector of Gaywood, and Rural Dean of Lynn, the ring of six bells of St. Faith's, Gaywood, were open to the use of the members.

Luncheon was served at the Globe Hotel, and amongst those present were the Rev. Canon J. C. Vawdrey, the Rev. H. S. Radcliffe, Messrs. G. P. Burton, F. R. Borrett, G. Hawes, J. W. Eldred, T. Fitzjohn, A. L. Coleman (general secretary), and fourteen representatives from the King's Lynn district.

The general business meeting was held in the Archdeacon's Chapter Court in the Church of St. Nicholas, the Rev. Canon J. C. Vawdrey presiding, in place of the President (the Dean of Norwich), who was unavoidably prevented from attending the meeting.

The Chairman read the letter that Mr. A. L. Coleman (general secretary) had received from the Dean, expressing his great regret at being unable to be present at the meeting, and conveying his best wishes to the members for a successful meeting.

The General Secretary, Mr. A. L. Coleman, said that it was with deep regret he had to announce the great loss the King's Lynn district had sustained by the death of the late Mr. J. W. Sedgley, who had been a staunch and loyal supporter of the Association in the King's Lynn district, the late Mr. J. W. Sedgley having been a member of the Association for thirty-two years. He had been elected on September 23rd, 1890, and was for twenty-one years district secretary for the King's Lynn district, from 1890 to 1911.—A motion of sympathy and condolence was passed to the family of the deceased, which the secretary was instructed to forward to Mrs. Sedgley.

The following election of members was ratified, viz.: The Rev. S. Martin-Jones (Vicar of Wymondham), T. Hammond, F. Oswich, R. Pilgrim, W. Cousins, and J. Crisp.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar of King's Lynn and the Rector of Gaywood for the use of their Parish Church bells, and a vote of thanks was also accorded to Mr. J. W. Eldred for his services in having the bells in order.

The Secretary announced that the August Bank Holiday meeting would be held at East Dereham on Monday, August 7th.

## APPLETON LONG PEAL.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—A reply to Mr. W. Willson, re the Appleton record peal, appears necessary, and as no officer of either society or the conductor seem to trouble, I shall endeavour to answer it in the fairest and straightest terms possible.

First of all, 'W. W.' seems to be ignorant of all circumstances, and has thrown himself into print without first finding some suitable and correct basis upon which to form his opinion. The main obstruction was to settle on a definite time, as two of the London ringers were undecided when they could fix a date.

The reason for not previously publishing the composition, I am not in a position to state; but I do know that Mr. Bert Langdon gave the figures away to the Rev. Canon Coleridge and the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn before the attempt, and it had passed through many hands before the peal was accomplished.

The mainstay of Mr. Willson's remarks is the question of 'weight.' The Loughborough peal is in modern fittings, and the tenor—to take a ringer's expression—could be rung with a piece of string, while Appleton bells will, in a few years' time, be absolutely unringable. The 9th is in the original bearings of 119 years ago, and had 'W. W.' known that the tenor lubricators did not work, and that Mr. Fred White slogged away with dry bearings for six hours I feel sure his opinion would differ and his opinions never have appeared. Your correspondent asks which is the easier to ring, 30½ cwt. or 14½ cwt.? I am certain that a man with the experience of Mr. Willson ought to know better than to raise such a question. He decidedly ought to know that a heavy and true struck ring of bells, with, of course, good striking, is far easier than a light peal which hang on one's wrists. Therefore, I claim that there is comparison, and the Loughborough peal beaten by merit.

The Wigston long peal of Double Norwich is brought up. The previous record was attained at Kidlington, Oxon, with a tenor of 25 cwt., and 'W. W.' has—contrary to his present remarks—beaten it at Wigston with a tenor of about the same ratio as Loughborough to Appleton. I am, therefore, at a loss to understand why, under these circumstances, he has ventured to make the remarks he has.—Yours faithfully,

A LONDON RINGER.

## RE-DEDICATION OF WANDSWORTH BELLS.

RESTORATION OF A LONDON SUBURBAN EIGHT.

The bells at the above church were re-dedicated on Thursday, the 8th inst., by the Bishop of Kingston, at the conclusion of the confirmation service. These bells, a musical peal of eight, tenor 15 cwt., were cast and erected by the Whitechapel Foundry in 1842. A good deal of scheming was evidently necessary to get them all hung on one level, for the bearings on one side of the 3rd and 4th are fitted into upright posts to enable the treble, 2nd and 5th and 6th to swing clear, and the larger bells had to be hung very short. They were also very 'odd struck,' and have been practically unringable for many years.

The framework has been strengthened with tie bolts and angle plates, and some of the joints made good, and the bells have been re-hung with new gudgeons and ball bearings. The 'go' is now perfect, and the Whitechapel Foundry (Messrs. Mears and Stainbank) were on Sunday last congratulated on the excellence of their work, after a peal of Stedman Triples (recorded in the peal columns) had been successfully accomplished under the leadership of the 'record peal' conductor. The greatest enthusiasm was displayed by the parishioners in the ringing, as it is many years since the bells have been properly heard, and the members of the band were deservedly complimented on the excellence of the striking.

After the peal, the ringers were entertained to tea by the Vicar and churchwardens who are most anxious to get a half-pulley band organised. The cost of the restoration has been generously borne by Mr. W. Faulkner, of the firm of Messrs. Faulkner, tobacco manufacturers.

This work is an interesting example of what can be done to an old frame under skilled workmanship, and the same firm have in hand similar work to the eight bells at Lambeth Parish Church.

## COLLEGE SINGLE DOUBLES.

To the Editor.

Sir,—I notice in 'The Ringing World,' June 9th, the record of a peal of Doubles in seven methods rung 'in hand' at Ludlow, Shropshire, and I see that College Single is one of the seven. I should like to ask if the conductor of that peal would kindly let me know what College Single Doubles are, and how the calls are made. I am acquainted with College Single Minor; but I fail to get Doubles on that principle. There may be a College Single Doubles; but I have not heard of such before, and, being interested in the different methods of Doubles, should be glad of a little information on College Single.—Yours truly,

J. HAMMOND.

Garthmor, Neath.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**HESTON.**—At St. Leonard's Church, on Sunday, June 11th, for morning service, 1260 Grandsire Triples: S. Rose 1, W. Lewis (first quarter-peal inside) 2, H. G. W. Cooper 3, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 4, C. L. Edwards 5, C. S. Bird 6, H. C. Chandler 7, A. Lewis 8. Rung on the 14th anniversary of the rehanging and augmentation of the peal.

**BRADING, ISLE OF WIGHT.**—On Trinity Sunday, at St. Mary's Church, for evening, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes) in 52 mins.: A. R. Ward (conductor) 1, F. Chaffey 2, P. S. Parker 3, E. Hatcher 4, L. W. Pain 5, B. J. Snow 6, H. Jennings 7, A. Blow 8. The ringers of 1, 3, 4 and 6 belong to the Ryde Branch of the I.W. District Guild, the remainder are local ringers.

**ROCK FERRY.**—Chester Diocesan Guild, Wirral Branch. — At St. Peter's Church, on Sunday, June 11th, 720 of Plain Bob Minor: J. T. Howarth 1, W. Dean 2, F. Barton 3, H. Martin 4, J. Cooke 5, F. Hancock 6. Conducted by J. Cooke. First 720 in the method by ringer of treble; first with a bob bell by ringer of second, and the conductor's first 720 as conductor.

**FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.**—For evening service, on Sunday, May 14th, 928 of Cambridge Surprise Major: H. C. Collyer 1, E. Jenkins (conductor) 2, G. H. Randies 3, J. Bibby 4, E. Palmer 5, W. Bibby 6, F. Bibby 7, C. Radcliff 8. Longest length of Surprise by all.

**ISLEWORTH.**—On May 14th, at All Saints' Church for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: G. Spencer 1, A. Beckensale 2, T. Beadle 3, F. Goddard 4, C. Tricker (conductor) 5, E. F. Cole 6, W. Lidbetter 7, H. Brooks 8.

**LONG SUTTON, Lincs.**—On Sunday, May 14th, for evening service, at the Church of St. Mary, a 720 of Plain Bob Minor: S. Mumby 1, W. Cousins 2, F. Lightning 3, H. C. Watts 4, J. R. Rodwell 5, C. Cousins (conductor) 6.

**KIMBOLTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.**—At St. James' Church, for Confirmation service, on Sunday, May 7th, 720 of Grandsire Doubles: W. H. Jaine 1, F. A. Jaine (conductor) 2, W. Lowe 3, A. Owens 4, C. Jaine 5, G. Thomas 6.—After the Confirmation service, it being the anniversary of the dedication of the war memorial, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 45 mins., with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the fallen of the parish. G. Thomas 1, F. A. Jaine (conductor) 2, W. Lowe (first quarter-peal) 3, A. Owens 4, C. Jaine 5, W. Mills 6.

**SKIRBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Sunday, May 7th, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Harold Palmer 1, S. F. Staffurth 2, F. Darby 3, W. Clarke 4, H. Palmer (conductor) 5, A. H. Swain 6.

**MATLOCK.**—On Sunday, May 7th, for evening service, at St. Giles' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: \*R. Greator 1, \*L. Statham 2, F. Knowles 3, J. Topliss 4, \*E. Paulson 5, G. H. Paulson 6, J. H. Paulson (conductor) 7, \*A. E. Holmes 8. \* First quarter-peal.

**DALTON-IN-FURNESS.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, May 7th, for evening service, 630 Grandsire Triples: T. R. Jackson 1, T. Watson 2, G. Jackson 3, Miss E. M. Stuart 4, W. H. Dennison (conductor) 5, T. Metcalfe 6, W. S. Forslaw 7, F. Burrows 8.

**ACTON.**—On May 7th, at St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: M. England 1, H. Winete 2, S. D. Breeds 3, C. Brown 4, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 5, C. Edwards 6, Capt. Mackman 7, A. E. Smith 8. Taken from 'The Ringing World'.

**WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on May 7th, for evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples: E. Kilby 1, H. Kilby 2, E. Lankester 3, C. V. Ebberson 4, G. M. Kilby 5, F. Crook (conductor) 6, R. Kilby 7, P. Norton 8.

**BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER, GLOUCESTER.**—On Sunday evening, May 7th, for service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 50 mins.: H. E. Gillett 1, E. Parden 2, T. Banning 3, J. Collett 4, H. Packer 5, H. Gillett 6, W. Large (conductor) 7, J. Buttler 8.

**WEST HAM, ESSEX.**—At All Saints' Church, for morning service, on Sunday, May 7th, 576 Grandsire Caters: J. Waghorn 1, A. Neal 2, J. Scholes 3, G. Hayden 4, A. Prior (conductor) 5, A. J. Brown (Laxfield) 6, E. Smith 7, A. Baynes 8, F. C. Newman 9, J. Moule 10.

**LUTON, BEDS.**—On Sunday, May 7th, at the Parish Church, for morning service, 932 changes of Cambridge Surprise Major: T. Blackburn 1, A. King 2, B. Wilson 3, C. Rollings 4, H. Wood 5, F. Hunt 6, T. Kendall 7, L. A. Goodenough (conductor) 8. All members of the local band.

**MARKET DEEPPING.**—On Sunday, May 7th, for morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: H. M. Day 1, E. Wright 2, A. Rigall 3, H. Holmes 4, W. A. Day (conductor) 5, G. Wells 6. Also 144 Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and 120 Double and Single Court, with F. Simpson and H. Hayes, in place of G. Wells and W. A. Day.

**STRETTON, CHESHIRE.**—For evening service, on Sunday, May 7th, 1,640 changes of Minor being 720 of College Single Reverse, 540 of St. Clement's and 360 Oxford Single. First 720 of College Single Reverse on the bells, and by all the band: H. Fairclough 1, E. Bostock 2, S. Sage 3, E. Jenkins (conductor) 4, L. Bostock 5, J. H. Davenport 6.

## A RECORD PEAL OF TREBLE BOB.

The attempt for the new record length Treble Bob Major last Saturday at Mottram-in-Longdendale was successful. Ringing started at 8.30 a.m., at about 27 changes to the minute. The pace varied very little throughout the day, and the bells came round at 7.43 p.m. Numerous ringers were outside the tower at the finish, and warmly congratulated the band upon their success.

The composition by Mr. Gabriel Lindoff is the longest length yet composed in the method, viz., 18,240, and Mr. Lindoff had the satisfaction of calling the peal himself.

## THE COMPOSITION.

234567 M In Out 5ths W H

352647	—	—	—	—	—
563427	—	—	—	—	—
673425	1	—	1	—	—
627435	2	—	—	—	1
617532	—	—	2	—	—
475623	Out 4	Out 1	2	2	2
573624	2	—	—	2	2
752634	2	—	—	—	2
564237	2	—	—	—	1
627354	—	—	—	—	1
532467	—	—	—	1	—
345627	—	—	—	—	—

Four times repeated.

## METHOD NOMENCLATURE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—May I say that I thoroughly agree with your remarks on nomenclature. The names of many of the methods recently published are thoroughly bad, such as 'Victory,' 'Princess Mary,' 'Wait and See.' The last is simply villainous. 'Premier' appears to make claims, which will not generally be conceded, good as the method undoubtedly is. The only safe plan is to select the name of some town or village, preferably a fine sounding name like Marlborough or Sandringham.—Yours,

J. ARMIGER TROLOPE.

## NEW METHODS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Mr. Barber accuses me of making statements which I cannot substantiate. I think the boot is on the other foot. When I said I had rung peals of Bristol with the 8th 12th courses at home, I never said the extent. He made the remark that I should have been nearer if I had said 12 leads. It needs no two opinions as to which is nearer 12 courses (78 leads) or 12. As regards his 'bounce' about the Whitley Bay band from treble to tenor saying that the back work of Bristol is monotonous, I question very much if this band authorised him to make such an assertion. I have rung a lot more Bristol with some of this band than he has, and I have never heard any of them mention it. If they did say so I am very much surprised, and it has taken them a long while to find it out, or they would not have rung so much of it. Again, why is the back work more monotonous than the front?

As regard my opinion about musical methods, I consider my opinion as good as his. Mr. Barber talks about Erin, Duffield, Dublin Complex and Forward being musical, I should like to know where it comes in. They remind me of the chorus of a song being repeated without the verses. I notice when he rings these methods he always calls them, otherwise he would never ring them, as he is the only person they appeal to. To any ordinary conductor they should present no terrors, for anyone who could not call them ought to pack up.

When a man, who rings such methods as these where there is only 40 odd changes in a course and nothing intricate in them, tells you that the back work of Bristol is monotonous, I will leave it to the Exercise to judge what his opinion is worth on the subject.—Yours,

W. PYE.

## SITUATION WANTED.

Clerk, ex-service (24), seeks situation. London or Warwick districts preferred (not essential). Experienced book-keeper, storekeeper, typist. Ring Surprise 8 bells. Accept low salary to get with good band. Excellent refs. — Box 4, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

## HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

Beautiful set of 21 HANDBELLS for Sale. Price £10. — J. Ward, Latchmere, Worting Road, Basingstoke.

Peal of 12 Handbells in A. Condition as good as new. Just the thing for tower work.—Apply, Mrs. Trinder, Green Lane, Church Street, Upper Walmer.

## NOTICES.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practices:

Mondays at 7.30 p.m.—St. Clement Danes, June 26th. Wilton Road, June 19th, 7 p.m. Sundays at 10 a.m.—St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Near Slough.

## ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

(Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on June 22nd; Southwark Cathedral on the 20th; \*St. Mary le Bow, Cheapside, on the 27th; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 29th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Hartlebury on Saturday, June 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service in church at 4.30. Business meeting to follow.—A. Davies, Branch Sec., 29, Hampton Street, Netherton, Dudley.

## CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

—Guilsborough District.—The Annual meeting will be held at West Haddon on Saturday, June 17th.—W. Bott, Hon. Sec., Guilsborough.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.

—A meeting will be held at Sunbury-on-Thames on Saturday, June 17th, by permission of the Vicar. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.15, at a reasonable charge, and welcome to all.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Rd., W.4.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.

—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Colne Parish Church on Saturday, June 17th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m. A special invitation is given to all ringers to attend this meeting to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the Colne Parish Church.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road.

## LADIES' GUILD.—Northamptonshire Branch.

—A meeting will be held at Weekley on Saturday, June 17th. Bells ready 2.30. Service 4 o'clock. Tea 4.30. Gentlemen heartily welcome.—Cecil E. Hepburn, Hon. Sec., The Pines, Isham, Kettering.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Basingstoke

District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Whitchurch on Saturday, 17th June. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dist. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Leicester

District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Kebworth on Saturday, June 17th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at reasonable charge to all who inform F. Staniforth, Fleckney Road, Kebworth.—H. E. Norman, Sec.

## BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The

Monthly meeting will be held at Monk Bretton on Saturday, June 17th. Bells ready 2.30.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Newbury Branch)

will hold their summer meeting at Bucklebury on Saturday, June 17th. Special preacher, Canon Coleridge. Will intending visitors kindly notify the Hon. Sec., Rev. E. M. Thorp, Bucklebury Vicarage, Reading.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.

—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Tickhill on Saturday, June 17th. Bells (8) ready at 2 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea (1/6 each) at 5.30. The annual report will be on sale, and members are reminded that subscriptions for 1922 are now due.—F. Clark, Hon. Sec.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.

—The Quarterly meeting of the Western Division will be held at Skipton on June 17th, when the bells will be available all day for ringing. Tea will be at Dunford's Café, 9, Otley Street, at 5 p.m., at a charge of 1/6 each. Full particulars on circular.—F. Hopwood, Hon. Dist. Sec., 8, Keswick Street, Bradford.

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Stockport Branch.

—The next meeting will be held at Burbage, near Buxton, on Saturday, June 17th.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern

District.—Meeting will be held at St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, on Saturday, June 17th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 5.15 p.m. Tea at St. Andrew's Hall, Wells Street, at 6 p.m. Business meeting and ringing to follow. All are welcome.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Dis. Sec., 57, Market Street, W.2.

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—The president and Mrs.

Back extend a hearty invitation to all members of the Guild to visit Berkswell on Saturday, June 17th next. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

## ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.—The next meeting of the

above will be at Appledore on Saturday, June 17th. The bells will be available from 2 p.m. Tea will be arranged.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.

—A quarterly meeting will be held at Billingshurst on Saturday, June 17th. Tower open from 2.30, tea at 5 o'clock.—A. W. Groves, Div. Sec., 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.

—By kind permission of the Dean the next quarterly meeting will be held at Ripon on June 17th. Bells of the Cathedral (10) will be available from 11 a.m. to 4.45 p.m., and after tea till 9 p.m. The peal of 8 at Ebnar, about a mile from Ripon Station, will be available for ringing all day. Service at 5 o'clock, with an address by the Rev. C. M. Owens, Dean of Ripon. Tea at Wright's Café, 2s. 6d. per head. The headquarters for the day will be the Cathedral Hall, where a committee meeting will be held at 4 o'clock. The secretary extends a hearty invitation to all ringers.—A. L. Henderson, Hon. Dis. Sec.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-

CIATION.—Bristol Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Coalpit Heath on Saturday, June 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Business meeting to follow.—P. C. Williams, 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

## DEVONSHIRE GUILD.—North-east Branch.—A

meeting will be held at Oakford on Saturday, June 17th. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Short service and address at 4.45. Tea, 8d. each, at 5.15.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Secretary, Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN

ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bedwas on Saturday, June 24th (bells 6). Service at 4.30. Business meeting to follow.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**LONDON, ST. CLEMENTS' YOUTHS**, St. Clement Danes, Strand, W.C.—Practice every Wednesday, 6.30 till 8 o'clock. Ringing Tuesday evening, June 20th, from 7 till 8 o'clock; also Sunday morning, June 25th, 10 till 11 o'clock. Business meeting, Wednesday, June 28th, at 8 o'clock. An Outing to Chislehurst has been arranged for Saturday, 17th June. Meet at Chislehurst Station on arrival of the 2.25 p.m. train from Cannon Street Station. Cheap day excursion tickets issued for this train, fare 2s. 4d. return. Ringing at Chislehurst Church; tea at the Caves Tea Gardens about 5.15, followed by a visit to the Caves.—F. W. H. Sergison, Hon. Secretary.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD**.—North and East District.—A mid-week meeting will be held at Finchley on Thursday, June 22nd. Bells available from 7 to 9.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—C. T. Cobles, Hon. Sec.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION**.—Framlingham District.—A Practice meeting will be held at Worlingworth (8), Bedfield (6), and Earl Soham (6), June 24th. Bells available 3—9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—V. E. Kerridge, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, June 24th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. Subscriptions are due.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary, 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at New Church, near Warrington, on Saturday, 24th June. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting, 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Secretary.

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Western District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Tanfield, on Saturday, June 24th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Will members intending to be present please notify me on or before Wednesday, the 21st, to arrange for tea?—H. Tyson, 36, Front Street, Tantobie.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Central Division.—Quarterly meeting at Cuckfield (Hayward's Heath Station), Saturday, June 24th. Bells available from 2.30. Service, 4.30. Tea (by kind invitation), 5. Those attending please notify me by Tuesday, June 20th.—A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY**.—The usual monthly meeting will be held on June 24th at Tong. Peal attempt, 2.30 p.m. Business meeting, 7 p.m.—Charles E. Lawson, Hon. Secretary, 10, Leather Street, Leeds.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION**.—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Barton-in-Fabis on Saturday, 24th June. Ringing, 3 to 8 p.m. Tea, 5 o'clock.—T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Secretary, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Stand Church, Whitefield, on Saturday, June 24th. Bells ready, 3.30. Meeting, 7 o'clock. A good attendance is requested.—J. Hall, 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Branch Secretary.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION**.—Hinckley District.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Broughton Astley on Saturday, June 24th. Bells available, 3.30. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Secretary, Hinckley.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**.—A meeting will be held at Sprotborough on June 24th. Bells ready early. Tea on the Rectory lawn. A good attend-

ance is desired, Sprotborough being an ideal place for a day's outing. Tea only provided for those who notify me before the 20th.—Harold Walker, Hon. Secretary, 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Church of Sacred Heart, Talbot Road, Blackpool (8 bells), on Saturday, June 24th. Bells ready, 4 p.m. Meeting, 5.30. Visitors welcomed.—C. Sharples, Secretary, 32, Ormond Avenue, Blackpool.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—The Annual Summer Festival will be held at Woburn on Saturday, June 24th. The fine peal of bells will be available from 2 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. A hearty welcome will be given to all ringers.—A. E. Sharman, Hon. Secretary, 199, High Street, North Dunstable.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Berkeley on Saturday, June 24th. Bells (10) from 2.30 p.m. Service, 4 p.m. The Vicar (the Rev. H. C. Armour) will unveil a peal board recording a peal of Caters rung by Overseas Ex-Service men in memory of Fallen Ringers of the Diocese. Ringers welcome. Tea on the lawn at a moderate charge to those who notify me by June 20th.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Secretary, Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Sonning Branch.—A Combined Practice will be held at Wargrave on Saturday, June 24th, from 6 till 9 p.m.—Jos. White.

**SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS** (Estab. 1623).—The 299th anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Tuesday, June 27th. Bells are open all day, commencing at 9 a.m. Short service at 1 o'clock in the church. All ringers are cordially invited.—R. A. Strong, Hon. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Canterbury District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Stephen's, Canterbury, on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available at 3 o'clock. St. Stephen's (8). St. Alphege (6). St. Dunstan's (6). Christ Church Cathedral (10) at 7 o'clock. Service at 4 o'clock at St. Stephen's; an address will be given by the Rector (Rev. C. Stonehouse). Tea at the "Ye Olde Beverlie" at 4.30, provided by the Association. Will all those who intend to be present at tea kindly notify me not later than June 27th?—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Secretary, 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**.—Northern Division.—The next meeting will be held at Gestingthorpe on July 1st. Bells ready, 3 p.m. Service with address, 4.15. Tea at Schoolroom, 1s. each, to all sending me their names not later than Monday, June 26th.—Bert Redgwell, District Secretary, Rayne, S. & M. Braintree.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Beddington, on 1st July. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided for those who advise me not later than the 28th inst. All welcome.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Secretary, 7d, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Devizes Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Trowbridge on Saturday, July 1st. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service, 4.30. Tea, 5. Business meeting immediately after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.



**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next 6-bell Contest and Annual Meeting will be held at Shelley, on Saturday, July 1st. Draw at 2.45. Entries for Contest and Tea Tickets (1s. 6d. each) to be made to Mr. A. Hoyle, Town Gate, Shelley, by June 21st.—W. Frith, Secretary.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held at All Saints', Fulham, on Saturday, July 1st. Tower open from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A Ringing meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, July 1st. Please notify me on or before June 25th how many intend to be present from your Tower.—E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secretaries.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at Charing on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short service at 5. Tea at 5.45, provided by the Vicar. Business meeting to follow. All ringers intending to be present and requiring Tea must let me know not later than Tuesday morning, July 4th. Half railway fares up to 2s. will be paid at this meeting.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Dist. Secretary, Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Melbourne on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available at 2 o'clock. At 4 o'clock there will be an opportunity for ringers and their friends to visit the Hall gardens. The committee will meet at 4.30 in the Church House. Tea has been arranged for 5.30 at the Blue Bell Inn, 2/6 per head. General meeting will follow tea. Mr. A. Braines, Hon. Sec. Derby District, 7, Seale Street, Derby, should be advised by July 5th by those who wish to be included in the arrangements for tea.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Hersham, Surrey, on Saturday, 8th July. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30 p.m. Tea in the Church House at 5 p.m.—W. A. Woodrow, Rydens Grove, Hersham (for Hon. Sec., Geo. Miles).

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Mr. Albert Wright, Ivy Cottage, Pitchcombe, near Stroud, Glos, is the appointed Hon. Peal Secretary. Conductors of peals must send to him full particulars, fees and composition immediately peal has been rung.—Edgar Guise, General Hon. Sec.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. William Pye has removed to 74, Cecil Road, Leytonstope, E.11.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### INVITATION.

J. W., Masters Gerald and Malcolm Moorhouse and Miss Olive L. Lumley would be pleased to meet any ringers who care to call at Rockbourne, 70, Derby Road, Douglas, from the 23rd to the 30th inst. If any handbell ringer has an hour to spare when in Leeds they would be pleased to see him at 10, Mitford Road, Armley, Leeds.



## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



## W. ACGETT & SONS, Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

#### HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
**COVENTRY.**

#### PUBLICATION.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF  
LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton,  
Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to  
XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers  
I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in  
cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair  
Home, Wokingham.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowden Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REY. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Gaversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION...	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY	...	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods)	...	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob)	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	...	1 0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½in. 2¾in. 3½in. 3¾in. 4in. 4½in. 5in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 78/- 98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith.  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

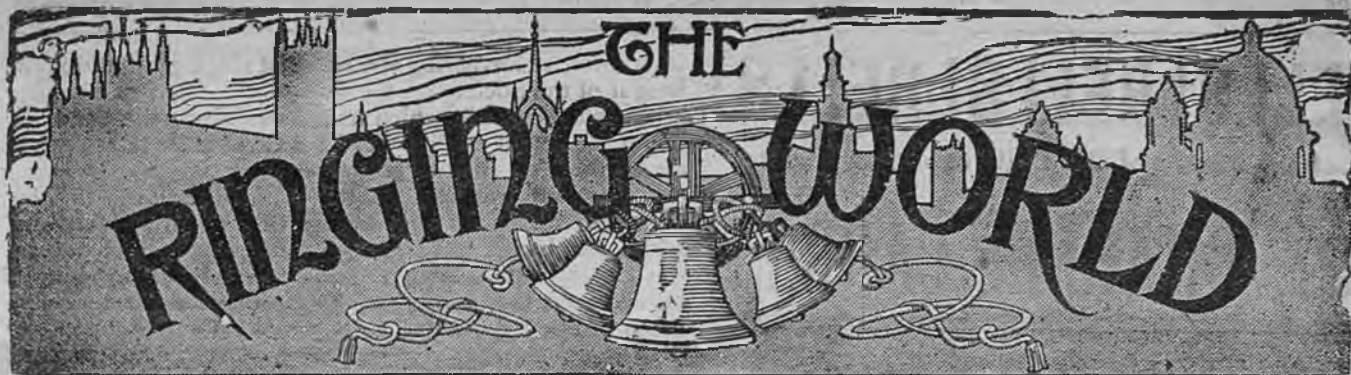
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER, Goldsmith and Jeweller,**  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING **WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 588. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23rd, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### TWO STEPS FORWARD.

We referred in our last issue to some of the subjects dealt with at the Central Council meeting at Lincoln, and turn this week to the work of two of the Committees which deserves to be specially brought to the notice of the Exercise. At long last the years of labour of the Methods Committee is to be given the light of publicity, and two companion volumes to the existing Collection of Minor Methods are to appear. We urged the Council seriously to consider the publication of the Collection of Plain Major Methods which the committee completed just before the war began, and which was first held up because of the priority which it was thought ought to be given to the Collection of Peals of Treble Bob. With this obstacle removed by the decision to place typewritten copies of the Treble Bob peals in the Library, only the question of being able to print at a reasonable cost stood in the way, and it is a wise step that the Council have taken to now issue the Collections of Plain Major Methods and the Little Major Methods. Not only is it giving practical recognition to the labours of the Committee, but it should be of great benefit to the Exercise at large by providing eight-bell men, who are at present tied down to the stereotyped methods of old, with an opportunity to practise something new, and something which, within the class of methods dealt with, will provide scope for all capacities. The Collection of Minor Methods has done a great deal to raise the standard of six-bell ringing, and there is every reason to believe that the publication of the Major methods will, in due course, have the same effect upon eight-bell ringing. At any rate, it will remove any excuse there may be for men who, for various reasons, have to confine their efforts to plain methods, not to widen their experience and their practice. At the same time the Committee will now have some encouragement to go ahead in compiling the Collection of Treble Bob methods.

One of the best pieces of Committee work done during the year has been by the Towers and Belfries Committee, which has been able to come to grips with the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, that body which hitherto has been something of a bugbear to bell founders by the limitations which in many cases it induced authorities to place upon restorations. The Society has now, we believe, been brought to see that the scientific principles of bell engineering, such as have been advanced by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, and so scientifically dealt with by that expert engineer and ringer, Mr. E. H. Lewis, strengthen rather than endanger a tower, and an agreement between the Council and the Society is likely to have far-reaching effects, not only in removing friction in the

(Continued on page 386.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 158, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

future, but of furthering the cause of ringing by getting the weight of the Society on the side of scientific bell hanging in the many cases in which its influence is cast in the scale. What the actual agreement of the Conference is, is not yet for publication (it awaits confirmation by the Society); but sufficient was said at the Council meeting to show that the figures on the subject of strains and stresses which Mr. Lewis had prepared could not be disputed by the experts called in by the Society, and if that by itself be accepted, it is a long step towards the settlement of a much-disputed question.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

TEWKESBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH AND THE ALL SAINTS' YOUTHS.)

On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb.

ERNEST E. DAVIS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 6
JOHN AUSTIN ... .. 2	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. 7
GEORGE HINTON, JUN. ... 3	WILLIAM C. JONES ... .. 8
SIDNEY HOLT ... .. 4	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... 9
JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... .. 5	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN A. BURFORD.

Conducted by W. PAGE.

First peal of Royal and first peal in a Surprise method on the bells. Messrs. E. E. Davis and J. Austin were elected members of the above Association before starting, and the best thanks of the remainder of the band are tendered to these two gentlemen for making up the band. They also appreciate the kindness of the Vicar for granting permission, and Mr. C. Dyson for having the bells ready.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND, W.C.,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

ARTHUR J. NEALE ... .. Treble	HAROLD P. BURTON ... .. 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	JEFFREY R. GAMMON ... 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	GEORGE A. CARD ... .. 8
GLADYS E. BATEMAN ... .. 4	HARRY MANCE ... .. 9
REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 5	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by THOS. H. TAFFENDER.

First peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal by the Association, and by all the band except the treble and 3rd. \* First attempt for a peal of Surprise.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

QUEENSBURY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE BOTTOMLEY ... .. Treble	EDGAR WHITELEY ... .. 5
ELI FARRAR ... .. 2	*GEORGE SCOTT ... .. 6
*WILLIAM AMBLER ... .. 3	JOE GREENWOOD ... .. 7
†WALTER MOONCEY ... .. 4	ALBERT JAGGER ... .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by ALBERT JAGGER.

\* First peal. † First peal in Yorkshire. The ringers of the 1st, 2nd, 7th and tenor hail from Northowram.

CHURCHILL, OXON.—At All Saints' Church, on Whit Sunday, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 45 mins.: W. Haynes 1, L. Timms 2, A. Timms 3, E. Andrews 4, A. Hill (conductor) 5, A. J. Hedger 6. First quarter-peal by the local band.

SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS. — On Sunday, June 4th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: W. Allen, junr., 1, G. Allen 2, W. Allen 3, O. Partridge 4, C. Allen 5, T. Bettison (conductor) 6. First 720 by ringers of 1, 2, 3 and 5.

**PENN, STAFFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
 At the Church of St. Bartholomew,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 11 cwt.	
HUGH J. BALCOMBE ... ..	Treble	HERBERT KNIGHT ... ..	5
EDWARD HORTIN ... ..	2	JOHN PERRY ... ..	6
*THOMAS RODEN ... ..	3	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ...	7
*HERBERT E. BOOTH ... ..	4	*ARTHUR BOWYER ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER WALLATER.

\* First peal of Stedman.

**MALPAS, CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, June 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
 At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.	
ROBERT SPERRING ... ..	GEORGE R. JONES ... ..
WILLIAM CLARKE ... ..	JAMES H. RIDING ... ..
RICHARD T. HOLDING ... ..	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... ..
JOHN HAYES ... ..	EDWARD V. RODENHURST ...

Composed by J. LOCKWOOD. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.  
 First peal in the method on the bells and by all except treble and 5th.

**PENDLETON, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, June 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
 At the Church of St. Thomas,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FIVE-PART.		Tenor 18 cwt.	
P.C. DONALD BROWN ... ..	Treble	P.C. FREDERICK PAGE ... ..	5
P.C. GEORGE PYE ... ..	2	P.C. PETER CROOK ... ..	6
P.C. WALTER BILLINGE ... ..	3	P.C. JOSEPH WILSON ... ..	7
P.C. JOHN CARTER ... ..	4	P.C. WILLIAM PYE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by P.C. PETER CROOK.

Rung as a farewell peal to P.C. W. Billinge on completion of 26 years' service in the Manchester Police Force.

**TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, June 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
 At the Church of St. George,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11½ cwt.	
HARRY ALLRED ... ..	Treble
*ROBERT ALLRED, JUN. ... ..	2
JAMES W. GROUNDS ... ..	3
THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... ..	4

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by THOMAS B. WORSLEY.  
 Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allred on the occasion of their silver wedding, also as a compliment to Mrs. Joseph Gregory, who was 71 on June 11th. \* First peal in the method.

**DERBY.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, June 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
 At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.	
WILFRED H. BUXTON ... ..	Treble
FREDERICK WALDRON ... ..	2
*CYRIL J. JENNINGS ... ..	3
WILLIAM A. PARSONS ... ..	4

Composed by T. THURSTANS. Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.  
 \* First peal away from the treble. † First peal. Rung with the bells fully muffled on the anniversary of the death of Trooper W. J. Davies, a former member of the St. Peter's band.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

**BROMLEY, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, June 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
 At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 19½ cwt.	
WALTER SMITH ... ..	Treble	ERNEST B. CROWDER ... ..	5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. ...	2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... ..	6
ARTHUR H. PALMER ... ..	3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ...	7
GEORGE DURLING ... ..	4	EDMUND MOUNTER ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

**LONDON.**  
**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON**  
**DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Tuesday, June 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,  
 At Christ Church, Cubitt Town,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S FOUR-PART.		Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.	
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	Treble	GEORGE B. LUCAS ... ..	5
ARTHUR MASON ... ..	2	HAROLD W. CLARK ... ..	6
JOHN J. LAMB ... ..	3	CHARLES T. COLES ... ..	7
REUBEN SANDERS ... ..	4	DALBY HODGSON ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

Mr. Sanders has now rung each bell in the tower to a peal 3 or more times.

**WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.**  
**THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Wednesday, June 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
 At the Church of St. Paul,

**A PEAL OF PREMIER SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17½ cwt.	
WILLIAM L. GOFTON ... ..	Treble
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... ..	2
JAMES E. GOFTON ... ..	3
R. ALDER GOFTON ... ..	4

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by JOSEPH A. GOFTON.  
 Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Mr. T. Smith, of Jesmond, and Miss Mildred Isobel Dobson, St. Margaret's Lodge, Monkseaton.

**HYDE, CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Wednesday, June 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
 At the Church of St. George,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt. 0 qr. 11 lb. in E.	
WILLIAM SHAW ... ..	Treble
*ALBERT MARSHALL ... ..	2
JOHN BRIERLEY ... ..	3
HARRY NORGROVE ... ..	4

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by TOM WILDE.  
 \* First peal on eight bells. First peal in the method as conductor.

**CARISBROOKE, ISLE OF WIGHT.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
 (ISLE OF WIGHT DISTRICT.)

On Thursday, June 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
 At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.		Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. 0 lb.	
WILLIAM CHAMBERS ... ..	Treble	ALBERT CALLAWAY ... ..	5
WILLIAM JOHNSON ... ..	2	WALTER SCOTT, JUN. ... ..	6
WALTER SCOTT, SEN. ... ..	3	WILLIAM UPTON ... ..	7
JOHN BACON ... ..	4	HARRY PHILLIPS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM UPTON.

First peal on the bells since recasting and rehangng by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 5th. Believed to be the first peal in this tower for over 100 years. Charles Taylor, a Carisbrooke ringer, took the tenor till nearly the half-peal end, but had to give up owing to indisposition. H. Phillips (reserve) took the rope and continued. The remainder are all ringers at Newport Parish Church. First peal as conductor.



**PULHAM, NORFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, June 15, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,**

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.	
ERNEST WHITING ... .. Treble	CHARLES CUTTING ... .. 5
HERBERT PIERCY ... .. 2	JAMES BOUGHTON ... .. 6
CHARLES BAKER ... .. 3	CHARLES T. P. BRICE ... .. 7
JAMES TANN ... .. 4	FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by E. WHITING.

**WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, June 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb.

GEORGE T. PEGNALL ... .. Treble	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 5
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. JOINER ... .. 3	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... 7
*JOSEPH BRETTTELL ... .. 4	FRANK R. COPEMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Messrs. W. H. Joiner and J. Brettell were elected members of the Association previous to starting. \* First peal in the method.

**DARTFORD, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, June 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,**

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

EDWARD BATES ... .. Treble	*HARRY W. RAYNER ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... .. 2	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. 6
JOHN WHEADON ... .. 3	*HENRY SIMMONDS ... .. 7
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 4	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

\* First peal of Treble Bob on an 'inside' bell.

**ASHTED, SURREY.**  
**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,**

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN BEAMS ... .. Treble	JOHN WHITE ... .. 5
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 2	JOHN HOYLE ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK HOPGOOD. Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

**COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.**  
**THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.**

*On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Four Hours and Two Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,**

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

LEONARD HEWITT ... .. Treble	WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 5
WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... 6
ALFRED S. BAYLEY ... .. 3	WALTER LAGO ... .. 7
JOSEPH HANLEY ... .. 4	*JOHN JOHNSTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by E. V. RODENHURST.

\* First peal. † First peal as conductor.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

**GREAT REDUCTIONS.**

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**

**FULBOURN, CAMBS.**  
**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Three Hours and a half Minute,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. VIGOR AND ALL SAINTS,**

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

T. REGINALD DENNIS ... Treble	HUGH BENSON ... .. 5
ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... .. 2	WILFRID HOOTON ... .. 6
YORKE GREEN ... .. 3	FRED J. FITSTOW ... .. 7
ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... .. 4	BASIL D. BUTTRESS ... Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

This is the first peal on the bells since the addition of two new trebles.

**IPSWICH SUFFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,**

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

NORMAN BAILEY ... .. Treble	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 5
WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... .. 2	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. 6
ALBERT LINCOLN ... .. 3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... .. 7
JAMES DURRANT ... .. 4	FREDERICK J. TILLET ... Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH.

Conducted by GEO. E. SYMONDS.

C.C. Collection, No. 48.

**STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION**  
**(HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)**

*On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,**

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

*WILLIAM H. BRIGGS ... Treble	CHARLES H. BRIGGS ... .. 5
TOM ATKINS ... .. 2	FRED COTTON ... .. 6
CHARLES H. WEBB ... .. 3	FREDERICK E. WILSON ... .. 7
CHARLES W. BROWN ... .. 4	THOMAS COOPER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. COTTON.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Stella Disney, a ringing member of the M.C.A. (daughter of the Rev. Canon Disney, Rector of Stoney Stanton), on attaining her 21st birthday. \* First peal of Triples away from tenor.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

**TEYNHAM, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,**

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

*V. PAGE ... .. Treble	†E. W. TUMBER ... .. 4
C. TUMBER ... .. 2	†E. HODGES ... .. 5
*E. W. GAMBELL ... .. 3	W. NYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. NYE.

\* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell. First peal on the bells by a local band.

**LLANTRECHFA, MONMOUTHSHIRE.**  
**THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, June 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,**

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings.

MISS PRIMROSE HOCKEY ... Treble	WILLIAM POWELL ... .. 4
FERDINAND MORGAN ... .. 2	SIDNEY PURKISS ... .. 5
JAMES PHILLIPS ... .. 3	ROBERT DREWETT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES PHILLIPS.

**GUILDFORD.** — At Holy Trinity Church, on Sunday, June 11th Feast of the Holy Trinity, for evensong, 1,260 Stedman Triples (Thurstans): H. Hutton 1, W. E. Jelley 2, G. W. Steers 3, A. H. Pulling 4, H. Burdock 5, W. R. Melville 6, C. Hazelden (conductor) 7, H. Harris 8.

**MUCH MAROLE, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sunday, June 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Bartholomew,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

CHRIS. BOWERS ... .. Treble	E. WILLIAM TURNER ... .. 4
DAVID HORNE ... .. 2	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 5
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 3	GEORGE JORDAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES CAMM.

**FARMBOROUGH, BATH.**

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Tuesday, June 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 10 cwt.

*CHARLES J. PAIN ... .. Treble	*FRANK FLOWER ... .. 4
GERALD GRIFFIN ... .. 2	THOMAS GRIFFIN ... .. 5
†A. E. B. HEAL ... .. 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

\* First peal of Minor. † First peal. First peal of Minor on the bells.

**STRETTON, CHESHIRE.**

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Matthew,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Bob, Double Oxford and St. Clement's, and two 720's each of College Single Reverse and Oxford Single Bob.

SYDNEY SAGE ... .. Treble	ERNEST BOSTOCK ... .. 4
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 2	LENARD BOSTOCK ... .. 5
SCOTT SAGE ... .. 3	JOHN H. DAVENPORT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

First peal in five methods by all and on the bells by a local band.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

**GUILDFORD, SURREY.**

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Monday, June 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Royal Grammar School,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 18 in G.

MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... .. 1-2	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 5-6
ARTHUR J. BARTLETT ... .. 3-4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

Mr. C. Hazelden heard the last portion of this peal.

**LONDON.**

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Wednesday, June 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At 31, RIFFLE ROAD, CRICKLEWOOD, N.W.,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPS, 5053 CHANGES;**

*GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 1-2	GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 5-6
WILLIAM PYE ... .. 3-4	JOHN THOMAS ... .. 7-8
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 9-10	

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.  
Umpire: HARRY KILBY.

\* First peal on ten bells.

**CAMBRIDGE.**

**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, June 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,  
In TRINITY COLLEGE,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

E. G. HIBBINS ... .. 1-2	H. G. BENSON ... .. 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOGHEY ... .. 3-4	W. H. J. HOOTON ... .. 7-8

Composed by REV. J. H. PILKINGTON. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

**HARWICH, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, June 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
At 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,*

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.  
Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

**APPLETON LONG PEAL.**

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—I had no intention of entering into any correspondence on this subject, as I had no wish to say anything to belittle the Appleton peal, but as your correspondent who signs himself London Ringer tries to belittle the Loughborough peal, and has not the courage to sign his name, I think he deserves to be pulled up.

Now I am not going to try and stuff your readers with a lot of fairy tales, but plain facts, which no living being can truthfully dispute. First of all, I ask your correspondent if Appleton bells go so bad, why was such a place selected? There has been a large number of long lengths rung there; in fact, most of the Oxford Guilds record lengths have been rung there, yet the bells go bad. We heard the same yarn about Kidlington, the rocking tower, making the bells drop. I visited this place a few years ago, and was surprised to find they went splendid. I also measured the tenor, and I should say she is barely 23 cwt. Your correspondent says F. White slogged away at the tenor for six hours, with dry bearings. As the lubricators did not work it is not necessary to have such things. I have rung most of my long peals without them. Probably greased bells do not require them; the speed is not sufficient. Probably some novice might believe him when he says the tenor bearings were dry for six hours, but it's no use telling a ringer of my experience such a yarn. No human being after ringing 6½ hours could slog for another six hours. I have done a bit of pulling in my time, so I know what it is; and, again, the time the peal was rung in is sufficient proof that there is nothing the matter with them. The time works out at 2 hours 54 minutes 5,000, which means that the bells were rung low down. You cannot ring bad-going bells low down over such a distance, and as regards his remarks about light bells hanging on your arms, they would not hang on your arms at the pace they were ringing; in fact, no tenor is held long enough to hang on your arm. He says it is easier to ring a 30½ cwt. tenor than a 14½ cwt. I wonder what he would say if ever he succeeds in turning St. Paul's Cathedral tenor in, and someone, say, rang the same peal at Shoreditch, less than half the weight, and claimed it to be the biggest performance. And as regards his remarks about ringing Loughborough tenor with a piece of string, he will probably be surprised to hear that when the record peal was rung she was hung in plain bearings. The Appleton bells have been in the hands of the White family for a number of years, and they have overhauled them.

In conclusion, I may say that I have never openly expressed my opinion as to which is the greatest performance of the two, but I am the same opinion as a good many others, that the Loughborough peal as a performance has not been beaten. Compared with it Appleton is only a handbell peal.—Yours,

W. PYE.

**BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER.**

A branch of the Stow and District Bell Ringers has been started, which is affiliated to the Gloucester and Bristol Association, and they held their first meeting on Saturday, June 10th, at Bourton-on-the-Water.

The following towers were well represented: Stow, Bourton, North-beach, Great Rissington, Wych Rissington, Upper Slaughter, Lower Slaughter and Todenham.

The bells were set going at 3.30. A short service was held in church at 4.30, conducted by the Rector (Canon White), and the address was given by the Rev. F. C. Champion (Vicar-Designate of Powick, Worcester). Canon White kindly entertained the members to tea, and the usual business meeting followed.—Canon White, the President of the Branch, took the chair. In a few remarks, the President welcomed the members to Bourton, and referred to the good progress of the branch, and said how sorry he was to lose his colleague and secretary to the branch, and hoped that the branch would prosper.—The Secretary (the Rev. F. C. Champion), in reply, said that he was sorry to give up this interesting work, and he felt sure that he would be able to find a good man to act as secretary before he left to take up his work at Powick.

After welcoming new members, etc., the business concluded, and the bells were set going again to various methods.

### RINGERS' WEDDINGS.

On Saturday, June 3rd, the marriage was solemnised at St Nicholas' Parish Church, Deptford, between William Herbert Daynes, eldest son of Mr. George H. Daynes (churchwarden of St. Nicholas'), and of Mrs. Daynes, 66, Ashburnham Grove, Greenwich, and Emma Louisa Boon, of East Greenwich, eldest daughter of Mr. Richard Boon. The Vicar (the Rev. T. W. Pitman) officiated, and the service was fully choral, Mr. Charles Brown being at the organ.

The bride, who wore a silver grey costume, with hat to match, was attended by Miss Alice A. Daynes and Miss Edith M. Daynes, sisters of the bridegroom, and Mr. Sydney E. Daynes was best man.

The bells were rung both before and after the service by the combined companies of St. John and St. Nicholas, Deptford, both of which the bridegroom is a member. After the reception, the happy pair left for Eastbourne for the honeymoon.

A ringers' wedding of unusual interest took place at St. Augustine's Church, Rumney, on Whit Monday, when Mr. Arthur Young was married to Miss Hilda Howells, both of whom are members of the local band.

The Rev. D. J. Davies officiated. The bride, who was given away by her father, was charmingly attired in grey crepe de chine, with hat to match. She was attended by the Misses D. and A. Howells (sisters) and Miss M. Young (sister of the bridegroom). The reception was held at the bride's home, and later the happy pair left for Cheltenham, where the honeymoon is to be spent.

The bells were rung after the ceremony, and also fired by the local ringers.

The bride offered her services as a ringer during the dark days of the war, when the local band was crippled owing to several members joining H.M. Forces, and became so enamoured with the Exercise that she has been loth to give it up. Mr. Young has but lately joined the band.

To show their appreciation of the bride's faithful service, her fellow ringers presented her and her husband with a fruit set, the band also wishing them long life and happiness and a speedy return to their places in the belfry.

Miss Josephine L. Williams, the youngest daughter of the genial and popular hon. secretary of the North Forest Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, was married to Mr. William J. Harvey, of the Saddlery, Cinderford, at Newent Parish Church on Whit Monday afternoon. Miss Williams being one of the local ringers, it was only fitting that her colleagues should immediately the ceremony was over strike out the bells, and after some three-quarters of an hour's ringing the ropes were handed over to old ringing friends of Mr. Williams from Gloucester and Newport, who had specially mustered to honour one of the most enthusiastic members of the Association. The bells were kept going at intervals throughout the day.

A marriage unique in the sense that the principals are bell ringers at the Rotherham Parish Church, was solemnised there on Wednesday, June 7th, when Miss Winifred May Hague, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Hague, of 16, Godstone Road, Rotherham, and Mr. Thomas Colin Ryder, youngest son of Mr. and the late Mrs. Ryder, of Templeborough were joined in the bonds of holy matrimony. The Vicar (the Rev. Canon Allen) officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was gowned in silver lace draped with grey georgette, and had a hat to match, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. There were four bridesmaids. The two elder ones, Miss E. King and Miss D. Hague, were attired in Cambridge blue crepe de chine, embroidered in pink, and black crinoline hats, whilst the two junior bridesmaids, Misses P. Hague and M. Scott, wore petal dresses of white crepe de chine and mob caps, and carried baskets of sweet peas. Each bridesmaid wore a gold brooch, the gift of the bridegroom. Mr. C. R. Wright acted as best man, and Mr. L. Scott was the groomsman. The bridegroom's present to the bride was a kit fox fur wrap.

Immediately after the ceremony the bell ringers executed a merry peal. The bride's parents held a reception at the Gerard Road Schoolroom, where about 80 guests were entertained. Numerous wedding gifts were received, including a mahogany oval mirror from the staff of Messrs. Owen and Dyson, Ltd., and a tea service from the Rotherham Parish Church bell ringers. The honeymoon is being spent at Torquay, the bride travelling in a navy blue coat dress and fur wrap.

Miss E. K. Parker, of London, representing the Ladies Guild of Church Bell Ringers; Miss Olive Lumley, of Leeds; Mr. Albert Ward of Derby, and the energetic secretary of the North Notts Association (Mr. H. Haigh), were amongst the honoured guests.

An attempt was made for a peal of Stedman Caters, composed by Mr. A. Knight, Chesterfield. The company standing as follows: Messrs. B. A. Knight (conductor), C. Harrison, R. Harrison, S. F. Palmer, J. W. Chown, H. Thorpe, W. Allwood, W. Bugar, J. Thorpe and T. Lea. But after ringing half-way the peal was abandoned owing to the extreme heat and the bad going of the

tenor, which requires the attention of the bell founders of this famous peal of ten.

All the ringers were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. C. Hague at the reception rooms, and delighted the company by ringing Grand sire Caters and Cinques, and various touches in other methods during the evening.—Mr. F. Willey was entrusted with the toast of the day, of proposing the health of the bride and bridegroom, and trusted they would be given health, happiness and prosperity, to go the full sixty courses, representing sixty years of married life together, and fulfilling the maxim of measuring their own happiness by the amount they give to other people.

### RINGERS' OUTINGS.

The ringers of St. Wilfred's, Standish, with their wives and friends, visited Morecambe by charabanc on Whit Monday, June 5th. The party left Standish at 8.30. The first stop was Seorton and the bells were soon going to Grand sire Triples, and a well-struck touch was brought round. Bob Major and Kent Treble Bob followed. After lowering the bells in peal, the party started for Lancaster. After dinner, the party wended their way to the Parish Church, St. Mary's, where the ringers gave the visitors a welcome. The bells, a fine peal of eight (tenor 31 cwt.) were soon going to Grand sire and Bob Major. Morecambe was reached at 3.30. The ringers wish to thank the incumbents of the towers and the friends who met them for the use of the bells, and the kind reception given to them. The return journey to Standish was safely accomplished.

The ringers of St. Giles', Willenhall, Staffs, had their annual outing to Llangollen on Whit Tuesday, accompanied by their wives and friends, the Vicar (the Rev. T. H. P. Hyatt, M.A.) and daughter. The Parish Church was visited, and its fine peal of eight bells were soon going to Stedman Triples; afterwards, call changes for the learners, so that all could have a pull. Arriving at Shrewsbury on the return journey we were welcomed by Mr. Chas. Lilley and the local ringers. Stedman Cinques was tried, but was not successful, it being the first attempt for several of the band. Afterwards Stedman and Grand sire Caters and Triples were rung. The band are greatly indebted to Mr. Davies, of Llangollen, for getting permission to ring; also to Mr. C. Lilley and the Shrewsbury ringers, who kindly arranged to meet us.

C. W.

The Bonvilstone ringers took their annual outing by charabanc on Saturday, June 10th. Miss Facey joined the party at Runney, and at Newport the Association hon. secretary, Mr. J. W. Jones, also joined the party. On arrival at Penhow, the Rector readily consented for the bells to be rung. A halt was made at Chepstow for luncheon and sightseeing, and a ring on the fine peal of eight, these, too, by Evans. Tintern was visited next, and after going through the fine old Tintern Abbey a return was made to Chepstow for tea. On the return journey a visit was paid to Caldicot, where hangs a musical and good-going ring of eight, and after these had been sampled a move was made for Magor, where there is a ring of six. The bells were raised, and were soon off into Doubles, and afterwards a few 120's were lowered. Opportunity is now taken to thank the incumbents and the local ringers at all places visited for their kindness in granting the bells, and for the welcome received.

On Saturday, June 17th, the Barley bell ringers held their annual outing, and with two members of the Barkway band, visited several towers in Hertfordshire. A touch of Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung on the Barley bells at 8 a.m., and then Barkway was visited, where touches of Kent Treble Bob Major and Stedman Triples were successfully brought home. A move was then made to Anstey, on a peal of six, but as they need the attention of a bell hanger, the 'go' of the back bells being bad, only Plain Bob Minor was brought home, though Kent and Woodbine Treble Bob Minor were attempted. After dinner, at Puckridge, a move was made to Standon on a nice peal of six, with a tenor of 17 cwt., where Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob Minor and Plain Bob Minor were brought home. Braughling tower was the next place to be visited, where a touch of Kent Major was brought home on the famous bells, though Grand sire Triples failed to be rung. Aspenden was the last place to be visited, after bringing home a touch of Grand sire Triples. The ringers wish to thank the clergy of the various churches for the use of the bells.

R. H.

### A FALSE COMPOSITION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Owing to some careless blunder on my part, the composition of the 18,000 Treble Bob is false. I, therefore, withdraw peal, and offer every apology to those who rang in it. I have also to thank Mr. J. W. Parker for so kindly pointing this out.

25, Longford Terrace, Crumlin Road, Dublin.

G. LINDOFF.

**UNVEILING CEREMONIES.**

The annual meetings of the Association of Church Bell Ringers for the dioceses of Gloucester and Bristol took place on Whit Monday, June 5th. The management committee transacted business in St. Thomas's Church Room, Bristol, at 10.45, under the presidency of Mr. H. T. Howell, the Master. At noon there was a short service in the crypt of St. Nicholas' Church, and it was attended by members from all the districts of Bristol, and from Swindon, Dursley, Wotton-under-Edge, Chow Magna, Bridgwater, Chedzoy, Stroud, Cheltenham, Thornbury, Painswick and Weymouth. The clergy present were the Revs. T. J. Bowen, A. J. Day, M. E. Thorold, and T. C. Fowler. The Rev. T. J. Bowen gave a short address.

Immediately after the service, the clergy, members and Dr. Alexander went to the Church of St. Mary-le-Port, where the Rector (the Rev. A. J. Day) unveiled a peal board.

Mr. Frank Howell, of Thornbury (treasurer) asked the Rector to accept the board on behalf of the Association, and expressed the hope that it would be handed down through the ages.

The Rector said he had great pleasure in accepting the board, and they could rest assured that anything that was committed to the charge of St. Mary-le-Port would have ample care bestowed upon it.

After the ceremony, short touches of the same method were rung by the same ringers with one exception. P. O. Cave, B.Sc., Bristol University, having gone to Southampton, Miss Brown took his place, and Mr. H. T. Howell (Master of the Association) was at the treble.

**SUPERFLUITY AND POVERTY.**

A general business meeting was held in St. Philip's School during the afternoon, under the guidance of the Master. A satisfactory report was presented and unanimously adopted. Thanks were given Mr. Edgar Guise (hon. secretary) for his valuable services to the Association.

Some items in the financial statement were discussed, and the balance sheet was referred back for redrafting. The following officers were re-elected, Mr. H. T. Howell (Master), Mr. Edgar Guise (hon. secretary), Mr. F. K. Howell (hon. treasurer), Mr. Albert Wright (hon. peal secretary).—A motion to rescind the resolution of 1912 limiting the number of representatives on the Central Committee to one, was carried nem. con., and it was decided that after this year the representatives should be two—Messrs. W. A. Cave (Bristol) and Mr. B. Bishop (Swindon). Thanks were passed to Mr. Sidney Loxton for providing a peal board for Berkeley, and to Mr. Burchell for auditing the accounts.

The Rev. T. C. Fowler (Redfield) proposed a vote of thanks to all incumbents for the use of rooms and bells, and suggested that the Association might do a good work in using their influence to have some of the superfluous bells of the city removed to the suburbs. At

present the bells were confined to too small an area, while there were practically no rings in the suburbs. The vote was cordially adopted.

**A FAMILY OF RINGERS.**

St. Thomas' Church and lawn (City) were the places of the next functions. In the ringing chamber of the tower has been affixed a memorial board recording the last peal in which Edward Abraham, a member of the Association, took part prior to his going to the war, where he was killed.

There was a large assembly in the ringing chamber at the ceremony, including Messrs. G. Spurrier and G. E. Ford (churchwardens). The hymn, 'O God, our help in ages past,' having been sung.

Mr. H. E. Green (hon. secretary of St. Thomas' Guild of Ringers) remarked that, with the sanction of the Vicar and churchwardens, the Guild had set up a peal board in memory of one of their former members who had been killed in the war. He asked the Vicar to accept it and Mrs. Bower to unveil.

Mrs. Bower having removed the Union Jack that covered it, short touches of Grandsire Triples were rung.

The Rev. W. G. Bower, the Vicar, remarked that there were several thoughts and feelings in their mind. The first was of respect and sympathy with the family and relatives of the one whose memory was commemorated by the board set up. He belonged to a family closely connected with St. Thomas', and more intimately with its bells. The father and brother carried on the tradition of the family, being members of St. Thomas' Guild of Ringers. He trusted that the memorial would keep alive that spirit which would stimulate them to take part in the glorious warfare against sin and evil for which he whose memory they perpetuated laid down his life.

After a fresco tea on the lawn peals were rung on handbells.

Later in the evening the Rev. M. E. Thorold, an ex-Master, unveiled in St. Stephen's tower a tablet bearing the subjoined inscription:—Bristol. The Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association (St. Stephen's Guild).—On Tuesday, May 9th, 1922, in 3 hours and 12 mins., at the Church of St. Stephen-the-Martyr, a peal of Clifton Surprise Royal, 5,000 changes (tenor 21cwt. in E): Jesse B. Tyler 1. Edwin J. Ridler 2. Edwin J. Brown 3. Alf. E. Reeves 4. Richard Clark 5. Wm. H. Thomas 6. William Knight 7. Henry Fring 8. John A. Burford 9. Wm. A. Cave 10. Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by John A. Burford.

First peal rung in the method which is an extension of Bristol Surprise Major by the Rev. E. Bankes James. It is desired to associate the names of two former members of the band with this peal, G. Condiok, junr. (London), and P. W. Cave, B.Sc. (Southampton), who took part in earlier attempts.

The coming of visitors from near and far was signalled by their 'sampling' the bells of Christ Church, St. Nicholas', Redcliff, St. Thomas', St. Philip's, St. James', St. Michael's and St. Stephen's.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Bellfounders and**

**Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD**

**LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The rehanging of the peal of six at Bingham, Notts, with the addition of two trebles to make, is being carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, who also have in hand the rehanging of the peal of eight at Youlgrave, Derbyshire.

There was one member of the Central Council who set out to attend the meeting, but failed to reach Lincoln, at any rate before the meeting closed.

This was the Hon. Secretary of the Devon Guild, who started from Plymouth to travel by way of the Lake District and Edinburgh, but a motor breakdown on a Scotch moor delayed him a full day. Hence his absence from the meeting.

With reference to an inquiry recently in this column as to whether Mr. Herbert Holmes, of Market Deeping, was the first ringer to ring ten Minor methods in his first peal, Mr. J. Heckingbottom, of Denton, writes that Mr. Harry Bardsley rang the third through a 5,040 in thirteen methods (nine of which were spliced), on February 7th, 1920, and this is his only peal up to now.

The report of a peal at Gaywood, Norfolk, on May 27th, has been sent in without the name of the conductor. May we again suggest to those who send in peal reports that when they write out their particulars they should do so with a copy of 'The Ringing World' before them, so that they may see exactly the information to give and the form in which to give it. It would save many delays and errors.

While returning from the meeting of the Winchester Guild, at Whitechurch, on Saturday, Mr. G. Williams had a slight mishap, the free-wheel of his cycle gave out. Mr. P. Cave, B.Sc., gallantly came to the rescue, and towed him home, a matter of some 12 miles, which was safely reached without another 'shift course'. The sight of one cyclist towing another caused considerable amusement along the route.

The peal of Superlative at Loughborough Bell Foundry on June 10th, and reported in our last issue, should be credited to the Midland Counties Association.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The Whit Monday meeting of the above Association was held at Darlington, on June 5th, and was favoured by ideal weather. The bells of St. Cuthbert, St. John and Holy Trinity, being available for ringing, were soon going to the tune of Stedman, Kent and Grand-sire.

The committee meeting took place at the Fleece Hotel. Ringers were present from Darlington, Chester-le-Street (including Miss Donnison, who had the honour of being the first lady member of the Association to ring a peal), Newcastle, Gateshead, Sunderland, Bishopwearmouth, Newburn, etc.

After dinner, the general meeting was held, Mr. Wm. Story (president) occupying the chair. — A hearty vote of thanks was carried by acclamation to the Vicars and wardens of the three towers for the use of their bells, and also to the towerkeepers for having all in readiness.

The following members were then elected: Performing members: Mr. Sheraton and Mr. Loadman Donnison, of Chester-le-Street, and Mr. F. W. Lupson, of Holy Trinity, Darlington. Honorary performing member: Mr. George A. Pickering, of St. Nicholas' Cathedral, Newcastle. Honorary member: Dr. F. Hylton Jackson, Rector of Chester-le-Street.

Mr. W. Story then addressed the meeting, and stated that the reports covering the period from 1914-21 were now ready, and could be obtained from the secretary (Mr. B. C. Dixon) for one shilling per copy. He stated that the ringers' memorial was getting on rather slowly, but that a design was in preparation, and that it was hoped to have everything ready for the unveiling to take place during the next annual meeting at Newcastle. The whole party adjourned, including Messrs. Percy Johnson, Fred Salmons and F. Cotterill, to the towers to indulge in some more ringing. The Yorkshire invasion was the direct cause of some splendidly - struck touches being brought round. After tea, further ringing was indulged in.

## BIRTH.

**WALKER.**—On Tuesday, June 13th, 1922, at 1, Priory Hill, Dover, to Mr. and Mrs. Christopher R. Walker—a daughter.

## MARRIAGE.

**RYDER—HAGUE.**—On Wednesday, June 7th, at Rotherham Parish Church (by the Rev. Canon Allen), Thos. Colin Ryder, youngest son of Mr. and the late Mrs. Ryder, of Templeboro', to Winifred May Hague, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Hague, of Godstone Road, Rotherham.

## ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. SUCCESSFUL MEETINGS AT CHELMSFORD.

The 43rd annual meeting of the Essex Association was held at Chelmsford on Whit Monday, and passed off very successfully, there being a representative gathering of ringers from all parts of the county. At the previous annual meeting, held at Walthamstow, a resolution was unanimously adopted to revert to the old custom of holding the annual meeting of the association always at Chelmsford, and this action was fully justified on Whit Monday. In addition to being the centre of the diocese, Chelmsford is easily reached from the suburban and rural parts of the county, and in addition it is the home of very fine bells, chief among the local peals being the Cathedral twelve, while the neighbouring villages have excellent rings of eight all easily approached. There can be no doubt Chelmsford is the popular meeting-place for Essex ringers, and they rallied in strong force on Whit Monday. At the previous annual meeting, when the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre resigned, after many years' service from the office of secretary to the association, the Master, Mr. C. H. Howard, J.P., Braintree, also suggested he might consider the question of retirement, and would welcome any other member who might have the confidence of the Association being put forward for the office of Master. The matter had been seriously considered during the year, with the result that a general consensus of opinion was shown among the members that there was no one else who would carry out the Master's duties so well as Mr. Howard had done during his thirteen years in office, and at the business meeting Mr. Howard was unanimously re-elected to the post. It was clearly shown that Mr. Howard had proved himself a most popular Master of the Association; by his personal interest he had inspired the members with a high ideal of the work of the Association and the result of his efforts has been shown in the officers of the Essex Association being recognised and consulted by incumbents and church officials in the county upon matters relating to bell improvements throughout the diocese. The culminating feature of the last year's work of the Essex Association was the fact that for the first time the membership was raised to over one thousand — a record very largely due to the influence the Master has exerted. It is small wonder, in view of such an accomplishment, that the members in the annual meeting should unanimously re-elect Mr. Howard as Master, although he explicitly stated that he would welcome any other aspirant to the office, and would continue his personal interest in the Association just the same.

Proceedings commenced with service in the Cathedral, conducted by Canon Lake, Rector of Chelmsford, the ringers' form of service being used. The lesson was read by Mr. C. H. Howard, J.P., Master. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. G. Neill, Vicar of Great Baddow, from the Epistle to the Galatians: 'The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,' etc. The preacher said the object for which creation was called into being was to produce music, and a great song of praise and thanksgiving to the Creator; everything was in perfect harmony, and there was no jarring note. In church bells more intellect was used to produce harmony, and no more pleasant music could be heard than that of bells ringing out their message on a quiet evening. As the harmony was carried from some distant church it must be a great blessing to those who heard. The history of bells was something like the history of man; they must be passed through the furnace, and be refined. The ministry of the bells was hidden and unseen, and so was some of the finest work that had ever been done in the world. Those who made most noise and brought themselves to the fore, generally failed when they seemed to have succeeded; but those who were in the background, and perhaps not seen, did the finest work. Whether in the belfry or elsewhere, the ministry of the bells was to draw people from temptation. Prayers were offered for the ringers who fell in the war, and the service concluded with the hymn, 'Hark, on high the joyful music.'

The annual meeting followed at the Shire Hall, the Master presiding, supported by Canon Lake, the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, Mr. F. J. Pitstow, Saffron Walden, hon. secretary, and the district officers and auditors. After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read, a member called attention to a decision that peals tapped on hand-bells were not to be recognised by the Essex Association, but he said reports were still appearing in 'The Ringing World' under the heading, 'Essex Association of peals tapped by an Essex Ringer.' The Master replied that the Association had decided that tapped peals were not to be recorded in the peal book, but as Mr. Morris was a member of the Association he had a perfect right to publish them under the heading of the Association if he wished.

The Master then read his report for last year as follows:—

### TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

Gentlemen and Brother Ringers,

With an increased membership and an improvement in our financial position, we can congratulate ourselves upon another successful year's work. A considerable number of names have been removed from our list, on account of death and non-payment of subscriptions.

But in spite of this the total membership stands at 1,021. Thus, our ambition to reach a total of 1,000 for the Forty-second Annual Report is an accomplished fact.

The income from all sources for the year £63 14s. 1d. shows a large increase due to raising the subscription from 1s. to 1s. 6d. per member, but our expenditure has been exceptionally heavy; £44 3s. having been expended for the War Memorial, and the cost of printing Annual Report absorbed an unusual percentage of our income, but I am pleased to state that we have been able to make a very considerable saving in this item for 1921, which will have an appreciable effect in our balance sheet for the present year. The offer of Mr. Thomas Faulkner, to write up the peal book, has also helped us in keeping down expenditure, for which we tender him our sincere thanks. Although we have somewhat depleted our balances, a glance at the figures will show that we may reasonably expect by the end of the present year to be able to replace a very considerable sum, if not all, that we have drawn from the reserve fund.

We have to deplore the loss, by death, of the Rev. J. Bowen and W. Nocton, Esq., honorary members, and Messrs. A. Shuttleworth, T. Cranfield, E. Radley, H. Flanders and W. H. Doran, the two latter were very regular attendants at our meetings. We shall miss their cheery faces and assistance.

Thirty-nine peals have been rung during the year, although less in number than the previous year, the standard of quality is high, as follows: Cambridge Surprise, Maximus 1—the first in the County. Stedman Cinques, 1; T. B. Royal, 1; Stedman Caters, 1; Cambridge Surprise Major, 4; Superlative Major, 1; Double Norwich Major, 1; T. B. Major, 8; Bob Major, 2; Stedman Triples, 4; Grandsire Triples, 2; Surprise Minor, 1; Minor 8 and Doubles, 4.

The fine old ring of eight bells at Finchfield has been rehung, quarter turned and the frame strengthened. They are now in good ringing order. The ring of six at Springfield has been thoroughly overhauled, and the tenor at Braintree has been rehung. The ring of six at All Saints', Maldon, is being recast, and two trebles are to be added to complete the octave.

Ninety-eight towers are now in union with the Association, among our latest recruits are Holy Trinity, Barking Road, a young band practically self-taught. Wivenhoe and Epping Upland have also joined.

The dedication of the war memorial to our fallen members by the Bishop of the Diocese in the Cathedral was a very imposing and impressive service, and was attended by representatives of the Association from all parts of the county. The large congregation included the Mayor and Mayoress of Chelmsford and relatives of the deceased. The Memorial takes the form of a Portland stone tablet with names thereon of the fallen, erected immediately above the doorway of the staircase leading to the ringing chamber, and will stand for all time as a record of those members of our Association who laid down their lives in the Great War. It will be a fitting reminder to future generations of their duty to God, King and country.

The annual gathering at Walthamstow was not so largely attended as usual, due to the unavoidable postponement caused by the miners' strike. The address in church was given by the retiring honorary secretary and treasurer, the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, after thirty years' service. At the meeting which followed his long service to the Association was suitably recognised by the Master, who reminded those present that the Association had risen during Mr. Eyre's period of office from small numbers to the proud position it now occupies, which was very largely due to Mr. Eyre's excellent work. The best wishes were expressed by those present for his happy retirement. The Association will for some years feel the effect of Mr. Eyre's influence and the part he took in the services and business meetings.

We are fortunate in securing the services of Mr. F. J. Pitstow, of Saffron Walden, as successor to Rev. H. T. W. Eyre. Mr. Pitstow is an excellent and well-known ringer, and for years has taken a practical interest in the Association and its work. Another important feature of the meeting was the unanimous decision to revert to our old custom of holding the Annual Meeting at Chelmsford.

District meetings have been held at Galleywood, Bentley by South Weald, Chelmsford, Mistley, Great Bentley, Wivenhoe, Kelvedon, Stebbing, Earls Colne, Feering, Sible Hedingham, Barking, Havering-atte-Bower, Waltham Abbey, Wendens Ambo, Saffron Walden, Hunston and Roydon, and have been generally well attended. A pleasing result of these frequent meetings is that they have stimulated the interest of the clergy in our work, and have been the means of bringing about many necessary rehangers and improvements. It is very gratifying to find that officers of our Association are now generally consulted when repairs and improvements are contemplated, which is proof that the Association is recognised by Church authorities as carrying out the functions for which it was originally founded, to extend the art of change ringing and belfry reform.

While we congratulate ourselves upon the high position we have attained, there is still scope for further extending our work by missionary enterprise to secure towers not yet affiliated, and where change ringing is practically unknown. We must not be content to rest upon our laurels, but go forward to obtain greater results in the future.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.



My report would be incomplete, if it did not include reference to the faithful services rendered by the district officers and auditors, without whom it would be impossible for us to carry on our work with such satisfactory results.—Yours faithfully,

CHARLES HOWARD, Master.

The report was adopted, and a vote of thanks was accorded Mr. T. Faulkner for writing up the peal book.—Upon the proposition of Mr. T. Faulkner, seconded by Mr. Caleb Penn, Mr. C. H. Howard was unanimously re-elected Master of the Association.

Mr. Howard said he appreciated the renewed confidence shown in his re-election for the thirteenth year as Master of the Essex Association. At the same time he should be quite willing to retire in favour of anyone else whom the Association should wish to appoint. Mr. Howard said he had never asked anyone to nominate him as Master, but on the other hand he had asked several members to allow him to nominate them. Among the many public offices he held none gave him more pleasure than that of Master of the Essex Association, and he looked upon his re-election as a vote of confidence (applause). He had seen the Essex Association rise from very small things to the proud position it occupied that day, with over a thousand members (applause). He joined in 1885, and with one exception had since then attended every annual meeting. His interest had been long continued and pretty deep, and whether he continued as Master or became one of the rank and file, he would continue to take the same interest in the Essex Association (applause).

The Master proposed the re-election of Mr. F. J. Pitstow as hon. secretary, and said he came of a very well-known family of ringers, and had always shown interest in the work of the Association.—Mr. W. Pye seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.—Mr. Pitstow suitably replied. Mr. T. Faulkner retired from the office of auditor, and was thanked for his past services. Mr. G. A. Black was re-elected auditor, and Mr. G. W. Faulkner appointed in place of his brother; the peal committee was re-elected. The Rev. A. B. Mills, R.D., Harwich, was elected an hon. member of the Association.—A suggestion was made that the peal book of the Association should be kept at Chelmsford Cathedral, but Canon Lake said there would be certain responsibility, and the question was adjourned.—It was agreed to transfer Brentwood from the South Eastern to the South Western Division, and Epping Upland from the South Western to the North Western Division.—It was decided to invest the funds of the Association in the names of Messrs. T. Faulkner W. J. Nevard and the Master, as trustees.

The Master reminded the meeting that the Association owned a considerable amount of property, consisting of peal books, handbells, etc., which also should be held in safe keeping by the trustees. But as the Association had no proper receptacle for keeping these, the question was referred to the general committee to consider and report to the next annual meeting.

The President, the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford, presided at the luncheon, supported by Canon Lake and officers of the Association.

The Bishop of Chelmsford thanked Canon Lake for all he had done, and welcomed the ringers for their annual festival at Chelmsford. The festival could not be held in a better place, for Chelmsford and district had been second to none in the county. Ringing had begun to show progress after the war, and was now taking its full place in church life throughout Essex. The Bishop said wherever he went in the diocese he was always sure of a welcome peal from the ringers (hear, hear). The joy of bells should be emphasised, for there was nothing so helpful in guiding the spirit and soul in the aspiration for joyful expression of thanksgiving as church bells (applause). When bells were well rung at a certain distance from the hearer, there was nothing more charming in the world. The ringers were doing part of the church's work in helping to bring men and women to God.—Canon Lake suitably replied.—In the afternoon and evening there was ringing by bands at Chelmsford, Writtle, Wiford, Gallywood, Great Waltham, Springfield, Broomfield and Boreham.

### SKILGATE CHURCH BELLS, TAUNTON. DEDICATION SERVICE.

On Whit Tuesday, at the fine old Norman church tower of St. John the Baptist, a very interesting ceremony took place in the midst of a crowded congregation. The service commenced with a Confirmation service, followed by the opening of the restoration of the new treble bell and peal of five bells. The service was fully choral. The Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells, after the dedication, gave an address on the bells. The new treble being given as a war memorial by the parish, the opening peal of the bells were muffled. The peal was rung for 30 minutes, after which the bells were silent for 30 minutes; then the bells were unmuffled, and the peal was continued by the Morebath Guild of ringers most satisfactorily. Following this, ringers from Dulverton, Brushford, Chipstable, Raddington Skilgate, Morebath, and numerous ringers from the West of England, all expressed their highest opinion of the easy 'go' of the bells; also the workmanship, the design of the iron frames, and patent adjustable bearings. Sole invention of the famous bell experts, Messrs. Aggett and Sons, Bell Works, Chagford.

28807-2

### OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.

The annual meeting of the above was held at Shenley on Saturday, June 3rd, when over 100 members attended, representing the following towers: Bletchley, Beachampton, Bradwell, Checheley, Calverton, Emberton, Fenny Stratford, Great Horwood, Great Breckhill, Great Linford, Linslade, Loughton, Maids Moreton, Milton Keynes, North Crawley, Newport Pagnell, Old Wolverton, Stony Stratford, Simpson, and the local ringers. Other visitors included the Master of the Guild (Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, the Guild secretary (Mr. E. T. Hibbert), and Messrs. A. D. Cullum and Essex, of Caterham. The bells were open from 2.30 p.m. for ringing. Service, which was fully choral and well attended both by ringers and parishioners, was held at 3.30 p.m., the address being given by the Rev. L. Moxam, of Newport Pagnell, which was very instructive and interesting. After service, the Rectory grounds were at the disposal of the members, where tea was being provided on the lawn. After tea, the business meeting was held, the Secretary reading the minutes and report of the balance sheet, which showed an appreciable balance in hand, and which was accepted as quite satisfactory. The first unpleasant duty that had to be done was to elect a new chairman in place of the Rev. J. R. Vincent, who had held the position for so many years; also that the yearly venue would have to be removed to pastures new, which all the members would very much regret. After a short discussion, the Rev. L. Moxam, of Newport Pagnell, was elected as chairman, and the meeting-place for the next annual meeting was kindly offered by him to be held at Newport, which was accepted. Mr. W. Sear was again elected as secretary and treasurer.—The Chairman expressed his appreciation of the services rendered to the branch by their secretary, and hoped that he would continue to carry on, and also expressed his thanks to the secretary for attending that meeting, when they all knew so well under what conditions he was attending, i.e., the recent sad bereavement in the loss of his wife.—The Master (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) expressed his satisfaction on the satisfactory progress of the branch, which was in a very healthy condition, and a most pleasant meeting to attend. He also had to say how sorry he was to think that the branch was losing so valuable a friend in the Rev. J. R. Vincent, after so many years connected with the branch. A few detailed remarks as to the general business of the Guild and the Central Council was listened to very attentively, and which was interesting.—Mr. R. T. Hibbert expressed his views on the progress of the branch, which was very encouraging and stimulating to all who cared to take heed.—The Chairman said that before the meeting closed he wished to mention that a few days previous to the meeting he had the pleasure to visit the Bishop of Buckingham, who the members would all know and remember being amongst them last year, and only owing to his very serious illness that kept him away, and it was his wish that the chairman should convey to the meeting a message from him, and that was 'he sent them his love,' and he would propose that this meeting send him a telegram to wish him a speedy recovery, which was done.—The usual vote of thanks was given to all those who had assisted to make arrangements to make the meeting a success, which brought a very pleasant meeting to a close.

The methods rung during the afternoon and evening ranged from Grandsire Doubles to Cambridge Minor. W.S.

### NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION

The Halesworth District held a meeting at Wenham on Saturday, June 10th, about 30 members being present, and 18 towers represented. The bells, a pretty ring of six, were kept going from 2 p.m. until 4.45, when an adjournment was made to the Parish Room for tea, kindly provided by the Rector and churchwardens. A business meeting followed presided over by the Rector (the Rev. W. N. Matthews).—Captain A. E. Reeves gave a report of the Central Council held at Lincoln on the previous Tuesday.

The Rector then said he had received some letters from the Rev. H. Drake, explaining the new Association for Suffolk, and he would like to know what the members thought of it. A long discussion then followed.—The Chairman then said he would take a vote on the subject. This being done, every member in the room voted in favour of remaining as they were. Not one present could see the need of another Association.

### A VISIT TO SMARDEN.

The Sturry band visited Smarden on Saturday, June 3rd, and included H. Smith (Wickham), the brothers Hadlow, C. Holman (Horne), and friend Unwin from Canterbury. The party were met at the tower by J. Shingsby and Phil Hodgkin from Headcorn.

Several touches in standard methods were brought round, and after tea Grandsire Triples were indulged in. The tower bells were then set going to Kent Treble Bob, of which a 720 was rung.—Phil Hodgkin then informed the company that he required one more 720 to complete his 500th. This was scored to Plain Bob Minor. We are told that 'Phil' has the calling and the ringers' names of each one. He was heartily congratulated on his achievement. The ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Rector for the use of the bells.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**HERSHAM, SURREY.**—On Sunday, June 18th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Original: Mrs. A. W. Clark, Miss N. E. Shorter, G. Edser, F. J. Shepherd (conductor), A. Woodrow, A. W. Clark, W. Shepherd, W. Shorter.

**KENSINGTON.**—On Sunday, June 18th, for evening service, at St. Mary Abbots Church, 1,040 changes Treble Bob Royal: H. G. Miles 1, H. Dyas 2, G. W. Frayne 3, P. A. Clark 4, C. W. Roberts 5, A. B. Bennett 6, A. W. Davis 7, A. V. Selby 8, C. W. R. Grimwood 9, W. E. Garrard (conductor) 10.

**TOTTENHAM.**—At All Hallows', Tottenham, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins., by the local band: W. J. Ellis 1, Mrs. J. Thomas 2, J. Thomas 3, H. W. H. Strickland 4, E. A. Hul 5, H. Ellis 6, C. H. Ross (conductor) 7, W. Patmore 8.

**SALTBURN-BY-THE-SEA.**—On May 21st, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,230 changes): G. Kembell 1, J. Appleton 2, G. A. Peck 3, F. Barber 4, G. Duncan 5, J. Wedgewood 6, R. Laughlton (conductor) 7, S. F. Watts 8. First quarter-peal, in the same method: G. Nowell 1, — Leach 2, W. E. White 3, F. Spencer 4, W. White (conductor) 5.

**SHELFORD, NOTTS.**—On Sunday, May 21st, for a special afternoon service, 120 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. B. Thompson 1, — Leach 2, W. E. White 3, G. Nowell 4, W. White 5. Also a quarter-peal (1,260) in the same method: G. Nowell 1, — Leach 2, W. E. White 3, F. Spencer 4, W. White (conductor) 5.

**APPLEDORE, KENT.**—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, on Sunday, May 21st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins., for morning service: B. Baker (Frittenden), first quarter with changing bell 1, C. Tribe (Tenterden) 2, A. Johnson (Appledore) 3, H. Baker (Frittenden) 4, G. Billenness (conductor) (Hawkhurst) 5, E. R. Burgess (Tenterden) 6, L. Honess (Biddenden) 7, H. Want (Tenterden) 8.

**TENTERDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, May 21st, at St. Mildred's Church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: H. Want 1, A. Johnson 2, H. Baker 3, C. Tribe 4, L. Honess 5, E. R. Burgess 6, G. Billenness (conductor) 7, B. Baker 8. Composed by R. Maynard.

**POTNEY.**—For Divine service, on Sunday, May 21st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: H. Rowland 1, T. Bolton 2, C. Choctet 3, W. Worsley 4, J. Herbert 5, C. Moody (first quarter on a working bell) 6, W. T. Elson (conductor) 7, E. Cassell 8.

**STISTED, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, May 21st, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor, in 22 mins.: B. Ardley 1, C. Duncombe 2, W. J. Nevard 3, G. A. Andrews 4, A. Saunders 5, H. F. Cooper (conductor) 6. Arranged for Messrs. Nevard and Andrews.

**GUILDFORD.**—On Sunday, May 21st, for Evensong, at S. Nicolas' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Chivers 1, G. Pelter 2, E. A. Etheridge 3, G. Nichols 4, G. Tomsett 5, E. Raddon 6, S. Radford (conductor) 7, E. Le Feuvre 8. First quarter of Triples by the treble and tenor. On Whit Sunday, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Chivers 1, F. Clarke 2, E. A. Etheridge 3, H. Tomsett 4, G. Tomsett (conductor) 5, W. Melville 6, E. Raddon 7, S. Radford (tenor). Mr. H. Tomsett hails from Lindfield, Sussex.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.**—At St. Andrew's Church, on Whit Sunday, June 4th, for evening service (after meeting short for Caters), a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 50 mins.: T. Myers 1, J. Glynas 2, J. Woodley 3, A. Mitchemore 4, W. Hamblyn 5, W. Richards 6, G. H. Myers (conductor) 7, J. Moss 8.

**UTTOXETER, STAFFS.**—On Whit Sunday, the 4th June, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) in 46 mins.: W. Lunn 1, F. Oliver 2, E. Roberts 3, F. Richards 4, J. Richardson 5, G. Lewis 6, C. Smith (conductor) 7, G. Burrows 8.

**HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On Whit Sunday, before evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. A. Goodenough 1, W. V. Webb 2, J. Butler (conductor) 3, T. East 4, A. H. Webb 5, J. Dearlove 6, J. S. Napper 7, W. Warwick 8.

**HIGHER SUTTON, MACCLESFIELD.**—On Sunday evening, May 28th, a Minor extent, consisting of 720 Plain Bob, was rung on the bells of St. James' Church. The ringers stood as follows: E. Grimshaw 1, W. Mathews 2, T. Taylor 3, H. Davenport 4, J. W. L. Slack 5, J. Manifold 6. All are members of the Chester Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers.

**HILTINGDON.**—At St. John the Baptist's, on May 21st, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: F. Smith (first quarter) 1, N. G. Williams 2, S. Honor 3, P. Jones 4, J. J. Pratt (conductor) 5, E. Hancox 6, W. Honor 7, H. H. Chandler 8.

**CHERTSEY.**—On Sunday, May 21st, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: H. R. Stevens 1, H. J. Chaffey 2, G. Warinton 3, J. B. Hessey (conductor) 4, J. Crocker 5, J. Milner (Harrow) 6, G. Spencer (Isleworth) 7, A. Beckensale (Isleworth) 8.

**GLINTON, Near PETERBOROUGH.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, May 14th, for morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Riggall 1, E. Wright 2, H. M. Day (conductor) 3, H. Holmes 4, J. Landon 5, W. A. Day (the Market Deeping tower band) 6.

**FINCHINGFIELD.**—On Sunday, May 14th, for evensong, at the Parish Church, 640 Kent Treble Bob, and 700 Grandsire Triples: W. J. Sadler 1, W. G. Melbourne 2, G. Wiffen 3, G. Lindridge 4, C. M.

Howard (conductor) 5, W. H. Dyson 6, F. Ely 7, W. H. Hammond 8, H. J. Collins 9.

**KING'S NORTON.**—For evening service, on May 14th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: P. O. Laffin (conductor) 1, H. Williams 2, J. Withers, junr., 3, W. Ball 4, T. W. Wright (first quarter) 5, C. Webb 6, J. Withers 7, J. Botterton 8.—For morning service, at Clent, three courses of Cambridge Surprise Major: W. Short 1, S. Grove 2, J. Withers, junr., 3, W. Cartwright 4, J. Eaton 5, C. Webb 6, P. O. Laffin (conductor) 7, J. Withers 8. Also two courses, with H. Williams 1 and W. Ball 2.

**FRIITENDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, May 14th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: C. Tribe 1, H. Baker 2, R. Lambert 3, R. T. Lambert 4, W. H. Lambert 5, G. Billenness 6, L. Honess 7, B. Baker (first quarter-peal) 8. Composed and conducted by G. Billenness.

**NORTH STONEHAM.**—On Sunday, May 14th, for morning service, at St. Nicolas' Church, 560 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: O. H. Giles 1, J. Walker (Romsey), longest touch in the method, 2, G. Pullinger 3, W. G. Rowe 4, W. G. Edwards 5, C. J. Fray 6, G. Williams 7, W. T. Tucker (conductor) 8.

**CHELSEA.**—At St. Luke's Church, on Sunday, May 14th, for evening service, by the local band, Cambridge Surprise Major (1,120 changes): G. Watkin 1, F. Mitchell 2, A. Newman 3, E. Reeve 4, H. H. Mance 5, W. Essery 6, H. Burton 7, H. Mance (conductor) 8. Longest length in the method by all except ringer of 7.

**BARLEY, HERTS.**—On Sunday, May 7th, for evensong, 720 Kent Treble Bob Major, by R. Howard 1, W. Mansfield 2, W. Tack 3, H. Howard 4, W. Sermons 5, A. Lawrence (conductor) 6. Arranged for A. Lawrence, who hails from Hatfield.

## COLLEGE SINGLE DOUBLES.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. J. Hammond re College Single Doubles, I give a plain lead and a bob lead of some calling as Plain Bob.

12345	51342
21435	15432
24135	15342
42315	51432
43251	54132
34521	
35412	
53142	
51342	
15432	
14532	

Yours faithfully,

41, Gravel Hill, Ludlow.

D. T. MATKIN.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The annual general meeting was held on Saturday, May 13th, in St. Nicholas' Parish Hall, Brighton (by kind permission of the Vicar), the Master (Mr. J. Thornton-Rickman) in the chair, supported by representatives from the following towers: Bolney, Brighton (St. Peter and St. Nicholas'), Croydon (St. Peter), Eastbourne (St. Saviour), Heane, Henfield, Hurstpierpoint, Lindfield, Pulborough, Seaford and Shoreham, together with some independent members. The minutes of the previous meeting were read, passed and signed, and a discussion took place on the revised rules, which were approved with a few alterations. It was decided to adopt the Central Council's scale of points for peals.—The report and balance sheet were presented and passed, both showing good progress during the year, and it was further agreed that in view of the continued need for economy no fares should be paid to members attending divisional meetings during the coming year. Messrs. Oliver Sippetts and W. G. Hart were elected auditors, and Mr. York Bramble peals secretary, the other officers being re-elected.

A substantial tea was served at the Imperial Hotel at 5 p.m., and the service was held in St. Nicholas' Church, a short address being given by the hon. general secretary (the Rev. Cecil H. Clarke).

A vote of thanks to the Vicars of St. Nicholas' and St. Peter's for the use of the bells, and to the Vicar of St. Nicholas' for the use of the Parish Room, was carried by acclamation.—The peals secretary's report indicates that 69 peals were rung on tower bells during 1921, registering 543 points. Salehurst won the Warner challenge bell with 86 points, with Brighton (St. Peter) second (44 points); Eastbourne (St. Saviour) and Lewes (Southover) bracketed third (30 points). The standard of ringing throughout the Association is being well maintained.

## LATE NOTICE.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—Next meeting at Mansfield, July 1st.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec., Chesterfield.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.—St. Clement Danes, June 26th. Wilton Road, June 19th, 7 p.m. Sundays at 10 a.m.—St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Near Slough.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on June 22nd; Southwark Cathedral on the 20th; \*St. Mary le Bow, Cheapside, on the 27th; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 29th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bedwas on Saturday, June 24th (bells 6). Service at 4.30. Business meeting to follow.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**LONDON, ST. CLEMENTS' YOUTHS,** St. Clement Danes, Strand, W.C.—Practice every Wednesday, 6.30 till 8 o'clock. Ringing Tuesday evening, June 20th, from 7 till 8 o'clock; also Sunday morning, June 25th, 10 till 11 o'clock. Business meeting, Wednesday, June 28th, at 8 o'clock.—F. W. H. Sergison, Hon. Secretary.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Framlingham District.—A Practice meeting will be held at Worlingworth (8), Bedford (6), and Earl Soham (6), June 24th. Bells available 3—9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—V. E. Kerridge, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, June 24th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. Subscriptions are due.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary, 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at New Church, near Warrington, on Saturday, 24th June. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting, 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Secretary.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The usual monthly meeting will be held on June 24th at Tong. Peal attempt, 2.30 p.m. Business meeting, 7 p.m.—Charles E. Lawson, Hon. Secretary, 10, Leather Street, Leeds.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Church of Sacred Heart, Talbot Road, Blackpool (8 bells), on Saturday, June 24th. Bells ready, 4 p.m. Meeting, 5.30 Visitors welcomed.—C. Sharples, Secretary, 32, Ormond Avenue, Blackpool.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Notttingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Barton-in-Fabis on Saturday, 24th June. Ringing, 3 to 8 p.m. Tea, 5 o'clock.—T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Secretary, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Stand Church, Whitefield, on Saturday, June 24th. Bells ready, 3.30. Meeting, 7 o'clock. A good attendance is requested.—J. Hall, 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Branch Secretary.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Broughton Astley on Saturday, June 24th. Bells available, 3.30. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Secretary, Hinckley.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—A meeting will be held at Sprotborough on June 24th. Bells ready early. Tea on the Rectory lawn. A good attendance is desired, Sprotborough being an ideal place for a day's outing. Tea only provided for those who notify me before the 20th.—Harold Walker, Hon. Secretary, 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual Summer Festival will be held at Woburn on Saturday, June 24th. The fine peal of bells will be available from 2 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. A hearty welcome will be given to all ringers.—A. E. Sharman, Hon. Secretary, 199, High Street, North Dunstable.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Berkeley on Saturday, June 24th. Bells (10) from 2.30 p.m. Service, 4 p.m. The Vicar (the Rev. H. C. Armour) will unveil a peal board recording a peal of Caters rung by Overseas Ex-Service men in memory of Fallen Ringers of the Diocese. Ringers welcome. Tea on the lawn at a moderate charge to those who notify me by June 20th.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Secretary, Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Branch.—A Combined Practice will be held at Wargrave on Saturday, June 24th, from 6 till 9 p.m.—Jos. White.

**THE NEW RING** of eight bells at Wigston Magna, Leicestershire, will be opened on Saturday, June 24th. Ringing from 6 to 8 p.m. All ringers heartily welcomed.

**SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS** (Estab. 1623).—The 299th anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Tuesday, June 27th. Bells are open all day, commencing at 9 a.m. Short service at 1 o'clock in the church. All ringers are cordially invited.—R. A. Strong, Hon. Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Nunney on July 1st. Divine service at 4. Tea at 5. Intending visitors should notify me by June 27th.—J. T. Dyke, Midsomer Norton.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available at 3 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome.—Wm. Nash, Dist. Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held at A1 Saints', Fulham, on Saturday, July 1st. Tower open from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Stephen's, Canterbury, on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available at 3 o'clock. St. Stephen's (8). St. Alphege (6). St. Dunstan's (6). Christ Church Cathedral (10) at 7 o'clock. Service at 4 o'clock at St. Stephen's; an address will be given by the Rector (Rev. C. Stonehouse). Tea at the "Ye Olde Beverlie" at 4.30, provided by the Association. Will all those who intend to be present at tea kindly notify me not later than June 27th?—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Secretary, 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—The next meeting will be held at Gestingthorpe on July 1st. Bells ready, 3 p.m. Service with address, 4.15. Tea at Schoolroom, 1s. each, to all sending me their names not later than Monday, June 26th.—Bert Redgwell, District Secretary, Rayne, S. & M. Braintree.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Trowbridge on Saturday, July 1st. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service, 4.30. Tea, 5. Business meeting immediately after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next 6-bell Contest and Annual Meeting will be held at Shelley, on Saturday, July 1st. Draw at 2.45. Entries for Contest and Tea Tickets (1s. 6d. each) to be made to Mr. A. Hoyle, Town Gate, Shelley, by June 21st.—W. Frith, Secretary.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A Ringing meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, July 1st. Please notify me on or before June 25th how many intend to be present from your Tower.—E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secretaries.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Beddington, on 1st July. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided for those who advise me not later than the 28th inst. All welcome.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Secretary, 7d, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual General meeting will be held on Saturday, July 1st, at 2 p.m., in St. Maurice Hall, Winchester. Service in Cathedral at 4 p.m., when there will be special music, and the preacher will be the Rev. Canon Braithwaite. Tea at 5 in St. Maurice Hall.—Rev. N. C. Woods, Hon. Sec., Upper House, Symond's Street, Winchester.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Calne Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Wootton Bassett on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting at 5.—S. L. R. Sharp, Bentley House, Calne, Wilts.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—The Annual meeting and election of officers will be held at Isham on July 1st. Bells open at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock. Kindly let me know by Wednesday, June 28th, those requiring tea.—R. F. Turner, District Sec., 7, Gordon Street, Kettering.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 1st, at Moorside. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30. Nominations for Branch president to be in at this meeting.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 1, Church Street, Middleton.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Edwinstowe on Saturday, July 1st. Bells (6) available from 2 to 9 o'clock. Please note, a meat tea (1/6 per head for members, 2/- for others) in the Church Institute at 5 p.m., only for those who notify Miss Mitchell, Mansfield Road, Edwinstowe, Newark, not later than June 28th.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Established 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at Perry Barr on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available from 3.30. Tea in the Church House at 5.30, 1/3 per head.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Saxmundham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Peasenhall on Saturday, July 1st. Bells of the Parish Church (6) and Tibton (5) available from 2.30. All ringers are welcome.—George Wilson, 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at Charing on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short service at 5. Tea at 5.45, provided by the Vicar. Business meeting to follow. All ringers intending to be present and requiring Tea must let me know not later than Tuesday morning, July 4th. Half railway fares up to 2s. will be paid at this meeting.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Dist. Secretary, Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Melbourne on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available at 2 o'clock. At 4 o'clock there will be an opportunity for ringers and their friends to visit the Hall gardens. The committee will meet at 4.30 in the Church House. Tea has been arranged for 5.30 at the Blue Bell Inn, 2/6 per head. General meeting will follow tea. Mr. A. Braines, Hon. Sec. Derby District, 7, Seale Street, Derby, should be advised by July 5th by those who wish to be included in the arrangements for tea.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Hersham, Surrey, on Saturday, 8th July. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30 p.m. Tea in the Church House at 5 p.m.—W. A. Woodrow, Rydens Grove, Hersham (for Hon. Sec., Geo. Miles).

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Eye District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Thornham Magna on Saturday, July 8th. Towers of Wickham (6), Thornham (6), Thorndon (6), Yaxley (6) and Eye (8) will be open for ringing. Tea in Schoolroom at 5.30, provided by the Hon. Lord Henniker, who will preside. Members and others intending to be present please notify District Secretary.—H. Day, Bell Cottage, Eye, Suffolk.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Willesden, on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5, followed by tea (at a small charge) and business meeting. All requiring tea please let me know.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Wells on Saturday, July 8th. Particulars to follow.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.



**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — Rochester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Rainham on Saturday, July 15th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Ringers' service at 5, conducted by Rev. Walton (curate-in-charge), to be followed by tea and business meeting in the Church Hall. Full particulars later.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—A combined practice in Surprise methods only will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, July 22nd. Tower open at 3 p.m. Surprise ringers please note.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.** — Mr. Albert Wright, Ivy Cottage, Pitchcombe, near Stroud, Glos., is the appointed Hon. Peal Secretary. Conductors of peals must send to him full particulars, fees and composition immediately peal has been rung.—Edgar Guise, General Hon. Sec.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. William Pye has removed to 74, Cecil Road, Leytonstone, E.11.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### INVITATION.

J. W., Masters Gerald and Malcolm Moorhouse and Miss Olive L. Lumley would be pleased to meet any ringers who care to call at Rockbourne, 70, Derby Road, Douglas, from the 23rd to the 30th inst. If any handbell ringer has an hour to spare when in Leeds they would be pleased to see him at 10, Mitford Road, Armley, Leeds.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Clerk, ex-service (24), seeks situation. London or Warwick districts preferred (not essential). Experienced book-keeper, storekeeper, typist. Ring Surprise 8 bells. Accept low salary to get with good band. Excellent refs.—Box 4, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

Beautiful set of 21 HANDBELLS for Sale. Price £10. — J. Ward, Latchmere, Worting Road, Basingstoke.

Peal of 12 Handbells in A. Condition as good as new. Just the thing for tower work.—Apply, Mrs. Trinder, Green Lane, Church Street, Upper Walmer.

#### RINGING IN SCOTLAND.

On Saturday, June 17th, six of the Glasgow Cathedral band journeyed to Alloa to ring at St. John's Church. The party were met on arrival by Mr. Ellis, of Edinburgh, an old friend, and the local ringers. 720 of Plain Bob was got through, and then 480 of the same; then about 480 Stedman Doubles and three leads of Kent. There were rung some courses on a fine though dilapidated peal of handbells by Blews, 1871. On the following evening, at Glasgow Cathedral, was rung 720 Stedman Doubles by J. B. Sykes 1. T. O'Hara 2. E. Astley 3. J. Holman 4. A. G. Tucker 5. N. North 6. W. N. Ashby 7. G. Hague 8, the last three taking turns of 240 changes, each as covering bell. The trip to Alloa did good, as the local band had never heard of 'The Ringing World,' so we left them the current copy, and pointed out to them where they could get books on ringing, and the address of the Birmingham firm who would rehang their bells.

J. E. S.

**CHARING, KENT.**—On Sunday evening, June 4th, a 720 of Grand-sire Minor was rung in 25 mins. by J. Edwards 1. S. Hopper 2. W. Good 3. A. Good 4. F. Good 5. H. Good 6. Conducted by H. Good.

**LEE, KENT.**—At St. Margaret's Church, on June 4th, for morning service, 960 Grand-sire Doubles (eight 120's, different callings), 4, 6, 8 behind: H. James 1. W. G. Pinnigar (conductor) 2. J. Dafters 3. G. Payne 4. C. Moulton 5. J. Lawson 6. H. Brasher 7. H. Heisterman 8.



## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells.—Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
**COVENTRY.**

#### PUBLICATION.

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF  
LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton,  
Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to  
XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers  
I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in  
cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair  
Home, Wokingham.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowden Series.

#### REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.  
GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.  
STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.  
STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.  
TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.  
PART II.—At present out of print.  
DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.  
All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s. d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples)	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods)	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob)	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	1 0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

JOHN PRITCHARD,  
Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Silversmith,  
**WOKING**  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast. New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make. Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

in Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 88/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 8/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING  
**WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guildford, and Published by The Bell's House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 589. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, JUNE 30th, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### LESSON OF THE MOTTRAM PEAL.

The announcement that the long peal of Treble Bob at Mottram was false, provides yet another instance of the fact that composers, however eminent, are not infallible, and in this case there is also the source of regret which must be experienced that such a great physical feat of ringing for more than eleven hours should go for naught. No one, we are sure, is more annoyed over the contretemps than Mr. Lindoff himself, and yet the blame is wholly his. Composers are naturally jealous of their productions, and particularly when they have secured a record length. As a rule, there is also a desire in the case of the latter to keep it as private as possible until it has been rung, largely in order that the band who propose to make the attempt shall not be robbed of the 'spoils of victory' by others stealing a march upon them. All the circumstances of a record peal, therefore, tend to keep the composition away from the light of publicity until it has been rung, and the catastrophe of ringing a false peal is all the more irritating when the length is as much as that at Mottram, which, the Appleton peal excepted, would have been the greatest number of changes rung on church bells, as well as being the record length of Treble Bob.

Few ringers, we imagine, have a greater knowledge of Treble Bob composition than Mr. Lindoff, who has spent years in investigating the method, and yet, with all his knowledge, he fell into error. Treble Bob Major is well known to be tricky in its composition, and was looked upon as having been worked out to the extent of the method in the 16,800, which constituted the previous record. The addition of the considerable number of over 1,400 changes is such a big jump that special precautions were necessary to test its accuracy, and we can hardly believe that these were not taken by a man of the experience of Mr. Lindoff. However that may be, the peal was false. Whether, had the composition been true, the performance would ultimately have been admitted, is another question which we believe would have been raised, but as the composition was wrong there is nothing further which need be taken into account. The ground upon which the performance becomes invalid, however, is one which is a matter of regret, because it was an avoidable cause.

There is, of course, an obvious remedy against the repetition of such a failure, namely, to have every record composition checked by a second competent composer before it is rung. Any feeling there may be that such a course would lay the original composer open to have his figures 'pirated' can be at once dismissed, for the honour of the person to whom the figures were submitted would be

(Continued on page 402.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 158, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

more than sufficient to insure no betrayal of confidence. No one can insist upon a composer submitting his figures to another person, but, in the light of the Mottram experience, prudence points to this step being taken; indeed, we imagine no band in future, going for a record length in any method until they are assured that the truth of the composition is vouched for by some competent person in addition to the composer.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(Stockport and Bowden Branch.)

On Thursday, June 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 6040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.	
FRANK STONELEY ... .. Treble	FRED HOLT ... .. 6
BENJAMIN THORP ... .. 2	TOM WILDE ... .. 7
*JOHN P. FIDLER ... .. 3	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT 8
JAMES FERNLEY ... .. 4	ALBERT HOUGH ... .. 9
JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 5	SAMUEL BOOTH ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES WOOD.

Conducted by TOM WILDE.

\* First peal on ten bells. First peal on ten bells as conductor. This was the first quarterly peal for the Branch and was rung to welcome home H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, also as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. Fernley.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Clement Danes, Strand, W.C.,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.	
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. Treble	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. 6
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN. ... 2	ARCHIBALD F. HARRIS ... 7
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ... 8
HENRY R. NEWTON ... .. 4	RICHARD WHITE ... .. 9
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN. ... 5	FRED WHITE ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

WALTHAMSTOW, E.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5104 CHANGES;**

IN THE GRANTA VARIATION.		Tenor 19½ cwt.	
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. Treble	JAMES C. ADAMS ... .. 6		
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 2	*HERBERT E. AUSDLEY ... 7		
GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. 3	FRED C. MAYNARD ... .. 8		
HUGH SCARLETT ... .. 4	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 9		
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 5	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. Tenor		

Composed by HENRY W. HALLEY. Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

\* First peal of Royal. First peal of Royal in the Granta Variation rung on tower bells.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. George,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30 cwt.	
FRANK STONELEY ... .. Treble	EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 6
TOM WILDE ... .. 2	CECIL RADDON ... .. 7
JOHN P. FIDLER ... .. 3	SAM WOOD ... .. 8
HENRY C. COLLYER ... .. 4	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 9
SAM GREENHALGH ... .. 5	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

CHARING, KENT. — On Whit Sunday, for evening service, 720 Grandsire Minor: J. Edwards 1, S. Hopper 2, W. Good 3, A. V. Good 4, C. F. Good 5, H. E. Good (conductor) 6.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

CAVERSHAM, OXON.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Monday, June 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.

FRANCIS E. DAWE ... .. Treble	JEFFERY R. GAMMON ... .. 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	ERNEST BRETT ... .. 6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 3	JAMES BULLOCK ... .. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 4	ARTHUR J. NEALE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS EDWARD DAWE,

MILNROW.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

R. BUCKLEY ... .. Treble	*MISS R. A. BELL ... .. 4
J. FITTON ... .. 2	W. CRABTREE ... .. 5
G. STAFF ... .. 3	*J. LEES ... .. 6
H. DAVENPORT ... .. Tenor	

Composed by W. SHIPWAY. Conducted by G. STAFF.

The above was arranged and rung to celebrate the completion of 50 years' service as ringers at Milnrow by the treble and 2nd. The local band are indebted to Messrs. Crabtree and Davenport, of Todmorden, Miss R. A. Bell, of Cross Stone, and J. Lees, of Balderstone, for their help. \* First peal of Bob Major. First peal on the bells by a lady ringer.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... Treble	OLIVER G. NORMAN ... .. 5
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 2	HERBERT C. SPENCER ... .. 6
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 3	ARTHUR GARDNER ... .. 7
JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... .. 4	THOMAS H. REEVES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. C. SPENCER.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Spencer. First peal in the method as conductor. T. H. Reeves has now rung every bell in this tower to a peal.

HARBORNE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, June 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt in G.

PERCY O. LAFLIN ... .. Treble	JOHN EATON ... .. 5
*C. HOWARD STANLEY ... .. 2	WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... .. 6
CHARLES WEBB ... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
WILLIAM BALL ... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. PIGOTT. Conducted by S. GROVE.

\* First peal of Double Norwich. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Grosvenor, the tower keeper of Harborne.

SUDBURY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GREGORY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

FREDERICK BORRETT ... .. Treble	GEORGE BROWN ... .. 5
EDWARD EVANS ... .. 2	*EDWIN GOATE ... .. 6
ALPHAEUS BERRY ... .. 3	ERNEST POPPY ... .. 7
GEORGE P. BURTON ... .. 4	DAVID ELLIOTT ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. NEWSON.

Conducted by F. BORRETT.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

DARLINGTON, DURHAM.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Eleven Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

HENRY TAYLOR ... .. Treble	THOMAS METCALFE ... .. 5
ALBERT COATES ... .. 2	ALBERT HUNTER ... .. 6
FREDK. W. JOHNSON ... .. 3	WILLIAM BROADLEY ... .. 7
HERBERT BROADLEY ... .. 4	REV. ALBERT SIMPSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by REV. A. SIMPSON.

OXHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

*WILLIAM SEELEY ... .. Treble	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... .. 5
HUBERT EDEN ... .. 2	FREDERICK WHITE ... .. 6
*WALTER AYRE ... .. 3	WILLIAM G. WHITE ... .. 7
ARTHUR W. DIX ... .. 4	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by M. F. R. HIBBERT.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Arranged for Mr. F. White (late of Oxhey), now of Tunbridge Wells, who was on a visit.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Thursday, June 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 24 cwt. in E.

*WILLIAM CHIVERS ... .. Treble	GEORGE TOMSETT ... .. 5
†FREDERICK L. CLARKE ... .. 2	EDWARD RADFORD ... .. 6
EDWARD ETHERIDGE ... .. 3	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 7
†GEORGE PETTER ... .. 4	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. ‡ First peal on an 'inside' bell.

SOUTHAMPTON.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, June 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S No. 1.

Tenor 23 cwt.

JOHN W. FAITHFULL ... .. Treble	REGINALD BROWN ... .. 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 2	HARRY W. REEVES ... .. 6
†CARYLL E. V. WILLIAMS ... .. 3	PERCIVAL W. CAVE ... .. 7
*DONALD H. BROWN ... .. 4	JOHN W. PASSMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by PERCIVAL W. CAVE.

First peal of Stedman by all except the ringers of 2nd and 7th. \* First peal. † First peal on eight bells.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

MALVERN LINK, WORCESTERSHIRE.—At St. Matthias Church, on Sunday, May 21st, for evening service, amongst other touches, a 504 Stedman Triples: R. G. Knowles (conductor) 1, W. Ranford 2, W. Niblett 3, E. E. Barber 4, H. Chance 5, C. Camm 6, H. T. Knowles 7, A. Richings 8. This was rung half-muffled as a token of respect to Mr. W. Jones, a respected tradesman in the district, who had held the offices of churchwarden or sidesman for many years at this church.



**IRETHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.**  
**THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,**

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN J. MAWEY... .. Treble	*HARRY RICHARDSON ... .. 5
*ARTHUR BIGLEY... .. 2	GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 6
*NORMAN THOMAS ... .. 3	ANDERSON T. TYLER... .. 7
*C. HARRY CHAMBERS ... .. 4	JAMES T. WARD... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ANDERSON T. TYLER.

\* First peal. Rung to celebrate the Prince of Wales' birthday.

**CHESTER.**

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALLS,**

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6016 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING ... .. Treble	RICHARD T. HOLDING... .. 5
JOHN HAYES... .. 2	JOHN W. DAVIES... .. 6
HARRY OVERTON... .. 3	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. 7
GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 4	JAMES H. RIDING... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES PRICE. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING  
 Longest length by all except treble.

**EPSOM, SURREY.**

**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,*  
**AT CHRIST CHURCH,**

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Treble	ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 5
JOHN BEAMS... .. 2	*WALTER CLAYDON ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 4	DAVID ANSCOMBE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

\* First peal in the method.

**LONDON.**

**THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS**

*On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON, STEPNEY, E.,**

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 31 cwt.

WILLIAM A. ALPS ... .. Treble	GEORGE R. FARDON ... .. 5
ROBERT A. FARDON ... .. 2	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 6
CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... .. 3	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 7
WILSON RUSHTON ... .. 4	RICHARD F. FORWARD... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS LANGDON.

This peal was specially arranged for Mr. E. Morris, of Leicester, who was visiting Twickenham on a honeymoon trip. The band wish him future happiness and prosperity.

**ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.**

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, June 24, 1922 in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,**

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

F. G. GODDARD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. HEWETT... .. 5
FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 2	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... .. 6
MRS. F. I. HAIRS... .. 3	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 7
WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 4	GEORGE SPENCER... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. HEWETT.

William Henley's rooth peal. First peal of Triples as conductor.  
 Rung to celebrate the birthday of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

→ GREAT REDUCTIONS, ←

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**

**PULHAM ST. MARY, NORFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,**

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

FRANK H. DAVEY ... .. Treble	FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... .. 5
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 2	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 6
CHARLES P. T. BRICE ... .. 3	*GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 7
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal in the method. For composition see 'Bell News,' 5th August, 1911.

**BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-THE-MARTYR,**

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ALBERT RAINBIRD ... .. Treble	ERNEST J. BOTLER ... .. 5
GEORGE R. PYE... .. 2	*WILLIAM LEGGETT ... .. 6
*EDWIN D. BAKER ... .. 3	WESLEY WATSON ... .. 6
ALFRED PYE ... .. 4	†ERNEST FIRBANK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED PYE.

\* First peal in the method 'inside.' \* First peal on eight bells.  
 Arranged and rung to celebrate the safe return of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

**OADBY, LEICESTER.**

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, June 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,*  
**AT THE PARISH CHURCH,**

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

10 different callings.

ALBERT BLACKWELL ... .. Treble	THOMAS BRITTONY ... .. 4
HENRY CHAMBERLAIN... .. 2	WILLIAM H. CLARKE ... .. 5
WILLIAM LANE ... .. 3	ROWLAND DOWELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. H. CLARKE.

**WELTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's.

Tenor 11 cwt.

SIMON CADE ... .. Treble	W. RUSSELL RANSHAW ... .. 4
*WILLIAM S. HILL ... .. 2	ARTHUR BALDWIN ... .. 5
CHARLES V. CADE ... .. 3	G. WILLIAM CREASEY... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAM CREASEY.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor.

**RINGSTEAD, NORTHANTS.**

**THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Coart, Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb.

ARTHUR B. BELLAMY... .. Treble	LEONARD J. WYMAN ... .. 4
DANIEL REDHEAD ... .. 2	JAMES M. NICKERSON... .. 5
WILLIAM J. GILBERT ... .. 3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

This peal was arranged and rung as birthday compliments to the ringers of the treble, 3rd and tenor; also to Mr. Arthur Underwood, of Finedon, a personal friend of the band, who came over with Mr. J. R. Main to listen to the peal, and at the conclusion kindly entertained the ringers. This is the quickest peal rung on the bells.

**BARNES.**—At the Church of St. Mary's, on Sunday, June 11th, for evening service, 756 of Stedman Triples: M. Jacobs 1, H. Barrott 2, H. Stevens 3, R. Mackrill 4, H. Cook 5, C. Hunt 6, F. Skerington (conductor) 7, J. Willmott 8.

**MORETON-VALANCE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE,  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

*On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Stephen,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE & ST. DUNSTAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

*THOMAS BAILEY...	... Treble	†GEORGE ORCHARD ...	... 4
FRANK COLE ...	... 2	*THOMAS PRICE ...	... 5
ALBERT WRIGHT ...	... 3	*EDWARD FREEDY ...	... Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

\* First peal. † First peal of Doubles.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

**TEDDINGTON, MIDDLESEX.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sunday, June 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At 16, COLESHILL ROAD,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANCES;**

Tenor size 18 in G.

WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN	1—2	ALFRED H. POLLING ...	... 5—6
MRS. F. I. HAIRS	... 3—4	FRANK I. HAIRS ...	... 7—8
CLARENCE H. DOBBIE	... 9—10		

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Witnesses: MRS. DOBBIE and MRS. POLLING.

This was the conductor's 100th peal of Stedman Caters 'in hand.'

**GUILDFORD, SURREY.**

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Tuesday, June 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Royal Grammar School,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANCES;**

Tenor size 21 in D.

CHARLES HAZELDEN	... 1—2	WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN	5—6
ALFRED H. POLLING	... 3—4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD	... 7—8
GEORGE W. STEERE	... 9—10		

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Witnesses: MRS. HAZELDEN and MRS. POLLING.

**LONDON.**

**THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**

*On Friday, June 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
At 31, RIFFEL ROAD, CRICKLEWOOD, N.W.,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

GEORGE M. KILBY	... 1—2	WILLIAM E. JUDD	... 5—6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY	... 3—4	CBCIL V. EBBERSON	... 7—8

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

Umpire: HARRY KILBY.

**BIRMINGHAM.**

**THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM**

*On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
In St. Martin's Belfry,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN SEXTUPLES, 5055 CHANCES;**

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAN	... 1—2	GEORGE F. SWANN	... 7—8
ALBERT WALKER	... 3—4	JAMES E. GROVES	... 9—10
PERCY O. LAFLIN	... 5—6	ALBERT E. NORMAN	... 11—12
MORRIS J. MORRIS	... 13—14		

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

Referee: VICE-PRESIDENT WILLIAM KENT.

This was the first peal ever rung on 14 bells and was rung at the first attempt. Further reference and the composition will appear later.

(Continued from next column.)

fine peal being left with regret. Many thanks are due to the Rev. H. Topham, Rector of Middleham, and Mr. — Topham, of Middleham Hall, for welcoming the visitors. The handbell ringing on the lawn stirred our host to produce a fine peal of handbells, which were carefully stored away. Tuesday afternoon saw the various members leaving for their destinations, the kindly labours of Mr. T. Maude in arranging the outing being much appreciated, while the untiring efforts of Mr. H. Parrish, on behalf of the party for their entertainment, made the outing one of the most pleasant yet undertaken.

P. J. J.

**RINGERS' OUTINGS.  
WORKSOP PRIORY COMPANY.**

The annual outing by motor charabanc, on Whit Monday, was arranged by the leader of the Priory ringers, and the company visited Stow, Willingham and East Markham. A halt was made for lunch in a picturesque little spot by the roadside. The journey was continued to Stow, where the Rector and his wife and children were in readiness to greet our arrival. Several touches and one 720 of Kent Treble Bob was tapped off, our lady ringers handling their ropes and ringing in good style. The famous Lincoln Minster could be seen from the top of the tower. The next stop was Willingham, where the party were met by the Rector and steepkeeper. Here they found one of Taylor's new rings of six, tuned on the Canon Simpson principle. As the bells had not been rung for some considerable time, owing to scarcity of ringers, the oil can had to be applied, especially to the tenor. Some good ringing in touches of Plain Bob, Grandsire Doubles, Kent and Oxford were accomplished, the ladies again acquitting themselves admirably. An interesting chat on bells, ringers and church matters generally, with the Rector, steepkeeper and friends, occupied the party until the time of departure for East Markham. Some good ringing was executed at East Markham, and a fine rise and fall in peal brought the ringing to a finish. The day was beautifully fine. The company consisted of the Priory ringers, wives and sweethearts, Mr. J. H. Brothwell of Treeton; Mr. C. Crawford of Laneham; and arrived home at 9.15. The company's thanks are due to Mr. A. Howe, the incumbents and steepkeepers of each parish for making the outing an enjoyable success.

H.

**AN IDLE TRIP.**

On Whit Tuesday, the local company of Holy Trinity (Idle Parish Church) had a charabanc outing up the Aire Valley. Leaving Town Gate at 9 a.m., a good run was made to Giggleswick, where the bells were placed at our disposal (a ring of six), and soon set up in peal, and rung in the following methods: Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Minor. Lunch was partaken of at Settle. After lunch the tower was visited, where a nice-toned peal of eight in readiness were soon going in to changes of Plain Bob Major, Double Norwich and Grandsire Triples; but owing to the state of the bells, the 7th especially, coupled with the heat, for the day was gloriously warm, nothing successful was accomplished. Gargrave was reached at 4.45, the party being met by Mr. John McKell, who extended a hearty welcome on this their first visit. The tower was visited, and a short touch of Double Norwich rung. Three of the local men also joined in short touches of Double Norwich and Grandsire Triples. On arrival at Skipton, a fine peal of 8 (both for tone and 'go') were sent up in peal, and rung to the old song, Kent Treble Bob. The party take this opportunity of offering their best thanks to the respective incumbents for the use of the bells; also to the local companies for having everything in readiness.

S. H. E.

**WEEK-END IN YORKSHIRE DALES.**

On Saturday, June 4th, a party, consisting of Messrs. T. Maude, G. B. Bolland, F. W. Dixon, T. B. Kendall, H. Oddy, Mr. and Mrs. F. Salmons, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ambler, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Fearnley, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cotterell, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Johnson, and Mr. W. Pearson, visited the Yorkshire Dales. On the outward journey a call was made at Northallerton, where a peal of eight were found, but the 'go' of the bells was far inferior to the tone. After lunch a start was made for Bedale to try the peal of eight (tenor 24 cwt.), but on arrival, the tower presented a woeful state of neglect, and appeared out of keeping with the rest of this splendid building. This Church of All Saints is a fine example of a fortified church tower. The bells are a mixed peal, the tenor dating from 1631, the sixth and seventh 1625, the founders being unknown, while the two trebles are of a much later date, and were presumably cast by Messrs. Warner. The hospitality of one of the local ringers was accepted, with many thanks, a few touches on handbells leaving our temporary host well satisfied. Middleham-in-Urodale, the week-end headquarters, was reached in the evening, and after tea the fine peal of eight in the Parish Church, cast by Taylor, 1904 (tenor 18 cwt.), was rung, the splendid tone and 'go' of the bells being much admired. On behalf of the Rev. H. Topham, Rector of Middleham, Mr. H. Parrish extended a hearty welcome to the party. Sunday found the bells at Middleham rousing the inhabitants at 6 a.m., and touches in various methods were also rung for the mid-day service. On Sunday afternoon Grinton was visited, but here a rope had to be spliced and fixed before the handy peal of six could be rung. To our regret, the 'go' of the bells at Richmond was very bad, and very little ringing satisfied the visitors. After tea, the return journey by motor to Middleham occupied the rest of the evening. Catterick and Darlington were visited on Monday, the beautifully-kept ringing chamber and light peal of eight, at the former place being much appreciated. At Darlington the party were accorded a hearty and courteous welcome by the meeting of the Durham and Newcastle Association, and the various churches and bells were tried in varying methods. Tuesday once again found Middleham bells ringing a farewell touch, this

(Continued in preceding column.)

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. TONBRIDGE DISTRICT.

A quarterly meeting of the above was held at Chiddingstone on Saturday, May 27th, and although the attendance of members was not so numerous as usual, a most enjoyable and instructive afternoon and evening was spent. Ringing commenced about 3 o'clock. At 5 o'clock the usual service was held, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. R. C. Salmon), and Mrs. Salmon presided at the organ.

The Rector presided at the business meeting, supported by the Rev. C. Sampson (curate) and Mr. G. Hale, one of the churchwardens.

The Rector warmly welcomed the members, and said he was glad to see so many young members present, as it gave great promise for the future.

The minutes of the annual district meeting were read and confirmed.—The District Secretary made a feeling reference to the loss the district had sustained in the death of Mr. G. H. Stonestreet, of Tonbridge, and said that he had written to Mrs. Stonestreet, expressing the sympathy of the members. This was approved of by the silent vote of the members standing.

Eight new practising members were elected, and one election confirmed. The Rector of Sevenoaks was elected an hon. member.—Mr. F. White suggested that someone should be appointed to act as Ringing Master at the meetings. He said it was quite possible that young members at the meetings were desirous of practising a certain method which they had looked up, but were nervous of pushing forward, and, therefore, did not get an opportunity. He thought that if there was someone to whom they knew they could apply, it would give them a better opportunity of practising these methods. After some discussion, the District Secretary suggested that the district representatives on the Central Committee for the time being should act in that capacity.—This was seconded and carried.

Votes of thanks to the Rector and Mrs. Salmon for the use of the bells, for arranging and conducting the service, and for presiding at the organ, and to the Rev. Sampson and Mr. George Hale for their attendance, and to Mr. A. Longley for making arrangements, were passed, to which Mr. G. Hale replied, concluded the meeting, and the members adjourned to the tower for further ringing.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. SOUTHERN DIVISION.

A meeting was held at Tickhill, on Saturday, June 17th. The towers represented being All Saints', St. Mary's, and the Cathedral Sheffield, Rammoor, Ecclesfield, Wortley, Doncaster, Arksey, Rawmarsh, Rotherham, Handsworth, Bolsterstone, and Norton.

At 5 o'clock, a short service was held in the Church, at which the Vicar (the Rev. H. E. Booty) officiated, and gave a very interesting address. The business meeting was held immediately after tea, the Vicar kindly taking the chair, supported by Mr. Willey, vice-president.—The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed, and Messrs. W. H. Dale, H. Wagstaffe, J. Channings, H. Barnes, of Tickhill, and A. Mitchell and G. Tuke, of Rawmarsh, were elected as members of the Association. In view of the annual Commemoration Dinner to the past officers of the Yorkshire Association taking place in Leeds, in September, it was decided, after some discussion, to abandon the September meeting of the Southern District, and to hold the December meeting at Rotherham, if the necessary permission can be obtained.—Mr. Willey urged all who possibly could to attend the annual dinner.—Votes of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and his address, and to the local company for the excellent tea provided, were carried.—The Vicar, in replying, said how very pleased he was at seeing so many present, and the Association need never be without a place to hold a meeting. 'You will always be sure of a welcome at Tickhill, and come as often as you like,' concluded the reverend gentleman, a remark greeted with loud applause.

After tea, visitors were privileged to inspect the old ruins of the Castle and the beautiful grounds belonging to it, these being at their best, with the roses a special attraction. Handbell ringing was indulged in in various parts of the grounds. Grandsire Caters and Bob Major were rung, and as a special item a plain course of Keg and Kegmeg. This is a Sheffield speciality, and permission to ring it can be obtained from any of the Cathedral company. Methods rung during the afternoon and evening included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Treble Bob and Bob Major and Double Norwich.

## EASTERN DISTRICT

A quarterly meeting was held at Sherburn-in-Elmet, on Saturday May 27th, by kind consent of the Vicar, the Rev. P. Bone, M.A., and the bells were kept going to various methods from 1 to 9 p.m.

A bountiful tea was kindly provided by the ladies of the parish, to which some 30 members sat down, representative of towers at Beverley, Hemmingbrough, Hull, Pontefract, Selby and York.

A short business meeting followed, presided over by Mr. W. Pearson (Pontefract), in the absence of the vice-president.

Mr. G. Bryce, of Selby, was elected a member of the Association. An invitation from the Vicar of Hatfield (the Rev. F. Meridith Brooks) for the next meeting was unanimously accepted.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Rev. P. Bone (who was unavoidably absent) for the use of the bells, to the ladies who kindly waited at tea, and to the local company of ringers for their excellent arrangements.

## HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. ANNUAL FESTIVAL.

Whit Monday, on which the Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bell Ringers held their annual festival, called together the greatest number of ringers yet assembled in this county. It is computed that at least 100 attended the preliminary service in the Ladye Chapel of the Cathedral, and that, approximately, 150 sat down to dinner at the Spread Eagle Hotel. These were representative of some 25 towers. The Master of the Guild, Mr. J. G. Buchanan (Clyde House, Hereford), was unfortunately absent, a circumstance greatly regretted. The clergy present at some part of the day, or throughout the whole, were the hon. secretary and treasurer, the Rev. G. W. Turner (Madley), the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson (Vicar of Hopcote, Salop), a great authority on handbell ringing; the Rev. R. A. Lyne (Upton Bishop), the Rev. Preb. Warner (Lugwardine), the Rev. H. E. Wall (Diocesan Missioner), and the Rev. T. O. Charteris, Burghill.

The towers where peals were either rung during the day or at the disposal of the ringers, were: St. Nicholas, 10—12; Cathedral, 11—12, 6.30—8.30; All Saints, 3.30—6 (Hereford); Holme Lacy, Burghill, Lyde, Allensmore, Lugwardine.

At the Ladye Chapel service the singing of the bell ringers, as became members of their profession, was markedly harmonious. The Rev. H. E. Wall played the dual part of organist and preacher.

The Rev. G. W. Turner presided at the dinner, when a brief toast list was disposed of. Following 'The King.'

Mr. P. Lane proposed the Bishop and Clergy. They were blessed, he said, with good clergy in the diocese. In his own district they had in Mr. Richardson a most able exponent of the art of handbell ringing. He wished that the clergy could give them more help in practical ringing (applause).

Prebendary Warner regretted the Bishop's absence, that his lordship might reply to the toast himself. They all admired the Bishop. The clergy as a whole, greatly appreciated the work done by the bell ringers.

Mr. C. Edwards proposed 'The Preacher.' His sermon had been excellent. In reminding them of the high claims of the bell ringers' calling, he had given them his views straight from the shoulder. They tried to respond, and were making headway in the art every day (applause).

Mr. Wall said the Guild was held in the highest possible estimation throughout the diocese. That he knew from direct contact with some 300 parishes. It was a joy to him to take part in their festival. Physically he was not strong enough to take an active part in bell ringing, but he had studied the subject, which was to him one of deep interest (applause).

Other toasts were 'The Guild' proposed briefly by Mr. Duncan (Much Marcle), and responded to by the Chairman. The Guild, he said, was growing and growing healthily. One defect was the fact that the public did not seem to be aware of the great claim which the bell ringers had on them. They wanted more honorary members. He hoped they would have more next year.

The 'Ringing Master' was proposed by Mr. Hyett, and responded to by Mr. Edwards.

A very delightful course of Grandsire Caters was given on the handbells, by: Mr. A. Talbot, 1 and 2; Mr. P. Lane, 3 and 4; Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, 5 and 6; Mr. Chas. Edwards, 7 and 8; and Mr. W. H. Williams, 9 and 10.

Mr. Hyett, for twenty years a member of the Guild, in a few words expressive of his deep personal regard for Mr. Edwards as Ringing Master, and in acknowledgement of his valuable services as Master and trainer, asked the chairman to present to Mr. Edwards on behalf of the Guild, a golden bell badge, with bar duly inscribed. This had been contributed to by the members of the Guild.

The Chairman said it was the first he had heard of it. The ringers could evidently keep a secret. He added his appreciation to that of Mr. Hyett, and on behalf of the Guild, asked Mr. Edwards to accept the badge with a small cash balance for Mrs. Edwards (applause).

Mr. Edwards said he could not find words to express his thanks. His work had been a labour of love. He was deeply gratified for the gift, and thanked them also for their gift to his wife (applause).

The re-election of officers for the coming year then took place. The Bishop was again elected president, and the vice-presidents en bloc. Mr. Buchanan was with enthusiasm re-elected Master of the Guild; Mr. Turner, hon. secretary and treasurer; Mr. C. Edwards, Ringing Master and district secretary. The committee was also re-appointed, with the addition of Mr. J. Preece (Staunton-on-Arrow) and Mr. H. J. Taylor (Hereford). The accounts were presented and passed.

Mr. Clark and Mr. C. Edwards were re-elected representatives on the Central Council.

Mr. Edwards made a very feeling speech concerning the absence of a suitable roll of honour of fallen bell ringers for erection in All Saints' Church. The memorial bell, with the list in the ringing chamber, recorded the names of the 60 odd men who had paid the great sacrifice, but in the church below there had not yet been placed a permanent Roll of Honour. It must be done, and was simply a question of ways and means.

A discussion followed as to the most suitable form — brass, emblazoned parchment, or oak tablet similar to that for the All Saints' parish fallen. The matter was left in the hands of a small commit-

tee to decide and report; the cost to be defrayed by a levy on the Guild. With over 600 members the money ought to be easily obtained.

It was decided that for next year Hereford should again be chosen for the festival. With its many churches in the city and district, and its accessibility to the county, it was felt to be the best venue.

Methods rung during the day were Grandsire Triples and Caters, Stedman, Treble Bob, Cambridge Major, and various Minor methods.

#### CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting was held at Northallerton on Whit Monday, members attending from Middlesbrough, Stockton, Darlington (St. John's); Ripon, Sharow, Wath, Thirsk, Northallerton, W. Hartlepool, St. Oswalds, Shildon. A committee meeting was held at 11 a.m., a good deal of business being got through. Divine service was held at 12 a.m. in the Parish Church, which was well attended by the ringers and friends, being greatly assisted by several of the choir. The Rev. — Hill officiated at the organ, and the service was conducted by the Rev. M. Thompson, Vicar of Northallerton, which was greatly appreciated. Dinner was presided over by the Rev. A. Simpson, in the absence of the President (the Rev. J. L. Kyle), who was away from home, and was supported by the Vicar of Northallerton the Rev. — Hill, senior curate; Vice-Presidents W. Pick, Sharow; J. Stolt, Thirsk; J. W. Passman, Middlesbrough; and the secretary.—The Rev. A. Simpson, in proposing a vote of thanks to the Vicar of Northallerton for conducting the service and address, including the Rev. Hill and choir, also for the use of the bells.

The Vicar, replying, welcomed the association to Northallerton, saying how pleased he was to be able to do anything towards forwarding and assisting the work.—The secretary's report showed that there was considerable improvement in the ringing throughout the association during the year. The balance sheet showed a balance in hand of £32 2s. 6d. The next item was the election of president for the year. The Rev. J. L. Kyle, who has been president since 1915, has on previous occasions said that he thought it would be better for the working of the association if a ringing president could be found. Not that he wanted to be out of the job; he was only too pleased to be amongst ringers and do whatever he could to further the work of the association. After some discussion the name of the Rev. A. Simpson was proposed, seconded, and carried unanimously, to be president.—A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. J. L. Kyle, the late president, for presiding over the association for the last seven years, and that a letter be sent to him in the terms mentioned, and to inform him that he had been made a vice-president. The vice-presidents and secretary were re-elected. The meetings arranged by the committee for the year are: September meeting, Darlington (St.

John's); Easter Monday, 1923, Catterick Bridge; annual meeting, 1923, Thirsk.

Several items of interest were gone into, which were of great importance to the association, including that a report of the work be printed, bringing the work up to date.—A hearty vote of thanks was proposed to the Rev. A. Simpson for so ably presiding over the meeting. The ringers then returned to the tower, and kept the bells going to Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Kent Treble Bob Major.

#### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Gloucester Branch was held at Coln St. Aldwyn's, on Thursday, June 15th, and was fairly well attended, members being present from Cirencester, Fairford, South Cerney, Down Ampney and Coln St. Aldwyn's. The bells, a light peal of eight (tenor 8½ cwt.), were raised about 4 o'clock, and kept going till 5.30. The business meeting followed, and the chairman of the branch (Mr. H. C. Bond) presided. Two new members were proposed. Tetbury was chosen for the next quarterly meeting, practice meetings to be held at Chelworth and Rendcombe.—A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells concluded the business part of the meeting. The tower was again visited, some of the members obtaining a good practice on eight bells. During the afternoon and evening touches of Canterbury and Bob Doubles, Bob Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were successfully brought round.

A quarterly meeting of the Gloucester Branch was held at Hasfield on Saturday, June 24th, when 19 members turned up from the following towers: Gloucester, Barnwood, Maisemore, Sandhurst, Great Witcombe and Hasfield. Ringing commenced at 3.30, and at 4 o'clock a service was held in the church, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. C. E. Dodd), who, in the course of a very fine address, extended to the visitors a most cordial welcome.

Following the service, the company were invited to the Rectory for tea. The business meeting immediately followed tea, at which the utmost harmony and goodwill prevailed.

The Rector having been voted to the chair, the Hon. Secretary (Capt. A. A. Bennett, C.A.) read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were duly confirmed, and arising out of which he reported that although the Longney ringers would not join the association, he had succeeded in obtaining permission for a meeting to be held there on July 22nd, and he hoped that the result would be that the Longney men being impressed by the spirit of the fraternity would reconsider their decision. Other less important business followed, and concluded with a very hearty vote of thanks to the Rector and his family for their generous welcome and hospitality.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

(Continued from Page 377.)

### PEAL ANALYSIS COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter, in moving the adoption of the Peal Analysis Committee's Report, referred to the great loss which the committee especially had sustained by the death of Mr. A. T. King. They felt they had sustained an appreciable loss. Proceeding, he said, the Council would notice that in the first part of the report certain things were missing, which they had been accustomed to include in former years. Mr. King spent a very great deal of time and labour in getting out particulars, for instance, of the Grandsire Triples peals that were wrong, that he had not done for the past year when he was called away, and the committee did not think they could undertake the work at the time, and indeed they felt it was rather a work of supererogation. He did not know whether the Council would like to have these particulars in future, and he would also like to know whether the committee considered it was necessary to continue the long table of the number of peals wrong year by year, since 1881. The committee thought if they gave the figures for the past two or three years it would be sufficient.

Another alteration which they had made in the arrangements of the Analysis was to divide the tower bell peals from the handbell peals. It has facilitated the binding up of the paper, and it also showed more clearly what had been done in the way of handbell ringing.

### POINTS FOR PEALS.

The Rev. H. Law James suggested that the Council should relieve the committee of the great waste of time of calculating the points for peals. They were no good, and only gave the committee a lot of work.

Mr. T. H. Beams said to drop the points would be to eliminate the only thing by which they were able to compare the standard of ringing in different parts of the country. The report upon the analysis was then adopted.

### UNNAMED MINOR METHODS.

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter then referred to the question of the naming of unnamed Minor Methods. He said the Council would remember that last year the librarian was asked to receive names up to a period of six months from the last meeting, but he appeared to have gone on receiving them for some time after that. The committee found that there would be so much difficulty in going back over the names that they thought the simplest way out of it was to take the librarian's list and give names to those unnamed methods that were left. They had also looked into the names given to the methods by members of the Methods Committee when the collection was published, and they could not agree with them. In several instances they had called attention to the name given to No. 9 of Plain Method, called by the committee 'Stedman Slow Course,' but that name many years before was given to quite another method. Then, too, some of the methods had two or three, and one had at least four different names, and they felt it would be a most excellent thing to have some committee, either their own or some other committee appointed for the special purpose of going into the whole question, and see if they could not decide what were the original names that should appear in the Collection. If they had the permission of the Council to go into the matter, they would like to add to their committee the name of Mr. J. W. Parker, who, he was glad to say, was ready to serve, and they would be only too pleased to have him on it (applause).

The Rev. H. Law James (chairman of the Methods Committee) said the name of Stedman Slow Course to No. 9 was obviously wrong, and both names were circulated among the members of the committee before being printed. This mistake was never found out. He had no objection to the Analysis Committee taking over the naming of methods.

Mr. G. P. Burton said in view of the extraordinary names which had been given to new methods in the past, he hoped that only the committee would be allowed to name them in the future.

The Librarian (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) apologised to the Council for having overstepped his instructions with regard to receiving names for methods, and stated that he absolutely overlooked the fact that the Peals Analysis Committee were to be the authority after the end of six months from the last meeting. He had received a large number of claims which the committee are to go through and settle once for all, and he thought the best means of doing so would be to meet round the table, and not to conduct it by correspondence (hear, hear).

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter pointed out that there was one practical difficulty to their meeting round a table. One member resided near Southampton, another at Sunderland, a third in the extreme east of the country, and another in the west.

The Chairman: We have some excellent round tables in Birmingham.

The Rev. A. T. Beeston called attention to the fact that the committee suggested that a central authority should be established, to which inventors of methods should send the names they proposed.

to give to such methods, and that that central authority should decide whether the suggested name should be the name to be given to it, as they would then be able to see that the name was not borne by any other method. The confusion existing in the nomenclature of Minor Methods was likely to extend to the Major; in fact, a beginning had taken place, as they saw when a claim to the name of 'Lancashire Surprise Major' was made for a peal rung in Lancashire. When, however, it was pointed out that a method published in 1907 already bore the name of Lancashire Surprise, the band readily consented to change it to Northampton. He mentioned that fact to show that the tendency to confusion was likely to extend to Major Methods, and he hoped the Methods Committee would undertake the naming of the methods which they were now authorised to publish.

The portion of the report relating to the naming of methods was then put to the meeting, and carried, and Mr. J. W. Parker was added to the committee.

#### THE TOWERS AND BELFRIES COMMITTEE.

The Towers and Belfries Committee's Report, which has already appeared in 'The Ringing World,' was presented by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, whose co-option on the committee was confirmed by the Council. Mr. Jenkyn said the conferences between the Council and the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings were well attended, and were extraordinarily interesting. It was no detriment to anyone else who was present to say that the man who absolutely gathered everybody round him, and brought light out of darkness, was Mr. Lewis. He came with his figures and his personality, and tackled every objection in his quiet and convincing way. He placed his figures on the table and invited the other society to produce someone to test them. They found someone who was a great mathematician and engineer, who went through Mr. Lewis's figures and found they were absolutely correct. Their opinion of Mr. Lewis went extraordinarily high, and there had never been such good feeling between the society and that Council as existed at the present. He did not think the society ever had before such ideas of what might be done in hanging bells in ancient towers as they had at present (applause).

The Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. E. Young, said he attended every one of the meetings, and could fully bear out everything Mr. Jenkyn had said, while Major Hesse had written that the committee had thoroughly justified itself in the very fine work it had done this year.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies said he had had a letter from Mr. Lewis, which contained one important sentence. Mr. Lewis wrote:—'The main object for which the committee was set up is to my mind accomplished—the main object being, of course, to try and get a settlement to which both sides could agree—but I imagine it would be useful to continue the committee for the alternative purpose, and particularly with reference to the new diocesan bodies, which will be universal in the near future.' He thought Mr. Lewis was very wise in advising that the Towers and Belfries Committee should be conducted so that they might watch those new diocesan bodies, and consult with them when they were asked for their advice, or when they thought it would be good to give it.

The adoption of the report was proposed by Canon Elsee, seconded by the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore.

The Hon. Secretary stated that copies of the statement arrived at the conference were on the table for perusal, but they were not yet for publication, as they had not yet been approved by either party.

The Rev. H. Drake pointed out that the Council's pamphlet on 'More of Church Bells' was out of print, and asked whether it would not be advisable to get this committee to bring out a new edition, bearing in mind the new information that was presented in the report of the conference.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn said it was understood that a revision of the pamphlet was necessary, and it might be a good thing for the committee to take it in hand.—The report was adopted, and the Chairman congratulated the committee upon the very useful work it had done.

#### THE WORK OF THE RECORDS COMMITTEE.

The Rev. A. T. Beeston presented the report of the Records Committee, whose terms of reference were 'that the Central Council compile and keep up to date an official list of the first peal, and the longest length in each method, and on each number of bells.' In the last report, the committee recommended the publication of the schedule of first performances and greatest lengths, in order that the details given might be examined, and the inaccuracies pointed out but after considering the cost, the committee felt unable to proceed without the Council's knowledge of the amount and definite instructions to do so, especially in view of the prior and heavy call upon the funds of the Council for the publication of other matters. In this connection they were, therefore, marking time until they learned the Council's will, meanwhile they had gone on with the necessary research work they had done.

They had been or were now in communication with the secretaries of all the Affiliated Associations, and the result was embodied in a revised schedule. They had thought well to include in it the findings of the late Jasper W. Snowden, and in consequence the list was con-

siderably lengthened. The original terms of reference had required them to register all record performances up to date. There were a few additions to the list of progressive lengths, and appreciable progress had been made in new methods, or new variations of old methods. The work still remained incomplete; the committee believed records of performances might be found in places of which they were as yet unaware. Quite recently they had learned that such records had appeared in the old periodicals, 'Bell's Life' and the 'Sporting Magazine.' It was not, therefore, unlikely that some of the records the committee had already registered might require correction in the light of future discoveries. Mr. Daniell and Mr. Trollope had research work in hand for the committee at the British Museum. The committee wished gratefully to acknowledge their assistance; also the kindness of Mr. Davies in lending one of his volumes of 'Church Bells.' They were further indebted to those honorary secretaries of associations who had examined and returned the lists submitted to them.

It was agreed that in view of the fact that there were still other particulars to add to the schedule, that the printing of this schedule should stand over for another year.—The report was adopted.

#### BELL RESTORATION FUND.

Alderman Chambers moved the following resolution:—

'That it is desirable to establish in the area of each ringing association a Bell Restoration Fund, from which grants may be made for the restoration of any rings of bells within the area when local funds are insufficient to meet the cost.'

He said the necessity for such a fund had been pressed upon him on several occasions. It would be very desirable to have such a fund available for the larger restoration work that had to be undertaken. In every parish where there was a ring of bells there ought to be some fund provided locally for keeping the bells in order. They had a notable instance of this at Duffield, and one could only wish that the same sort of thing could be done in other places. They did not, however, find enthusiasts like the late Sir Arthur Heywood in every part of the country. In the absence of that it might be possible to establish a bell repair fund, apart from the general fund of each of the associations. At the last two meetings of the Midland Counties Associations he had been asked as president to make special appeals—last year for St. Martin's, this year for two peals of bells in Derby—and it did seem that some further help might be forthcoming if they had any central fund upon which they could fall back. Last year, the President had pointed out that the Council had always refrained from interfering with the business of local associations, and that practically every association had a fund of this kind, or was ready to make grants, and he did not see that the Council could give instructions. With all deference, he (Alderman Chambers) did not think anyone suggested that it would be a matter of instructions, but merely a recommendation from that Council that should receive consideration at the hands of the various associations. He thought it was a mistake to assume that most associations had repair funds. They had in a few cases, but he should say certainly not half of them had such a fund of that description available. In remote country districts and sparsely inhabited neighbourhoods it was very difficult indeed to carry out any important work of restoration, and he thought the supply which he proposed would be in the right direction.

Mr. W. Willson, who seconded, said the ringers were out the church bells, and it was their place to contribute something towards their restoration.

Mr. A. E. Parsons said he thought this matter was a domestic affair, and not one for that Council to legislate upon. There were already societies which have their own funds to carry on this work, and they were really doing good work. If the Midland Counties Association felt disposed to institute a similar fund, they could get some helpful information from the societies who already had them, and amongst them, he was pleased to say, the Worcester Association was one.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies suggested as an amendment that the opening of the resolution should read: 'That Diocesan and County Associations be asked to consider the advisability of establishing in the area of each Ringing Association,' etc. He said he entirely agreed with the spirit of the motion, but he thought the amendment was the more desirable form for it to take.—Mr. F. Hopgood seconded.

Mr. James George said that there were good peals of bells in the towns as well as in the country districts that required restoration work, and where it would end he did not know. He was afraid that such a scheme as proposed would lead to a good deal of selfishness and dissatisfaction, although he agreed that if it could be properly carried out it would be a good thing.

Alderman Chambers intimated that he was prepared to accept the amendment proposed by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies.

The Chairman said he was glad of that, because he was going to point out that supposing they passed the resolution they had no power to compel it being carried out. It might be disregarded, and the Council would then look rather foolish in passing a resolution which they could not enforce. Ringers were never backward in contributing to bell restoration funds, and in Birmingham they had done a good deal, having contributed considerably to improve the peal of bells at St. Martin's. He had found that ringers always gave to

# GILLET & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.



the best of their means. He would like at that point to make a practical suggestion, and that was before they adjourned for luncheon that they should make a collection towards the restoration fund of Lincoln Cathedral. They had been favoured by the Dean and Chapter with the use of that magnificent Chapter House, and they sympathised deeply with the Cathedral authorities in their efforts to preserve that noble edifice in its integrity, and to check the first signs of decay a large sum of money was required, and subscriptions were not so handsome as one would have hoped. Every little helped, and he appealed to the members of the Council to contribute towards that noble object.

Canon Elsee said he greatly questioned whether the resolution proposed by Alderman Chambers, would be of great practical benefit. They all sympathised with those who had spoken about a Central Fund, but as a matter of fact he thought that such a Central Fund would produce too small an amount.

The Chairman: It is not proposed that there should be a Central Fund.

Canon Elsee said he was thinking of a Central Fund for a diocese of a county. The amount gathered by ringers in such an area would make up but a very small part of the cost of the restoration of a ring of bells, or of increasing a ring of bells. One could not oppose the loan, but he greatly doubted if it would have any great practical benefit. It seemed to him in the case of bell restorations that the real sources of income came with local feeling and local interest, and if a Central Fund for an Association did anything it would be very little.

Mr. G. P. Burton endorsed the views of Canon Elsee, and said they ought to be careful before putting forward anything which would add to the burdens of Associations.

The Chairman said they had got quite a harmless resolution, which merely invited local Associations to consider whether the matter was expedient. Any argument upon the subject had better be put at the local Association meetings.

The motion as amended was then put to the meeting and carried.

(To be continued.)

### WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

A very successful meeting was held at Berkswell on Saturday, June 17th. Ringers were present from Allesley, Birmingham, Chilvers Coton, Coventry, Exhall, Nuneaton, Stoke, and the local band. A short service was held in the church, conducted by the President, Canon Back. Upwards of 50 members and friends were present during the afternoon and evening. Tea was kindly provided by the President and Mrs. Back.—Mr. A. Roberts (Ringing Master) proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the President and Mrs. Back for their continued hospitality towards the members of the Guild, and so long as Canon Back was willing to act as president, he felt sure he would always be elected.

Mr. A. Wilkerson (hon. secretary) seconded the vote of thanks, and endorsed the Ringing Master's remarks, which, needless to say, was carried with acclamation.

The President, replying, said how pleased Mrs. Back and himself were to see such a good number of members present. It was a gathering they were both accustomed to look forward to with pleasure, and he hoped it would continue for many years to come.—In the course of his remarks, the President referred to the enthronement of the new Bishop of Coventry in the Cathedral on July 15th, which was the date of the annual meeting, and thought it would be a good thing if the Guild would hold its meeting at Coventry this year, and also to be represented at the enthronement.—Mention was made of the fact that there were no bells to ring in Coventry, and on the suggestion of the Hon. Secretary it was decided to put back the annual meeting to the 22nd July, at Warwick, if it could be arranged. At the same time it was decided for the Guild to be represented at the enthronement, and the President promised to apply for tickets. The methods rung during the day included Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, London and Cambridge Surprise, Double Stedman Slow Course, Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford and Plain Bob.

### DUDLEY & DISTRICT GUILD.

The quarterly meeting of the above was held on Saturday, May 27th, at Sedgley Parish Church, when upwards of 50 members from various towers were present.—The Rev. Dr. Swindell gave a very inspiring address at the Guild service, and also presided at the business meeting, which followed the tea.—A resolution was moved, and carried, that the subscription for ringing members be reduced from 1s. to 6d. per year, as and from the annual meeting, held on March 4th. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wombourne.—Mr. Goodman (Ringing Master) moved that the best thanks of the meeting be given to Dr. Swindell, the organist, the ladies who prepared the tea, and to Mr. B. Fullwood for their services, etc., in making the meeting such a success.—Dr. Swindell, in reply, on behalf of the ladies, the organist, and Mr. Fullwood, said it was a pleasure to have such a meeting, and gave a hearty welcome to come again. He also gave permission for the quarterly peal of Stedman to be attempted at Sedgley Church.

### SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

#### WESTERN DIVISION.

A quarterly meeting of the above Division was held at Billingshurst on Saturday, June 17th. A goodly number of members attended from the following towers: Brighton, Chiddingfold, Cranleigh, Warnham, Heone, Portsea, Shipley, and members of the local band. Ringing commenced at 2 o'clock, and the following methods were rung: Grand. sire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich Superlative and Cambridge Surprise. Major. The party adjourned for tea at the King's Head Hotel, after which the business meeting was held, the Rev. R. O. Johns presiding.—It was proposed to hold the next quarterly meeting at West Grinstead in September.—A vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. R. O. Johns for presiding, and for granting the use of the bells. The members then visited the belfry, and the bells were kept going in various methods till eight o'clock.

### LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

A quarterly meeting was held on Saturday last at Bedwas. The bells, a ring of six, with a tenor about 10 cwt., all of Bayley, of Bridgwater, were raised soon after three o'clock, and kept going until 4.30, when a service was held, conducted by the Rector, a former hon. secretary and treasurer of the association, the Rev. Connop L. Price, M.A. The address given was most encouraging to all the officers and members of the association. Tea immediately followed the service at the Rectory, which had been kindly provided by the Rector and Mrs. Price.

Following the tea, the business meeting was proceeded with, and various items dealt with, including a short report from the representatives that attended the Council meeting at Lincoln. New members were elected, and the place chosen for the next monthly meeting was Abergavenny, this being the only place proposed.

The business closed with a vote of thanks to the Rector and his wife for the exceptionally kind manner in which all were met and provided for, and also to Miss Thomas for kindness at the tea tables. Ringers attended from such distant places as Hay and Llanelly, Breconshire, and from Swindon, and the meeting was described as most successful.

### WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A very successful combined practice, attended by members from North Stoneham, Portsea, Portsmouth, Southampton (St. Mary's), Swanmore, Upham, Wickham, and the local ringers, was held at Curdridge on Saturday last. A goodly number were present, and the bells were rung up to 5 p.m. A short service was held in the church at 5.30, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. W. E. Slatter), at which the ringers attended. At the conclusion, he said how pleased he was to welcome the Guild to Curdridge. By his kind permission ringing was resumed at 6 o'clock, and continued till 7.30, when the bells were lowered. Throughout the day some good practice was had in all the standard methods, and also Cambridge, Superlative and London Surprise Major.

### MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

#### SOUTH AND WEST DISTRICT.

A meeting was held at Sunbury-on-Thames on Saturday, June 17th, when 40 ringers were present. Several touches were rung, from Grandsire to Cambridge and Superlative Surprise, before and after tea. Tea was served in the Parish Hall, with the Rev. F. D. Thompson presiding, supported by the vice-president, Mr. Tom Beadle.—The Rev. Thompson welcomed the association to Sunbury, on behalf of the Vicar (the Rev. P. Sydnay), followed by a ringers' address and business meeting.—The usual vote of thanks was accorded to the clergy, the vice-president, the Sunbury ringers for their kind services, and to all members and visitors for their attendance and support.

### THE LATE MR. HARRY FLANDERS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I have received the following further amounts towards the fund opened on behalf of the widow of the late Mr. Harry Flanders, viz.: Mr. F. A. Milne, 5s.; Mr. J. George, 2s. 6d.; Mr. W. A. Pye (2nd donation), 2s. 6d.; Mr. Maurice Smith, 2s. The total received is £3 18s., which amount has been handed to Mrs. Flanders, who wishes me to convey to all who have so kindly helped, her very grateful thanks for their assistance in her time of need. I hope that all who responded to the appeal will also accept the thanks of Mr. A. Pye and myself, for their generous and timely help.

—Yours faithfully,

C. T. COLES.

49, Wood Street, London, E.17.

June 24th, 1922.

LITTLE HORKESLEY, ESSEX.—On Sunday, June 18th, for evening service, 480 Doubles (360 Grandsire and 120 of St. Simeon's) were rung by the following: G. Balls 1, E. Leggett 2, G. Clarke 3, A. Catterwell (conductor) 4, H. Warn 5.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

LONDON.—On Sunday, June 25th, for evening service, at St. Mary's, Barnes, S.W., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: A. Cutmore 1, H. Barrett 2, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 3, J. S. Hawkins 4, E. Cook 5, R. Mackrill 6, C. F. W. Hunt 7, J. Willmott 8.

EALING, MIDDLESEX.—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, June 25th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 42 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr., 1, F. W. Goodfellow 2, J. E. Churchill 3, A. M. Stacey 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, L. H. Page (conductor) 7, F. S. Palmer, senr., 8.

CHESHUNT, HERTS.—On Sunday evening, June 25th, 1,008 Grandsire Triples: D. Tucker 1, G. Andrews 2, W. G. Darlington 3, H. Warner 4, J. Thomas 5, A. Bull 6, G. Maxim (conductor) 7, J. Littlechild 8.

BARKING, ESSEX.—On Sunday, June 18th (Hospital Sunday), for morning service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes), was rung in 48 mins.: A. C. Hardy 1, W. Beard 2, F. Russell 3, H. E. King 4, W. G. Jackson 5, G. W. Faulkner 6, C. Fenn (conductor) 7, E. G. Cottis 8. Composed by the late A. J. Perkins.—Also, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Superlative Surprise Major (1,280 changes) was rung in 47 mins.: E. G. Cottis 1, A. E. Parker 2, T. Faulkner 3, E. Andrews 4, C. Fenn (conductor) 5, H. E. King 6, R. Fenn 7, A. C. Hardy 8. Composed by H. E. Wilde. Taken from 'The Ringing World.'

PLYMOUTH.—At Charles' Church, on Sunday, June 18th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes), in 47 mins.: A. Westcott 1, H. Ashton 2, F. H. Davey 3, W. H. Marsh 4, W. Rundle 5, R. A. H. Dobson 6, T. Pook (1st quarter-peal of Caters) 7, W. S. Hornbrook 8, E. W. Marsh (conductor) 9, G. Gomer 10.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—On Sunday, June 18th, for morning service, 1,008 Plain Bob Major: W. Pierce 1, J. Larter 2, E. Hall 3, R. Thompson 4, Capt. A. E. Reeves 5, J. Howard 6, A. Lee (conductor) 7, C. Moss 8.—For evening service the same day, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor, with the tenor covering: W. Pierce 1, E. Hall 2, J. O'Neill 3, C. Moss 4, J. Howard 5, A. Lee (conductor) 6, J. Jolly 7. Rung in honour of the visit of the Lord Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.—At St. Peter's Church, on June 18th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): H. Markwell 1, G. Thompson 2, G. Smithers 3, Miss Orlebar (first quarter-peal in the method) 4, W. Collison 5, J. Wheadon, senr., 6, W. Latter (conductor) 7, F. Ballard (first quarter-peal) 8.

HARLOW COMMON.—On Sunday morning, June 18th, for Divine service, 1,280 Double Norwich: W. Morris 1, V. Tipton 2, H. Smale 3, L. J. Cordell 4, G. Dent (conductor) 5, S. Clark 6, J. Cordell 7, W. Wheeler 8.

OATLANDS, SURREY.—On Sunday, June 18th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 47 mins.: Mrs. A. W. Clark, W. Shepherd (conductor), Miss N. E. Shorter, J. Loveridge, W. S. Woodrow, A. W. Clark, J. B. Hessey, F. J. Shepherd.

APPLEBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.—On Sunday, June 11th, at St. Bartholomew's Church, for evening service, Bob Singles with 5 and 6 bells covering: W. Howson 1, H. E. Dannatt 2, W. Crowder 3, J. Pettit 4, T. Johnson 5, A. Harker 6. The ringer of the 6th is a member of the local band; 2nd and 3rd from Barrow-on-Humber; 1st and 4th from Goxhill.

HARTLIP, KENT.—On Sunday, June 11th, for evening service, at St. Michael's, 720 Bob Minor: L. Hales 1, E. T. Frair 2, S. H. Hopper 3, W. Males 4, W. J. Walker (conductor) 5, J. Harris 6. Also 720 Bob Minor on Friday, June 9th: L. Hales 1, E. T. Frair 2, J. Harris 3, S. H. Hopper 4, W. G. Kitchingham 5, W. J. Walker (conductor) 6.

NORTHAMPTON.—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday, June 11th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): S. Foskett 1, J. C. Dean 2, J. T. Hensman 3, H. Rainbow 4, W. Farcy 5, H. Blundell 6, W. J. Allen (conductor) 7, W. G. Farcy 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

MORETON-IN-MARSH, GLOS.—On Sunday morning, June 11th, for service, 420 Grandsire Triples: N. Able 1, J. Gardner 2, F. Jones 3, E. Large (Birmingham) 4, N. Brion 5, W. Large (conductor) 6, A. White 7, J. Lowe 8.

LEICESTER.—At St. Margaret's, on Sunday, June 11th, for morning service, 558 Grandsire Caters: T. Bent treble, F. Sharman 2, A. Ballard 3, H. S. Morley (Selby Abbey) 4, E. E. Smith 5, J. Morris 6, C. Cattell 7, H. Lock 8, E. Morris (conductor) 9, A. Nother 10.

CHATTERIS, CAMBS.—On Sunday, June 11th, at Chatteris St. Peter's, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: A. Barker 1, P. A. Smith 2, J. Rowkinson 3, A. Mattock (conductor) 4, J. Granger 5, A. Abrams 6, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: A. Seekings 1, A. Barker 2, J. Rowkinson 3, A. Mattock (conductor) 4, J. Granger 5, A. Abrams 6.

## WEDDING BELLS AT WRAGBY.

On June 1st, at Holy Trinity Church, York, Mr. Frank Atkinson, of Wragby, and Miss Helen Belcher, of York, were married. A well-struck 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor was rung on the Wragby bells by Messrs. G. Harrison, J. Brewin, W. Jackson, J. Adams, J. Hewitt and A. Adams.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The bells at Holy Trinity, Burnley, and Kirkham, Lancs, are being rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

The peal at Tarporley, on May 27th, was rung in 2 hours and 49 minutes, not 2 hours, as printed in June 9th issue.

The peal at Coalbrookdale, on June 17th, was rung in three hours and two minutes, not four hours and two minutes, as printed in June 23rd issue.

Two change ringers wish to know whether there is any ringing to be had in or near Douglas, Isle of Man. Please forward any information to 'Ringing World' Office, Thanking you for the same.—Yours, 'INTERESTED.'

## WHO IS THE OWNER?

Dear Sir,—I give below the composition of a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal, which appears in the 1913 report of the Kent County Association under the name of W. Pye, and in the 1920 report of the Gloucester and Bristol Association the same peal is given under the name of John A. Burford. I think it is well to have the authorship established for future records.

23456 M W H

43652	—	—	—
26354	—	—	—
35264	—	—	—
23564	—	—	—
52364	—	—	—
43265	—	—	—
26435	—	—	—
42635	—	—	—
64235	—	—	—
52436	—	—	—
43528	—	—	—
54326	—	—	—
35426	—	—	—
23456	—	—	—

This peal was rung at All Saints', Worcester, on Whit Monday, and at Tewkesbury Abbey on June 17th, 1922.—Faithfully yours, W. PAGE.

## 5,080 SPLICED TREBLE BOB ROYAL.

By E. C. GOBEY.

23456 M Ox Ox W H

54326	2	—	—	—
24365	—	—	—	1 2
24653	1	—	—	2
24536	1	—	—	2

Repeated brings up.

25346	—	—	—	—
43526	2	—	—	—
23564	—	—	—	1 2
36245	1	—	—	1
23645	2	—	—	2
23456	1	—	—	2

Rung at Chesterfield, on June 10th, 1922. The leads of Oxford are rung when the 8th and 9th course the treble down, keeping the 7, 8, 9, 10 out of the slow throughout the peal.

## ST. SIDWELL'S CHURCH BELLS, EXETER.

The ring of ten bells (tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb. in D) in the tower of the Parish Church of St. Sidwell, Exeter, have been completely overhauled and adjusted, and re-equipped for ringing purposes. For some years, and even before the great war began in 1914, some of the bells were hard to manipulate, and the abnormally dry weather of last year, acting on the stout old oak frame containing the peal, emphasised the necessity of giving attention to the whole combination. The matter was taken in hand by Mr. E. Shepherd, the Ringing Master, of St. Sidwell's Society, and chairman of the Exeter District of the Devonshire Guild of Ringers, with the result that a contract was completed with Messrs. T. Doble and Son, of Taunton, whereby they had to fit all the bells with new gudgeons and bearings, strengthen the wooden cage with vertical bolts, secure true balances for the bells, and repair the set-offs carrying the frame. This work having been completed, a trial of the bells took place the other evening. Several touches were rung and the result was an expression of general satisfaction with the way in which the contract had been carried out. The peal is one of the most highly appreciated in the West of England, and its availability for ringing, under improved conditions, will afford all campanologists keen satisfaction. It may be added that Messrs. Doble and Son have recently rehung the six bells at Kelly (the home of the President of the Guild of Devonshire ringers), and have overhauled the rings of six at Lamerton and Lew Trenchard, putting them in good ringing order. They have also received the order to rehang the six bells at St. Petrock's, Exeter.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

### SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available at 3 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome.—Wm. Nash, Dist. Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held at All Saints', Fulham, on Saturday, July 1st. Tower open from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The Monthly Practice will be held at King's Langley, on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available 3 p.m. All are welcome.—W. Ayre, School House, Leverstock Green, Hemel Hempstead.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Canterbury District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Stephen's, Canterbury, on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available at 3 o'clock. St. Stephen's (8). St. Alphege (6). St. Dunstan's (6). Christ Church Cathedral (10) at 7 o'clock. Service at 4 o'clock at St. Stephen's; an address will be given by the Rector (Rev. C. Stonehouse). Tea at "Ye Olde Beverlie" at 4.30, provided by the Association.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. District Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division. — The next meeting will be held at Gestingthorpe on July 1st. Bells ready, 3 p.m. Service with address, 4.15.—Bert Redgwell, District Sec., Rayne, S. & M. Braintree.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Devizes Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Trowbridge on Saturday, July 1st. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service, 4.30. Tea, 5. Business meeting immediately after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The next 6-bell Contest and Annual Meeting will be held at Shelley, on Saturday, July 1st. Draw at 2.45.—W. Frith, Sec.

STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.—A Ringing meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, July 1st.—E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Beddington, on 1st July. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. All welcome.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7d, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—The Annual General meeting will be held on Saturday, July 1st, at 2 p.m., in St. Maurice Hall, Winchester. Service in Cathedral at 4 p.m., when there will be special music, and the preacher will be the Rev. Canon Braithwaite. Tea at 5 in St. Maurice Hall.—Rev. N. C. Woods, Hon. Sec., Upper House, Symond's Street, Winchester.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Calne Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Wootton Bassett on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting at 5.—S. L. R. Sharp, Bentley House, Calne, Wilts.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION. — Kettering District.—The Annual meeting and election of officers will be held at Isham on July 1st. Bells open at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—R. F. Turner, District Sec., 7, Gordon Street, Kettering.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 1st, at Moorside. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30. Nominations for Branch president to be in at this meeting.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 1, Church Street, Middleton.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Edwinstowe on Saturday, July 1st. Bells (6) available from 2 to 9 o'clock.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at Perry Barr on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available from 3.30. Tea in the Church House at 5.30, 1/3 per head.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Saxmundham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Peasenhall on Saturday, July 1st. Bells of the Parish Church (6) and Tibton (5) available from 2.30. All ringers are welcome.—George Wilson, 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.—Next meeting at Mansfield, July 1st.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec., Chesterfield.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on July 6th and 20th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 11th; Southwark Cathedral on the 18th; \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 25th; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 27th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Yorktown District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Hersham, Surrey, on Saturday, 8th July. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30 p.m. Tea in the Church House at 5 p.m.—W. A. Woodrow, Rydens Grove, Hersham (for Hon. Sec., Geo. Miles).

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Halewood on Saturday, July 8th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, Branch Sec., 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—The Annual meeting of the Wellingborough District will be held at Irthlingborough on July 8th. It is hoped as many members as possible will attend. Usual arrangements. Will those requiring tea please notify me not later than the 5th?—F. Barber, Dis. Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at Charing on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short service at 5. Tea at 5.45, provided by the Vicar. Business meeting to follow. All ringers intending to be present and requiring Tea must let me know not later than Tuesday morning, July 4th. Half railway fares up to 2s. will be paid at this meeting.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Dist. Secretary, Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Melbourne on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available at 2 o'clock. At 4 o'clock there will be an opportunity for ringers and their friends to visit the Hall gardens. The committee will meet at 4.30 in the Church House. Tea has been arranged for 5.30 at the Blue Bell Inn, 2/6 per head. General meeting will follow tea. Mr. A. Braines, Hon. Sec. Derby District, 7, Seale Street, Derby, should be advised by July 5th by those who wish to be included in the arrangements for tea.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Clifton, on Saturday, July 8th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—C. J. Ball, District Sec., Sandy.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Ranmore on Saturday, July 8th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Those requiring tea should inform me not later than Wednesday, July 5th, as a guarantee as to number has to be given.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dis. Sec., 47, Beddington Grove, Wallington.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Eye District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Thornham Magna on Saturday, July 8th. Towers of Wickham (6), Thornham (6), Thorndon (6), Yaxley (6) and Eye (8) will be open for ringing. Tea in Schoolroom at 5.30, provided by the Hon. Lord Henniker, who will preside. Members and others intending to be present please notify District Secretary.—H. Day, Bell Cottage, Eye, Suffolk.

**BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Wortley, near Sheffield, Saturday, July 8th. Bells ready 2.30. Tea will be provided for those applying before July 4th, to Mr. W. Wooler, New Lodge, Wortley, Sheffield.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Wells on Saturday, July 8th. Service in the Cathedral at 3 p.m. Meeting and tea to follow. The Cathedral bells will be available for two hours after the meeting and St. Cuthbert's both before the service and after the meeting. Will those requiring tea please write Mr. Farley, City Saw Mills, Wells, before July 4th, giving him the numbers requiring tea?—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Newton-le-Willows on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. Turn up in large numbers and make the meeting a success.—J. Halsall, Branch Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Hersham, on 8th July. Bells available from 3 p.m. No service at 4.30 p.m. as previously advertised. Tea in Church House 5 p.m.—W. A. Woodrow, Ryden's Grove, Hersham. (For G. Miles, Sec.)

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Willesden, on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5, followed by tea (at a small charge) and business meeting. All requiring tea please let me know.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly general meeting at St. Clement Danes on Monday, July 10th, at 6.30 p.m. Business meeting (important items) at 8.15 p.m. Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m. Bishopsgate, July 3rd; St. Clement's, 24th. Sundays at 10 a.m.—St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Beddington, on Saturday, July 15th. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. at 1/- per head. Will members and friends please notify me by the 11th? All ringers welcome.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14A, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The Annual Branch meeting will be held at Leyland, St. James', on July 15th; also a special meeting at Preston on July 22nd. Usual arrangements.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Twickenham on Saturday, July 15th, by permission of the Rev. Prebendary Prosser, M.A., and Churchwardens, who will entertain our members to tea. Ringing from 3 p.m. Kindly let me know by the 10th all who require tea.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Edenham, on Saturday, July 15th. Bells available afternoon and evening. Tea provided at the Five Bells Inn, at 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me by July 11th, so that the necessary arrangements can be made.—S. Proctor, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

**ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at 'Abbey House,' Bury St. Edmunds, on Saturday, July 15th. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m. In the unavoidable absence of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, the sermon will be preached by the Archdeacon of Sudbury (President). Tea (provided by the President) at 'Abbey House' at 4.30, for all who send their names to Rev. R. L. Gardner, Chelworth Rectory, Suffolk, by July 6th. Meeting immediately afterwards. Cathedral bells (8) and St. Mary's (8) available all day.—Herbert Drake, Sec., Ufford, Woodbridge.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Rainham on Saturday, July 15th. Bells available from 3 to 9 p.m. The Association service at 5, conducted by the curate-in-charge (Rev. Walton). Tea in the Church Hall at 1/3 per head, followed by business meeting. In order to make proper provision, will all those who wish to partake of tea notify me not later than Tuesday, July 11?—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.



**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—A combined practice in Surprise methods only will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, July 22nd. Tower open at 3 p.m. Surprise ringers please note.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Mr. Albert Wright, Ivy Cottage, Pitchcombe, near Stroud, Glos., is the appointed Hon. Peal Secretary. Conductors of peals must send to him full particulars, fees and composition immediately peal has been rung.—Edgar Guise, General Hon. Sec.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. William Pye has removed to 74, Cecil Road, Leytonstone, E. 11.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

**'GRANDSIRE DOUBLES & TRIPLES SIMPLY EXPLAINED.'**—Intended for beginners and for those who find the ordinary books of instruction too technical. To be obtained from I. Roe and M. Broome, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath. Price 6d.; post free 6½d.; 5/9 a dozen, post free.

#### INVITATION.

J. W., Masters Gerald and Malcolm Moorhouse and Miss Olive L. Lumley would be pleased to meet any ringers who care to call at Rockbourne, 70, Derby Road, Douglas, from the 23rd to the 30th inst. If any handbell ringer has an hour to spare when in Leeds they would be pleased to see him at 10, Mitford Road, Armley, Leeds.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Clerk, ex-service (24), seeks situation. London or Warwick districts preferred (not essential). Experienced book-keeper, storekeeper, typist. Ring Surprise 8 bells. Accept low salary to get with good band. Excellent refs.—Box 4, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

Beautiful set of 21 HANDBELLS for Sale. Price £10. — J. Ward, Latchmere, Worting Road, Basingstoke.

Peal of 12 Handbells in A. Condition as good as new. Just the thing for tower work.—Apply, Mrs. Trinder, Green Lane, Church Street, Upper Walmer.

#### DEATH OF MR. CHARLES GAISFORD.

We regret to announce the death of Charles Gaisford, steeplekeeper and ringer at St. Thomas', Salisbury, at the age of 64. He rang the tenor in the first peal ever rung in Salisbury, at St. Martin's on Sept. 3rd, 1887; also in the first peal ever rung on St. Thomas' bells, on May 21st, 1888, both Grandsire Triples. He also rang the tenor in a peal of Stelman Triples at St. Thomas', on April 17th, 1911, and covered a peal of Grandsire Triples at Ringwood on August 1st, 1887. He died on June 19th, and was buried in the Fisherton Cemetery on Friday, 23rd. A muffled peal was rung for him at St. Thomas' the same evening by G. Webb, F. W. Romain, L. Harris, J. R. Jerram, H. Wordsell, F. Hiscock, G. Mountford and W. Wright.

#### THE LATE MR. W. W. GIFFORD.

Amount previously acknowledged, £13 2s. 6d.; Mr. H. D. Adams, 10s. 6d.; Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Croydon, £1 1s.; Mr. G. Williams, 2s. 6d.; Mr. G. Williams, 2s. 6d.; Mr. G. Pullinger, 2s. 6d.; Mr. W. H. Fussell, 2s. 6d.; St. Mary's Company Ringers, Amesbury, 10s.; total, £15 14s.

**STOW-ON-THE-WOLD, GLOS.**—On Sunday evening, June 11th, for evening service, 1,290 Grandsire Triples in 50 mins.: H. Packer 1, J. Collett 2, E. Parden 3, E. Large (Birmingham) 4, E. Davis 5, T. Banning 6, W. Large (conductor) 7, W. Riching 8.



## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. AGGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. — Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

#### HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

0 1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



ESTAB.  
1730

## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
**COVENTRY.**

#### PUBLICATION.

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF  
LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton,  
Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to  
XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers  
I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in  
cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair  
Home, Wokingham.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowden Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Gaversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price ...	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Silversmith,  
**WOKING**  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 35/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING  
**WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.O.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 890. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, JULY 7th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### PROOF & RECORD OF COMPOSITIONS

Among the motions which the Central Council considered was one proposing, in effect, that all new compositions should be officially proved before being rung or published, and that the Council should keep a record of all compositions. Unfortunately, the proposer was not present to put his arguments before the Council, and his deputy advanced the motion in such a non-committal fashion that it had little chance of passing from the outset, and in the end was negatived. All the criticism seemed to turn upon the first part of the resolution, with regard to the proof of peals, and that, of course, was not surprising. If the Council were to set up a committee to prove all the compositions which are produced, the unfortunate committee (if anyone could be found to serve upon it) would be loaded with an almost impossible burden, for every Tom, Dick and Harry who could string together sufficient course-ends would be submitting their efforts. In our view, a man should not attempt to compose peals until he understands, and can put into practice, the means of proof. There is no credit in putting together, say, twenty-four course ends of Superlative and having to get someone else to ascertain their accuracy. It is another thing to get them checked when the peal has been proved, but to provide machinery for proving everybody's compositions would be to encourage ignorant or lazy individuals to cast the real labour of composition upon other shoulders.

Very different, however, was the second reference in the motion, which, curiously, received little or no attention. What is badly wanted is a record of all compositions in all methods, so arranged that, with little trouble, it would be possible to say whether any peal, supposed to be new, had been previously obtained. There are, we believe, many compositions rung as the product of modern composers which were obtained years ago by others, and the Rev. H. Law James supported this view when, discussing the Treble Bob peal collection, he said he frequently got hold of figures which, while he was unable to find them in the various books, he knew were as old as the hills. As time passes this kind of thing will increase, unless there is some means of checking new productions with existing peals, for, however honest a composer may be, he cannot be expected to give up his claim unless figures can be brought to prove a prior right. Moreover, such a record would preserve many good compositions which, as things now are, are rung and then lost sight of. As the years go by it would become of more and more value, it would preserve to the composers who have gone the rights which justly belong to them, and it would form a reference to which new composers could turn with advantage and profit.

(Continued on page 418.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

Messrs. **CHARLES CARR, Ltd.**

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

**JOHN NICOLL,**

**Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.**

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

**Late 155, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

Admittedly the initial labour would be a big one, but far and away less exacting than, for instance, working out and proving all the Treble Bob Major methods, which task is not unlikely to be assailed in the near future. At the same time, it must be realised that the longer it is put off the more difficult it will become, not only on account of the larger number of peals to be dealt with, but of the extra labour involved in bringing together the old compositions. This work is one which, we believe, would prove of great importance to the Exercise—increasingly so in years to come—and it is one which we hope the Council will seriously consider.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, June 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS-THE-MARTYR, E.C.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5061 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. Treble	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... .. 6
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 2	† JAMES E. DAVIS... .. 7
* GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 3	GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. 8
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 9
GEORGE R. PYE... .. 5	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Pye, Lucas and A. W. Coles. \* First peal of Caters on tower bells. † 600th peal. Quickest peal on the bells.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

ALBERT D. STONE ... .. Treble	OLIVER SIPPETTS... .. 6
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 2	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 7
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 3	KEITH HART... .. 8
GEORGE R. PYE... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 9
* ALFRED W. GROVES ... .. 5	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal of Cambridge Royal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION:  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM SHORT ... .. Treble	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 5
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 2	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 6
JOHN BASS ... .. 3	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 7
ERNEST J. BROOKS ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, June 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5344 CHANGES;**

HENRY C. COLLYER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM BIBBY... .. 5
GEORGE H. RANGLES... .. 2	* LEONARD BOSTOCK ... .. 6
FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 3	EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 7
JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. 4	Cecil RADDON ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (118). Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal in the method.

## LUTON, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ARTHUR J. SMITH ... .. Treble	HARRY WOOD ... .. 5
ALFRED KING ... .. 2	FREDERICK HUNT ... .. 6
THOMAS BLACKBOURN ... .. 3	THOMAS KENDALL ... .. 7
CLIFFORD ROLLINGS ... .. 4	LEWIS A. GOODENOUGH ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by L. A. GOODENOUGH.

First peal in the method by all and on the bells. First peal in the method in the county of Bedfordshire rung by an entirely local band. Rung at second attempt. Rung as a wedding peal to the Rev. F. C. Hamlyn, curate at the Parish Church, and Miss Iris Linsell, of Harpenden, which took place at Harpenden Parish Church.

## THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

*G. STEDMAN MORRIS ... .. Treble	ERNEST J. JELLEY ... .. 5
ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. 2	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 6
SYDNEY COX ... .. 3	*REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 7
FRED STANFORTH ... .. 4	JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal of Bob Major. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. Morris. The ringers of 3rd and 5th hail from South Wigston, 4th from Kibworth, 7th from Anstey, and the rest from St. Margaret's, Leicester.

## HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ALBERT C. HARDY ... .. Treble	EBENEZER ANDREWS ... .. 5
*ARTHUR C. CHAPLIN ... .. 2	ARTHUR K. HARRISON ... .. 6
*WILLIAM G. JACKSON ... .. 3	JOHN DALE ... .. 7
CALEB FENN ... .. 4	ERNEST G. COTTIS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by CALEB FENN.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Chaplin and Andrews. The above was rung after the unveiling of a peal tablet recording the first peal of Treble Bob Major on the bells. It was intended to ring Superlative, but meeting short, Mr. Jackson obliged at the last minute. The band wish to thank the Vicar for his kindness in granting the use of the bells and Mr. Dale for having everything in perfect order.

## GREAT MILTON, OXON.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(OXFORD SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

HARRY HOLIFIELD ... .. Treble	THOMAS SHORT ... .. 5
MRS. A. E. LOCK ... .. 2	ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 6
*GEORGE E. STONE ... .. 3	GORDON CAUDWELL ... .. 7
FRANCIS TAYLOR ... .. 4	WILLIAM STONE ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. HUDSON.

Conducted by ALBERT E. LOCK.

\* First peal of Major.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

## WETHERBY, YORKS.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

*CYRIL KIRBY ... .. Treble	PERCY J. JOHNSON ... .. 5
*THOMAS McHALE ... .. 2	JAMES R. KEMP ... .. 6
*SYDNEY SADLER ... .. 3	*CYRIL POLLARD ... .. 7
GEORGE ROBINSON ... .. 4	*CHARLES NICHOLLS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.

\* First peal. First peal in the method on the bells.

## BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

TOM STANCLIFFE ... .. Treble	LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... 5
FRED CHAMBERS ... .. 2	JOHN WATSON ... .. 6
RENNIE HARTLEY ... .. 3	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. 7
*WILLIAM H. HUNTER ... .. 4	†MATTHEW KEARNEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

\* First peal in the method on an 'inside' bell. † First peal in the method.

## CIRENCESTER, GLOS.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, WATERMOOR,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

FRANCIS J. LEWIS ... .. Treble	JAMES BUTLER ... .. 5
WILFRED G. COOK ... .. 2	*GEORGE DORE ... .. 6
H. CHARLES BOND ... .. 3	RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. CUSS ... .. 4	JOHN HAYWARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES BUTLER.

\* First peal and first attempt. Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. Arthur Parsons and Miss Maureen Heffernan.

## TONBRIDGE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

*HARRY BAKER ... .. Treble	HARRY GOODWIN ... .. 5
LEONARD MANNERING ... .. 2	LEWIS NEWMAN ... .. 6
TOM SAUNDERS ... .. 3	†BEN J. BAKER ... .. 7
GEORGE J. BELL ... .. 4	THOMAS E. SONE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by THOMAS E. SONE.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal. For calling, see K.C.A. Report, 1921.

## HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

HAROLD BUCKLER ... .. Treble	HENRY WILSON ... .. 5
*JOHN C. TAYLOR ... .. 2	JOE GARTH ... .. 6
MISS EVA HOPKIN ... .. 3	FRED WATKINSON ... .. 7
WILLIAM GODDEN ... .. 4	FREDERICK CARDWELL ... Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER.

Conducted by F. WATKINSON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled to the memory of the men of Handsworth and the Sheffield City Battalion, who gave their lives in the Great War. \* First peal, aged 13 years. First peal of Grandsire by all the band except the conductor. It is the first peal of Triples on the bells and the first rung half-muffled.

COALBROOKDALE, SALOP.—On Sunday, June 25th, for evening service, 560 Bob Major: R. Evans 1, W. D. Wase 2, J. H. Rixom 3, A. S. Bayley 4, R. Jones 5, J. Hanley 6, Wm. Saunders 7, E. V. Rodenhurst (conductor) 8. First touch of Major as conductor for the tenor ringer, and first attempt.



## SALLE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;

FRANK H. DAVEY ... .. Treble	BEN S. THOMPSON ... .. 5
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 6
WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 3	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... .. 7
JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 4	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

## WARNHAM, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

CHARLES T. COLES ... .. Treble	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 5
KEITH HART ... .. 2	*OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 3	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 7
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## DENNINGTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, June 23, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Woodbine and two 720's each of Plain Bob, Kent  
Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN HALL ... .. Treble	CHARLES WOODCOCK ... .. 4
WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... .. 2	JAMES WARDLEY ... .. 5
JOHN GARRETT ... .. 3	HARRY HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY HALL.

## GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and five of Plain Bob.  
Tenor 10 cwt.

MISS ADA DEACON ... .. Treble	MISS PHYLLIS HARE ... .. 4
*MISS KITTIE MOORE ... .. 2	WALTER T. WILSON ... .. 5
MISS ANNIE PARKINS ... .. 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal in three methods. Rung as a birthday compliment to  
Miss K. Moore and Miss P. Hare.

## HATHEROP, GLOS.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 10 six-scores of Grandsire and 32 six-scores of  
St. Dunstan's, each called differently.

GEORGE LAW ... .. Treble	*GEORGE J. WINTER ... .. 4
JOHN HOPE ... .. 2	GEORGE W. HASTINGS ... .. 5
WILLIAM C. CUSS ... .. 3	*JOSEPH SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM C. CUSS.

\* First peal. and believed to be the first peal on the bells.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

## GREAT HAMPTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, June 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of College Single and two 720's each of Oxford Bob, Can-  
terbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*GEORGE R. HEMMING ... Treble	JOSEPH D. JOHNSON ... .. 4
MISS ELLEN M. JOHNSON ... 2	JAMES HEMMING ... .. 5
GEOFFERY J. HEMMING ... 3	FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK J. JOHNSON.

\* First peal and first attempt. Mr. J. Hemming's 100th peal, his  
first also having been rung in the above tower and conducted by F. J.  
Johnson. Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss E. G. Hemming,  
eldest daughter of the ringer of the 5th.

## OXFORD.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(OXFORD SOCIETY.)

On Monday, June 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EBBE,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 1,440 of Cambridge Surprise, 1,440 of Oxford Treble Bob  
and 2,160 of Kent.

*HARRY TOLLEY ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS ... 4
WILLIAM HARRIS ... .. 2	†ALBERT E. LOCKE ... .. 5
†MRS. A. E. LOCKE ... .. 3	†GORDON CAUDWELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Minor. This is the first peal of  
Treble Bob Minor in the city of Oxford, and the first peal rung for  
the above new branch, which was formed the second week in June.

## RADSTOCK, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 30 six-scores of Grandsire and 12 of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

*JOHN SEYMOUR ... .. Treble	†CHARLES J. PAIN ... .. 3
GERALD GRIFFIN ... .. 2	THOMAS GRIFFIN ... .. 4
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by GERALD GRIFFIN.

\* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' The conductor is 14½ years old.

## PIRBRIGHT, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, June 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent  
Treble Bob, Double Oxford, St. Clement's Bob & Single Oxford Bob.  
Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM T. BEESON, JUN. ... Treble	GEORGE CHANDLER ... .. 4
HUBERT J. CHAFFEY ... .. 2	SAMUEL PETTER ... .. 5
MISS KATHLEEN AVENELL ... 3	SERG. G. GILBERT, R.E. ... Tenor

Conducted by SAMUEL PETTER.

The ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for  
the use of the bells, and the local ringers for having everything in  
readiness.

## ASPLEY GUISE, BEDFORDSHIRE.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Plain Bob and Woodbine, and two  
720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

CYRIL SINFIELD ... .. Treble	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 4
HERBERT L. HARLOW ... .. 2	MARK LANE ... .. 5
ALBERT FLEET ... .. 3	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HORACE H. SMITH.

Arranged for Herbert L. Harlow, of Bedford.

LEATON, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.  
(ST. CHAD'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, consisting: 10 of Stedman Doubles, 1 of Canterbury Pleasure, 16 of Bob Doubles and 15 of Grandsire Doubles, each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt, 2 qr. 6 lb. in F.

JOHN W. GRIFFITHS ... .. Treble	REGINALD R. POLE ... .. 3
JAMES E. LILLEY ... .. 2	DENNISS J. BOUCHER ... .. 4
CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

First peal on the bells. First peal of Doubles on five bells by the above Guild and in the county, and first peal on five bells by all except the conductor. The bells were put in in 1873 by Taylor and Co., Loughborough, the 'go' being excellent. The band tender their best thanks to the Rev. Benson for the use of the bells and for kindly supplying refreshments after the peal, and to Messrs. Ashley and Ellis for having everything ready.

BIDDENHAM.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT COCKINGS ... .. Treble	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... .. 4
CHARLES MORTIMER ... .. 2	JOHN MANEY ... .. 5
HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 3	PEARLE INSKIP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

HANDBELL PEALS.

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 6038 CHANGES;

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.

Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

This peal is now tapped for the first time.

BIRMINGHAM.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, June 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 1-2	ALBERT WALTER ... .. 7-8
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 3-4	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 9-10
JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 11-12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

Referee: ALBERT T. SCRIVENS.

RINGERS' OUTINGS.  
THE ST. CLEMENT'S YOUTHS.

This young society celebrated their first year by having an enjoyable outing together on June 17th, at Chislehurst. Amongst the party was the president, the Rev. W. H. Bickford, who was accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Pennington Bickford. The party were welcomed at Chislehurst Church by the Vicar, and a move was made for the 'ringing-bay,' for the bells are rung off the church floor. Here several touches were indulged in by the 'oldsters,' and some call changes by the youngsters.

The party, now augmented by Mr. Groombridge, senr., and one or two of the local ringers, adjourned to the Bickley Hotel for tea. Chislehurst may be famous for its fine situation and charming woodlands, but its hall-mark is undoubtedly its caves. After a few tunes on the handbells, the party moved off, and presently each armed with at least a lantern, adventured into the great cave. A very interesting perambulation was, however, brought round in about 40 minutes. Despite the risk of a flashlight photo (by that well-known

ringer, Mr. H. P. Harmon) and of ringing a course of Stedman Triples, in front of the 'Druids Altar,' the party emerged safely again to outer daylight and reported all present.

The excursion was well organised by the Master, Mr. E. Alex Young, and the secretary, Mr. W. Sergison.—Thanks were cordially expressed to the Vicar and local ringers for their kind welcome. The 'Youths' also (literally this time) were pleased to have with them those older but more famous 'Youths' upon whose precept and example they set so high a store.

ST. IGNATIUS-THE-MARTYR'S GUILD, SUNDERLAND.

The members took their annual trip on Wednesday, June 21st, and the party, numbering 21, included lady friends. A halt was made at Richmond for dinner, and the party afterwards journeyed by motor charabanc to Reeth and Muker, the famous 'Buttertubs' being visited.

On the return journey a short stop was made to examine the fine old church at Grinton, near Reeth.

After tea, the captain, Mr. J. W. Parker, in a happy little speech, expressed his pleasure that the first trip under the new arrangement had been so successful. He thanked the churchwardens for their assistance, and welcomed the visitors, the Rev. G. D. John and Mr. Stanley Rileson.—Mr. H. Dixon (churchwarden) and the visitors replied, and the secretary read a letter from Mr. Drury (Vicar's warden), expressing his regret that he and Mrs. Drury were unable to come owing to absence from home.

NUNEATON SOCIETY.

On Saturday, June 24th, the members of the above society, with friends and relatives, including Mr. J. H. White and Mr. O. J. Hunt, of Coventry, had their annual outing to the Lutterworth area, permission having been previously obtained to ring the bells of Bitteswell, Gilmorton and Monk's Kirby Churches. Bitteswell was reached about 2.45. Owing to a case of serious illness near the church, permission to ring had to be withdrawn. Proceeding to Gilmorton, which was reached about 3.45, the party were received and given a hearty welcome by the Rector, the Rev. S. G. Lloyd. During the time the ringers were in the church the ladies of the party accepted and enjoyed the invitation of the Rector to walk round the Rectory garden. The ringing here included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Double Norwich Court Bob Major and Superlative Surprise. In thanking the Rector for his kind permission to ring, the visitors remarked on the handy little peal of bells he possessed. The party were assured by the Rector it was a real pleasure for him to give permission, especially as the band knew how to ring them.

Lutterworth was next visited, but owing to a garden fete taking place in the Rectory grounds ringing could not take place.

Monk's Kirby was reached, and after tea the bells (dubbed by a ringer of some repute as the best in the country) were soon pealing forth in Grandsire Triples, followed by Stedman Triples Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Major, all of which were successfully brought round. The falling of the bells in peal brought the tower ringing to a close, after which the handbells were brought into use until time arrived to 'pack up,' Nuneaton being reached safely about 10.15 p.m.

The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the various incumbents for the use of their bells, and also several friends who helped by their presence and assistance to make the outing a complete success.

On Saturday, July 1st the ringers of Bishop Ryder's, Birmingham, had their annual outing to Kinver. Permission to ring having been obtained from the Vicar, the party were met at the tower by H. Lee, one of the local band. The bells were raised in peal, and kept going for more than two hours. Touches attempted in the following methods were brought round: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Superlative, Cambridge, London and Bristol.

Several members of the Worcestershire Association, with their wives, joined in with the Ryders.—The Rev. Canon G. E. Badger, who presided at the tea, briefly welcomed the visitors and referred to the fact that their own bells were now out of order, and hoped that they would soon be restored again.—Mr. J. George also welcomed the visitors, and thanked the Vicar of Kinver for the use of the bells.—Mr. A. E. Parsons, on behalf of the non-Ryders, expressed his thanks for the opportunity given them of joining with the Ryders.

HITCHIN SOCIETY.

The Hitchin ringers held an outing on Saturday, June 24th, the members of the company, with their wives and friends about 20 in number, making a tour by charabanc, and visiting some of the towers in Bedfordshire. Starting at 11 a.m., the first call was made at the village of Old Warden. The bells (6) were raised, and a short touch of Oxford Treble Bob was brought round. The next place to be visited was Cardington, where touches of Double Norwich and Bob Major were rung. A halt was made at Bedford for dinner. No ringing was available owing to the serious illness of the Canon.

Woburn was visited next, and here they met members of the Bedfordshire Association, who happened to be holding their summer ringing festival. It was only possible to ring a course of Double Norwich, which was just sufficient to find how splendid the bells go there. At Leighton Buzzard the party were met by Mr. Nicholls, of the local band, who had most kindly arranged tea. After tea the tower was visited, and after touches of Double Norwich and Kent Treble Bob on the back eight, the party succeeded in getting a course of Bob Royal on the full number. Dunstable was the last call, and a most enjoyable time was spent on this splendid ring of eight, and touches of Double Norwich, Stedman and Kent Treble Bob were brought home, in addition to a course of Superlative.

The ringers desire to thank the clergy of the various churches visited for the use of the bells, and to Mr. Sharman, hon. secretary of the Bedfordshire Association, and to Mr. Nicholls for kindnesses rendered in the course of their meeting.

### BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The annual summer festival was held at Woburn, on Saturday, June 24th, and proved most successful. Members were present from Bedford St. Paul's and St. Peter's, Bromham, Clapham, Eynsbury, Turvey, Stagden, Luton, Linslade, Tring, Aspley Guise, Hasborne, Crawley and Dunstable.

The bells, a magnificent ring by Mears and Stainbank, were kept busy from 2.30 in a number of methods, from Grandsire Triples to London Surprise Major, London being rung for the first time at one of these meetings. The striking in the Surprise Major methods was excellent, and shows what promising young ringers there are to be found in the country districts. At 4.15 a short service was held, which was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. V. G. White).—Hearty votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar and organist, and for the local men for the arrangements they had made, and were passed with acclamation.

Barton-le-Cley was selected for the next meeting, on July 15th, provided the necessary permission is granted. The tower was again visited, and further ringing took place until 8 p.m.

### CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. STOCKPORT BRANCH.

Barbage, an outpost of the Guild, was the scene of a branch meeting, on Saturday, June 17th. About 60 members and friends were present.

The Rev. J. Hewitson (Vicar) conducted the service and preached a most impressive sermon, at the commencement of which he gave all a most cordial welcome.

The usual business meeting followed, with Mr. J. H. Jackson in the chair.—Mr. W. Gordon, on behalf of his brother springs expressed their hearty appreciation of the cordial welcome extended to them, and their thanks to the Vicar for his address.—In his reply, the Vicar said he thought it was he who ought to move a vote of thanks to the ringers for coming; and he hoped they would not let so long a time elapse before they came again, the last meeting being in 1913.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and passed, one new member being elected, and Northenden fixed as the place of the next meeting.

The Hon. Secretary reminded the members of the forthcoming annual festival to be held at Lymm on August Bank Holiday.

Ringling commenced at 2.30 p.m., the bells are a handy ring of six (tenor 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  cwt.), by Taylor, and the methods ranged from Grandsire Doubles, by 'Ye Belles of Ashton,' to London Surprise, by 'Ye Beaus of other places.'

### CAMBRIDGE ROYAL.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—The peal of Cambridge Royal in last week's 'Ringing World' was composed by me in 1910, and rung at St. Stephen's, Bristol, on September 3rd, 1912.—Vide Gloucester and Bristol report, No. 907.

H. LAW JAMES.

### A CORRECTION.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies desires to point out that the report of his motion, at the Central Council meeting, should read as follows, viz.: 'Produced figures to prove that the two halves of the ten-part do not, and that those of the six-part do begin at the same place.'

### COOMBE-IN-TEIGNHEAD BELLS.

The peal of six bells at Coombe-in-Teignhead, near Teignmouth, has this week been restored and hung on modern fittings, including patent adjustable bearings, by the well-known West of England firm, Messrs. Aggett and Sons, Bell Works, Chafford. The bells were tested on Friday evening by the firm and the Coombe Guild of Ringers, and all were well pleased with the improved tone of the clappers and 'go' of the bells. The opening service of these bells will take place on July 20th, at 3 o'clock. Ringers are welcome.

Messrs. Aggett are commencing this week the restoration of the peal at Slapton, near Kingsbridge.

### FALSE COMPOSITIONS IN C.C. COLLECTION.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I shall be glad if you will kindly point out that the following peals in the C.C. Collection are false:—

- No. 167. Bob Major, by Henry Dains.
- No. 21. Bob Royal, by Henry Dains.
- No. 21. Bob Royal, by Henry Dains (Variation).
- No. 1. Double Oxford Major, by Henry Dains.
- No. 2. Bob Major, by John Carter, will run only 4,032 changes, and not 8,064, as stated in the Collection.
- Double Norwich, Section 3, Group 2.
- No. 30. 5184 by Henry Dains, is true as 5,184, but if reduced to 5,072 will repeat at the 4th lead.
- No. 73. 5,120, by Henry Dains, is true as 5,120, but if reduced to 5,008 will repeat at the 4th lead.
- No. 65. 5,040, by W. Royle, is false, as published in the Collection, and should read as follows:—

5,040 by W. ROYLE.

23456	1	4	6
32654	—	—	—
26354	—	—	—
63254	—	—	—
52364	—	—	—
23564	—	—	—
35264	—	—	—
62534	—	—	—
25634	—	—	—
36524	—	—	—

Repeat four times.

Yours faithfully, GEORGE H. CROSS.

39, Winter Road, Norwich, 3rd July, 1922.

### CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Page, in your last issue, concerning the authorship of the 5,040 Cambridge Royal, I composed this peal in 1908, and called it at St. Sepulchre's, Holborn, on January 29th, 1911. The figures appear in the Middlesex Association report of that year.—Yours truly,

W. PYLE.

### NOT WORTH PRINTING?

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—I have the Council Treble Bob Collection on loan. It contains several peals—new to me—without the second in sixth's at course end, which I appreciate. The committee have spent a lot of time and trouble in compiling it, and I am sure all who examine it will be grateful to Miss Parker for typing it.

But I think the circulation of the collection will show it is not worth printing.

1 to 39 are old five part peals, or practically so, and I should think everyone has enough of them.

40 to 59 are three part peals of no merit.

57 to 59, with seven courses in a part, and 99 to 109 with the same and more, part the tenors altogether too much.

100 is 5858, 101 is 5952, 134 is 6720, and 135 is 7968, and I do not suppose anyone will ever ring them or any similar.

I am sure all conductors are grateful to composers, but it is no use publishing peals that will not ever be rung; and if the Central Council will start on a good Treble Bob Peal Collection—which is wanted—they had best have a conductor to edit the collection.—Yours truly,

FRED R. BORRETT.

Pulham Market, Harleston, June 23rd, 1922.

### SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Central Division was held at Cuckfield on Saturday, June 24th, by invitation, the numbers present being 31. The Edmington ringers, who were on their outing to Brighton, also joined in the ringing in the afternoon. At 4.30 a short service was held in church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Canon C. W. G. Wilson). A collection was taken for the benevolent fund, and amounted to 7s. 2d. Tea (which had been provided by the kindness of local friends) was much appreciated. The usual business meeting followed, and the election of Mr. Alec. Richardson (Tunbridge Wells) and Mr. W. E. Maulden (Framlingham, Suffolk), as non-resident members, was confirmed.—Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for his kind invitation to Cuckfield, the use of the bells, and his instructive address; to the organist; and to all those kind friends who had provided tea, and the ladies who waited upon them. The tower was again visited until about 8 o'clock. The methods rung ranged from Grandsire to Surprise. The following towers were represented: Balcombe, Bolney, Brighton (St. Peter's), Crawley, Cuckfield, Hurstpierpoint, Lindfield, Southover (Lewes), Twinham, and independent members.

**RECORD LENGTHS, &c.***To the Editor.*

Sir,—It is a great pity to think so much of your valuable space should be utilised for letters which amount almost to personal, and which have no interest whatever to the average reader of 'The Ringing World,' the tone of some of them being very painful reading, and quite contrary to the friendly feeling that exists generally amongst brother ringers.

To mention only one—Record peals I have always understood was a performance to eclipse in length a previous record; therefore, why all this quibbling about weights of tenors?

When a band is intent on ringing a record length, if I know anything about it, they choose the best going ring available, be they heavy or light; therefore, it would be much more interesting to the Exercise at large if those who think the present record, 21,363, at Appleton, is not to their satisfaction (instead of trying to belittle it) to get a tower and band and ring a longer length.

I am not a long peal ringer, but will guarantee, if attempted, it will be on a tip-top going ring, but my little experience teaches me that the lightest bells are not always the easiest.

West End, near Southampton.

GEORGE WILLIAMS.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A mid-week practice meeting of the North and East District was held at Finchley on Thursday, June 22nd, about 20 members attending from Willesden, Hornsey, Gospel Oak, Walthamstow, etc. The bells were made much use of from shortly after 7 o'clock until 9.45, amongst the many methods practised being Plain Bob Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court and Cambridge Surprise Minor and Stodman Doubles. The next meeting of this series will be held at Northaw, on Thursday, July 20th, and members are reminded of the meeting to take place at Willesden on Saturday, July 8th, at which it is hoped a good muster will be present.

**CHERITON.**

Ringers going to Folkestone should visit the picturesque little church of St. Martin's, Cheriton, where they will find a peal of six (tenor  $7\frac{1}{2}$  cwt.), and a hearty welcome by the band of local ringers.

Practice is on alternate Wednesdays and Thursdays, and the writer had the pleasure of assisting the local men with several touches of Plain Bob Minor, including 720 in the method on Thursday, 29th June, in 25 minutes, by the following: F. Slingsby 1, H. Beal 2, G. L. Joyce 3, A. Higgins 4, S. Baker 5, C. Turner 6. Conducted by C. Turner, of Dover.

**THE APPLETON LONG PEAL.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—It seems to me, and I think to some others, that Mr. Pye misses the main point of long peal ringing. From his letter one would imagine it to be merely a matter of physical endurance. This, of course, is necessary, but to my mind the great point in a long peal is the mental endurance of both the conductor and the ringers for so many hours. A long peal is, in my opinion, as nearly superior to an ordinary 5,000, as one of Mr. Morris' 'tapped' London Surprise peals is to a peal of London, rung by eight men.

I have no wish to enter into a paper war, and have said all that I intend to say.—I am, yours truly,

GEORGE H. PHILLOTT.

**MARRIAGE OF MR. H. D. L. PATERSON.**

On the occasion of the marriage of Mr. H. D. L. Paterson with Miss Vera Kinneir, at Holy Trinity Parish Church, Brompton, London, S.W., on Thursday, June 29th, the bells of the Parish Church, Swindon, were rung during the afternoon and evening in touches of Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Superlative by E. Bishop, C. J. Gardener (conductor), S. Palmer, R. W. Hyner, G. W. Townsend, W. G. Lancaster, H. A. Hearl, A. Bond, A. E. W. Smith and J. H. Shepherd.

The bride's father and grandfather before him, have been partners in the leading firm of solicitors in the district, and have taken prominent parts in the affairs of the town, on many occasions filling the office of churchwardens, and have always been strong supporters and generous benefactors to the church.

**FALSE PEAL OF BOB ROYAL.***To the Editor.*

Sir,—A few weeks ago you published a letter from a reader re false peal of Bob Royal in C.C. Collection. That peal, when found to be false (after being rung) was fully published in 'Bell News.' It is a pity it has been overlooked. In case the following peals have not been duly noted as being false I am sending particulars which I hope you will be good enough to publish. They are all in Snowden's Double Norwich Book, and are all the compositions of H. Dains.

—Yours truly,

JOHN BEAMS.

5088 ... ..	Page 24
8448 ... ..	Page 28
5024 ... ..	Page 30
5008 ... ..	Page 38—2nd peal
5008 ... ..	Page 39

West Ewell, Surrey, July 3rd, 1922.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,****LOUGHBOROUGH.****THE****LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,

32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.



ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

for

Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.

HANDBELLS

In Sets of any number.

BELL ROPES. MUFFLES, &c.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

(Continued from Page 411.)

### HOLT'S PEALS OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

When the Council resumed after the luncheon interval it proceeded to consider the notice upon the agenda, 'to call attention to a point in Holt's peals of Grandsire Triples.' The Rev. C. D. P. Davies, who had put this matter on the agenda, said it referred to Holt's ten-part or six-part peals, and some comments in the second edition of Snowden's 'Grandsire.' It was only recently these comments had come to his notice, as he had been in the habit of using the first edition, and had not seen the second edition. In Mr. Thompson's paper it was stated 'We now see at a glance that the former (the ten-part peal) is symmetrical about the dividing line, and that the latter (the six-part) is not so. We do not see anything wrong on page 78, and do not understand the criticisms on page 165.' Page 78, explained Mr. Davies, contained a table of the calling of the two halves of Holt's ten-part drawn up by Snowden, and on page 165, he (Mr. Davies) showed where the starting points of the two halves were, and added that his explanation served to clear up the little mistake into which Mr. Jasper Snowden had fallen, which consisted in thinking that the two halves started from the same place, whereas the first half started from a point marked A, and the second half from B (and not from the same point). He wanted to try and make this matter plain, and had written out the actual changes for the Council's inspection. It was not a matter of opinion, but a matter of fact. Where he thought Mr. Thompson got wrong was that he used symbols. He said, 'Let a load of Grandsire equal X,' and then went on to play with X, the end of it being that the X came out upside down (laughter). It was not the first time he had found a mathematician in error. They treated symbols as if the symbols were the things themselves. He suggested before the discussion went further that the figures he had copied out should be passed round for examination, and the matter debated at a later stage.

This course was adopted, and later the Council returned to the subject.

Mr. J. W. Parker said the extent in Triples with two hunts could always be rung direct where the lead ends or division ends were even, and in composing a peal in two halves they generally composed it direct; but in joining the halves by singles (or other means) as in Stedman Triples, immediately they went from one half to the other they began to ring the second half backward, although they got exactly the same changes. He believed, however, in Grandsire Triples when they got out their two half peals they could not reverse one of the halves, because if they did the plain places would come first, and the bob places would come after. The effect was that they would get quite different changes. Holt's singles did not reverse the half peals, but simply shunted on to another even lead-end by making a single change only instead of a triple change. If that were the case, why did Mr. Davies in his figures show the first half going one way and the second half going in the opposite direction if the second half were not the reverse?

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies said what Mr. Parker had brought forward was no doubt an interesting question, but it was absolutely different to the question which he (Mr. Davies) had brought forward, which was a question of fact: Did the two halves of Holt's ten-part start from the same place, or did they not? He maintained that they did not.

The Rev. H. Law James said Mr. Davies and Mr. Parker were both right, although it looked on the face of it as if they were contradicting each other. If they used Holt's singles the bob places came up in reverse order. It was perfectly true, if they did what Mr. Parker said, and called an ordinary single, that the changes would run up backward from 132 to the last single. The bobs would be made after the treble led, and the plain places when the treble came to lead: the changes would run up backwards in the second half peals, and the bobs would be in the same order, and he was very anxious to ring a peal like that (laughter).

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies: What method would the last half be? I say it would not be Grandsire.

The Rev. H. Law James: Then if you stand on your head on the table you are not Mr. Davies? (loud laughter).

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies: I should very soon be a sick Mr. Davies (laughter).

No resolution was passed, and the subject then dropped.

### THE USE AND CARE OF BELLS.

The Rev. H. Drake moved:—

'That the Council draw up a card of instructions on the Care and Use of Bells suitable for hanging in a Tower.'

His object, he said, was to provide concise instructions for those in charge of bells who were not in the habit of taking care to keep the bells in good condition. His suggestion was that the Council should draw up a card of instructions for the care and use of the bells, so that it could be hung in the belfry, just as they now found ecclesiastical insurance societies' cards hung upon organs. People ought to be made to understand that it was really a criminal thing to 'clock' a bell: and that the public ought not to have to

suffer the ringing of a single bell for too long a time. A single bell ought not to be rung for more than three minutes, although it was often the practice to ring a single bell for ten minutes. It was on account of the annoyance which people got from this kind of thing that they objected to ringing altogether, and objected to change ringing. If the Council could do a sort of missionary work in this way it might be the means of getting more bells hung in the churches. Often people did not trouble about getting more bells because it had never been put into their heads, but if they had a card hanging up where it could be seen, they might sometimes think about having a peal of bells introduced into their church, and the bells would be kept in better order. He proposed that the Council draw up such a card and hang it in every church in the country where there were bells.

Canon Elsec, who seconded, emphasised the desirability of warning those responsible for bells of the danger of 'clocking,' and said that concise instructions, clearly printed, would be of service in many towers.

The Chairman (Alderman Pritchett) suggested that if the resolution found favour it should be amended, so that the Council instruct the Standing Committee or some other committee to draw up the card of instructions.

Mr. W. Willson said this was a matter more for individual associations. The Council would have to print some ten thousand cards for all the churches in Great Britain, and saddle themselves with great expense. Why should they do so? The associations could deal with this matter better than the Council. At the same time he appreciated the spirit in which the motion was brought forward.

Mr. A. E. Parsons said he did not take it the Council were to bear the expense. The motion was simply that the Council draw up a card of instructions. It would, he thought, be for the Council to issue them.

Mr. Willson: If the Council assumes the authority it will have to bear the expense.

Mr. W. A. Cave said there was already an excellent card of instructions, drawn up by one of the bell hanging firms, which was left in every tower where they rehung the bells. He thought it was a question for the bell founders, and he thought it would mean business for them.

Mr. James George asked why the Council should interest themselves in the one-bell question at churches they never went into!

The Rev. F. L. Edwards said one of the principal ideas was to get uniformity throughout the country. The cards issued by the different founders only got into the towers where rehanging or restoration took place. The value of the resolution before them was that it should interest the towers throughout the country. He suggested that the resolution be altered to the effect that the Standing Committee be instructed to make a draft of such instructions and submit it to the next meeting, when they could discuss the question whether it was advisable to take any steps for its printing and distribution in conjunction with the different Guilds and Associations.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies, who supported the resolution, said the speaker who referred to their requiring ten thousand copies was very wide of the mark. He thought a thousand copies would last them three or four years. He believed the bell founders would be glad to see issued a card which had the authority of the Council. The Council could very well charge for the cards, and so reimburse themselves.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn suggested that the three bell founders who were members of the Council should draw up the card. They were experts, and their advice would be most valuable.

Mr. C. F. Johnston said the bell founders would welcome a move on the part of the Council to try and impress upon church authorities that they should keep their bells in proper order. He had no doubt the founders interested would be willing to lend a hand in framing the instructions.

Mr. Pryce Taylor said his firm had for years issued a card of instructions with regard to the use and care of bells. They, however, only reached the towers where they carried out restorations.

The Chairman thought it would be most useful to have a card issued under the auspices of the Council which could be hung in towers where there were peals of bells. He thought the draft might be settled by the Standing Committee in consultation with the three bell founders.

The resolution was carried, with two dissentients.

#### AFFILIATION TO ONE SOCIETY.

The Rev. H. Drake next moved:—

'That every Tower should be officially affiliated to some one Society, and only one.'

This resolution, he said, was a corollary to the previous one, and the reason he had proposed it was that each association should be responsible for the towers in its area where there was no ringing. At present, associations only had to do with churches where there were ringers, and what they ought to do was to get into touch with the authorities of the towers where there were no ringers. He believed the whole country could be mapped out so that each association had a certain number of towers to look after. Perhaps he had not worded his resolution in the best possible way, for the Editor

of the 'Ringing World' seemed to have put a wrong interpretation upon it. It was not in his mind that each tower where, at the present time, there were two associations ringing should decide which of these associations should be considered the official association of that tower. What he desired to see was that towers not affiliated to an association should be looked after by the association in whose area they stood. With regard to those towers where there was no ringing, or only one bell, and where only one association covered the area there would be no difficulty. Where there were two associations he suggested they could meet and map out the areas for which each should be responsible. If a card on the care and use of bells was to be hung up in the towers, each association would be responsible for seeing that it was in the towers in its area. Such a scheme would also be useful to enable associations to keep a look out for proposals to install tubular bells, and in cases where there was a question whether a tower was strong enough to hold a peal of bells, the authorities would know to what organisation they could appeal.

Mr. C. Mee seconded.

The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, having pointed out that nothing had been said about towers with two, three, four or five bells, expressed the opinion that associations could not interfere in towers which were not in union with them. They must come into union before an association could have any locus standi at all, otherwise the parson might tell them he did not want their interference.

The Chairman said he hardly thought this was a resolution it would be wise to carry, because they could not enforce it. Inconvenience might arise as to what association a tower belonged to. It occurred some years ago in his own tower at King's Norton. The tower used to be in the Worcestershire Association, but ten years ago King's Norton was taken into Birmingham, and when the diocese of Birmingham was formed the ringing association became the Birmingham Diocesan Guild. The question then arose, were they to subscribe to Birmingham or continue their subscription to the Worcestershire Association? The resolution before them was, he thought, impracticable. They must allow these things to adjust themselves as best they could.

The motion on being put was defeated by a large majority.

(To be continued.)

#### YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the Northern Division was held at Ripon, on Saturday, June 17th, and by kind permission of the Rev. C. M. Owen, Dean of Ripon, the beautiful bells of the Cathedral were kept going throughout the day. The meeting was well attended, ringers being present from Leeds, Bradford, Thornaby, Scarborough, Saltburn, Tanfield, Sharow, Pickering, and members of the local company.

The Cathedral is a noble Gothic pile full of historic interest and architectural charm. Adding to the numerous pleasures of the day was a full choral service in the nave of the Minster. The Dean gave a helpful and inspiring address, and wished the ringers good luck in their work.

A business meeting was held in the Cathedral hall, the Rev. E. Drage, vice-president, being in the chair.—In addressing the meeting, the Chairman spoke of the friendly way in which Mr. Single and his band had welcomed the visiting ringers in their tower. Later in the meeting Mr. Single was enrolled a member of the association.

It was decided to give notice of a proposition, to be brought up at the annual meeting of the association, stating that June, and not January, should be the date of the annual meeting of the Northern Division.

Malton was the place chosen for the next meeting, in October, and it was proposed that the quarterly meetings of the Northern Division be held on the third Saturday in the month so as not to clash with the meetings of the other Divisions of the Association.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Dean, Mr. Single, and members of the local band, for their kindly welcome.

#### HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

##### BRIDGNORTH BRANCH.

A quarterly meeting of the above branch was held at Worfield, near Bridgnorth, on Saturday, June 10th. Members and a few friends, numbering about 30, attended. The following towers were represented: Bridgnorth, St. Leonard's and St. Mary's, Quatt, Stockton, Worfield and Coalbrookdale. The methods rung were Grandire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Minor.

After tea the meeting was held, and the Rev. J. Roper, of Quatt, presided. The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.—A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar (the Rev. A. E. Barrow) for the use of the bells.—It was decided to hold the quarterly meeting at Quatt early in September.—A vote of thanks was passed to Mrs. Burrows for the splendid tea.—The meeting also expressed great pleasure at seeing their Ringing Master Mr. J. Overton, with them, also Mr. W. Saunders, of Coalbrookdale, after their long turn of illness.—The ringers then adjourned to the tower, where ringing continued to 7.30.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.



## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE AND DISTRICT BRANCH.

The usual monthly meeting of this branch was held at Berkeley on Saturday last. Over 40 members attended from the following parishes: Berkeley, Dursley, Olveston, Thornbury, Wotton-under-Edge, Stone, Coaley, Stinchcombe, St. James', St. Phillips' and St. Thomas', Bristol. The Master of the Association, Mr. H. T. Howell, was present. Amongst the visitors were Mrs. R. J. Wilkins, Mrs. W. A. Cave, Miss A. Brown and Mr. C. H. Jennings, of Wyke Regis, hon. secretary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild. The bells (10) were made good use of during the afternoon and evening. Methods rung included Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Bob Royal and Cambridge Surprise Major. Special service was held, the Vicar (the Rev. H. C. Armour) conducting. After the service, the Vicar unveiled a peal board in the tower recording a peal of Grandsire Caters rung by ex-Servicemen overseas members of the association. Before unveiling the board, the Vicar said he wished to thank those who took part in the peal for honouring their fallen comrades, by ringing the peal. Also he wished publicly to thank Mr. Sidney Loxton for so generously presenting the board to the association, and he was very pleased to have it placed in the tower. The board records the following:—'Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.—On Saturday, August 20th, 1921, in 3 hours 11 minutes, in this tower, a peal of Grandsire Caters (5,039 changes) was rung by overseas ex-soldier members selected from branches of the above association: W. A. Cave (Bristol) 1, Charles H. Auston (Gloucester) 2, Jesse B. Tyler (Bristol) 3, Fredk. Oakhill (Wotton-under-Edge) 4, Sidney R. Hicks (Cirencester) 5, Henry Smith (Stroud) 6, Alfred G. Hanniss (Gloucester) 7, Sidney M. Loxton (Cirencester) 8, John F. Ballinger (Cheltenham) 9, William Ireland (Stroud) 10. Tenor 24 cwt. Composed by John Carter. Conducted by William A. Cave (past Master). First peal upon the ten bells. The two trebles were given by members as a memorial to their brother members who fell in the great war, 1914-1918.—Vicar, Rev. H. C. Armour.'

After tea, the Vicar presided over a short business meeting.—Votes of thanks to the Vicar for granting the use of the bells, and for his remarks in the tower, were proposed by Mr. W. A. Cave, and seconded by Mr. F. Oakhill.—The Vicar, in responding, said he was always pleased to welcome the association to Berkeley, and remarked how pleased he was to see so many young members amongst the company.—Mr. C. H. Jennings, of Weymouth, in responding to a vote of thanks to the visitors, said he was pleased to be able to be with them that day, and assured them that if any of them were visiting his district he should be most pleased to give them a good time.

## BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting was held at Monk Bretton, on Saturday, June 17th. The bells were rung in a wide variety of methods, from 2.15 till 8.45 p.m.—The Rev. Father Mercer (Vicar) attended the business meeting, and addressed the members on the religion of the bells, his soul-stirring words being greatly appreciated.—A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for his address, and the hope was expressed that such meetings would be held more frequently. A similar vote was accorded to the ladies and Mr. Richardson, the local captain, for the arrangements made for the visitors. Wortley was chosen as the next meeting-place, to be held on Saturday, July 8th.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 17th, a peal of Stedman Triples was attempted at Christ Church, Jarrow-on-Tyne, but was lost after 24 hours, owing to the 5th bell slipping her rope. It is about two years since the two trebles were added and the bells rehung, but they were never a satisfactory job. Mr. Brewis, the leader of the local ringers, with his good wife and daughter, very kindly provided tea, and the band tendered their warm thanks to their kind host and hostesses.

## WESTERN DIVISION.

A meeting of the above Division was held at Tanfield, on Saturday, June 24th, twenty members, including two ladies, being present from the following towers: Consett, Darlington, Chester-le-Street, Gateshead, Houghton-le-Spring, Newcastle Cathedral, and Tanfield.

Good practice was made in Grandsire, Plain Bob and Stedman Triples, and Plain Bob and Treble Bob Major.—The Rev. A. W. Lister, curate of Tanfield, was in the chair.—A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar of Tanfield (Canon Archdale) for the use of the bells and for his kindness in throwing open his garden, and for his kindly hospitality to the older ringers. Also hearty thanks were tendered to Mr. Harry Tyson, divisional secretary, for his trouble in making arrangements for the meeting.—Regret was expressed that Mr. Lourey, of Newburn-on-Tyne, the divisional vice-president, was unable to be present.

## CAMPANOLOGY AT ANSTON.

## BOY'S REMARKABLE FEAT.

Anston bell ringers have always set before them a lofty ideal, and on Tuesday, June 13th, they added yet another triumph to their already commendable record by ringing Mr. W. Allwood's 'principle' with 81 bobs.

The most remarkable feature in this event, however, is the fact that this peal was conducted throughout by Gordon Turner, aged 12 years. The boy's father is a ringer, and occasionally the boy has visited the tower with his father, and in this way seems to have acquired a complete mastery of the technique of ringing. He has previously conducted some of the simpler peals, such as 'Anston Surprise,' 'Silver Star,' 'Anabel's London,' Cambridge Surprise, etc. The conducting of this 'principle,' however, is an extraordinary feat for one so young, and we heartily congratulate the boy on his performance, and the Anston campanologists on having discovered such a prodigy. We append the peal as follows:—

No. 2.	No. 2.	Nov., 1921.
123456	720	
214365	12345 in B O	
213456		
124365	14523 — — —	
	51342 — — —	
214635	35214 — — —	
126453	31452 — — —	
124635	43215 — — —	
216453 in		
	41532 — — —	
261543	54213 — — —	
625134	25341 — — —	
265314	32154 — — —	
623541 Before	13425 — — —	
632451	Repeat twice.	
364215		
634125		
361452 out		
316542		
135624		
136542		
315624		
135264	Fourth Place Bob	
312546	example W.A.	
315264		
132546	216453 in	
123456	261435	

Mar. 19 1922.

## 5,040 STEDMAN TRIPLES.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I shall be obliged if you will kindly insert the following composition of Stedman Triples in 'The Ringing World':—

Although it is arranged in six parts, no doubt it will be found perhaps the most difficult peal of Stedman Triples yet obtained (with two singles only) to conduct, as it contains 585 calls, and there is no fixed bell home at each course end.

The bobs are chiefly even with a sprinkling of odd bobs.

Thanking you in anticipation.—Yours faithfully,

A. J. PITMAN.

2314567	2314576
2316547 S 1 2 3 4 5 6 8 9	5234761 S 1 2 7 8 10
2716534 1 2 3 4 6 7 9 10	5341726 1 3 4 5 6 10
4236571 1 4 5 6 7 9 10	5721634 1 3 6 7 9 10
5236741 2 4 5 7 8 9 10	5421673 1 2 3 4 6 7 9 10
1236754 1 2 4 5 7 8 9 10	5321647 1 2 3 4 6 7 9 10
4263715 1 2 4 5 7 8 9 10	5361742 2 3 5 6 7 8 10
4735162 2 3 4 5 6 9 10	5321764 1 3 4 5 6 7 8 10
2435167 1 2 4 5 7 9 10	5321476 2 3 5 6 7 8 9 10
2735146 1 2 3 4 6 7 9 10	5214736 3 4 5 6 10
6735124 1 2 4 5 7 8 9 10	5264713 1 3 4 5 6 7 8 10
6427153 1 2 4 8 10	3574621 1 6 7 8 10
6437125 1 3 4 5 6 7 8 10	3725614 1 3 4 6 7 9
5427361 1 5 6 7 8 9 10	4713652 1 4 5 6 8 9
*243765 2 3 5	4712635 1 2 3 4 5 6 8 9
*Six sixes only.	52143756 1 2 3

Repeat twice with bob for single produces 2 3 1 4 5 7 6.

This composition is the first on this plan, with only two singles.

Four sixes only.  
Repeat twice with bob for single produces round.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**CIRENCESTER, GLOS.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for the annual Hymn Festival, at the Parish Church of St. John the Baptist, a quarter-peat of Grandsire Caters (1,277 changes), composed by R. F. Deal, and recently published in the 'Ringing World': W. Hayward 1, F. W. Bond 2, H. Lewis 3, J. King 4, W. G. Cook 5, J. Butler (conductor) 6, F. J. Lewis 7, R. G. Rice 8, H. C. Bond 9, J. Hayward 10.

**OXFORD.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for evening service, at St. Ebbe Parish Church, 720 Plain Bob: W. H. B. Wilkins (conductor) 1, W. Harris 2, H. Tolley 3, F. Leckell 4, F. Clinkard 5, F. A. Darby 6. First 720 by F. A. Darby, who hails from Beddington, Surrey, on a visit here.

**PENARTH.**—At St. Augustine's, on Sunday, June 25th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor, in 23 mins.: S. Dawe (conductor) 1, F. Bartlett 2, D. Thomas 3, C. O. Hobbs 4, H. Burcombe 5, J. P. Hyett 6. Also two six-scores Grandsire Doubles: I. Vaughan 1, C. O. Hobbs 2, J. Jones 3, S. Dawe 4, J. P. Hyett (conductor) 5, A. Weaver 6. Mr. Hyett hails from Hay, Herefordshire.

**ARMLEY, YORKSHIRE.**—On Sunday, June 25th for morning service, 576 Treble Bob Major: Arthur Cobdrick 1, Pollard Whiteley 2, James Hey 3, Fred Blacketh 4, Harry Blacketh 5, Alfred Windsor 6, John Thackray (conductor) 7, Joseph Thackray 8. The ringer of the 5th has only learnt bell ringing this year.

**MARKET HARBOUROUGH.**—The following Sunday Service ringers rang a 720 of Bob Minor on the back six of the octave on Sunday, June 25th, for evening service: Stanley Richardson 1, W. Wallington 2, Ernest S. Cotton 3, Arthur Manning 4, Fred Wallington 5, Wm. Hector (conductor) 6.

**ACTON.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, June 25th, on the occasion of the Mayor and Corporation's special attendance, courses of Kent Treble Bob Major, Stedman Triples and Plain Bob Major were rung by the following: H. Belcher, S. D. Breeze, E. W. Coulson, C. Edwards, Robt. Fardon, Robt. Holloway, H. Wincote, C. Brown.

**HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.**—On Sunday, for evening service, on June 25th (1,083 changes) of Stedman Caters: R. Coles 1, F. Hayes 2, F. Boxall 3, J. W. Wilkins (composer and conductor) 4, R. Hoing 5, J. Gransbury 6, E. Markham 7, E. Coles 8, S. Goodchild 9, E. Telling (Lechlade, Glos.) 10.

**FINCHINGFIELD.**—On Sunday evening, June 25th, 608 of Double Norwich was rung by the following: F. Wiseman 1, H. Cooper 2, G. Wiffin 3, B. W. Pettitt 4, A. Shuffelbotham (conductor) 5, S. Hale 6, S. Wilding 7, — Barker 8. Also 504 Grandsire Triples: E. Claydon 1, Miss E. Pettitt 2, B. Pettitt 3, S. Hale 4, B. Ridgwell 5, A. Shuffelbotham (conductor) 6, H. Smith 7, — Barker 8.

**CHIPPENHAM.**—For evening service, on Sunday, June 18th, at the Parish Church, Chippenham, a touch of Double Norwich (1,008 changes), was rung in 40 mins. by the following local band: A. Dale 1, E. Truman 2, F. Lambeth 3, R. Pearce 4, E. Perry 5, L. Ambrose 6, W. Hulbert 7, S. Wiltshire 8. Conducted by S. Wiltshire.

**NEWPORT, I.W.**—At St. Thomas Church, on Sunday, June 17th, for evensong, a quarter-peat of Stedman Triples, in 49 mins.: H. Barton (conductor) 1, W. Johnson 2, W. Scott, senr., 3, J. Bacon 4, A. Callaway 5, W. Scott, junr., 6, W. Upton 7, J. Leal 8. First quarter-peat of Stedman for the ringer of 4th.

**HITCHIN.**—At the Parish Church of St. Mary, for evensong, on Whit Sunday, a quarter-peat of Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 51 mins.: J. Haro 1, H. Elso 2, E. J. Newell 3, G. T. Croft 4, G. Wolfe 5, W. J. Croft 6, L. Fidler 7, H. E. Day (conductor) 8. First quarter-peat as conductor.

**MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.**—On Sunday morning June 11th, in 45 mins., a quarter-peat of Minor (1,260 changes), 120 Double Oxford, 240 Plain Bob, 60 Grandsire, 120 Canterbury Pleasure 240 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise: Fred A. Mitchell, H. Argent, G. R. Ambrose, Fred M. Mitchell (conductor), J. Burles, G. Morrar. First quarter by F. A. Mitchell.

## LATE NOTICES.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting of the Bristol branch will be held at Watley, on Saturday, July 15th, at 2 p.m. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, the Rev. P. H. Cogswell officiating. Tea at the New Inn, Westerleigh, 6 p.m. Please notify Branch Secretary by July 10th.—M. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., Easton, Bristol.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Sonning Branch.**—A combined practice will be held at Sandhurst on Saturday, July 15th, from 6 to 9 p.m.—J. White.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The Middlesex County Association Peal Books have been removed from St. Andrew's, Hillingdon, to St. Mary's, Acton.

The St. Mary's, Acton, Guild, gave another exhibition of 'Method Ringing' to a packed and appreciative audience at St. Paul's Church Hall, Ealing. A wish was expressed that they would pay another visit.

We are glad to learn that Mr. W. Willson, of Leicester, who has been ill with congestion of the lungs, is now recovering.

The ringer of the 7th in the peal of London, at Oxhey, was William G. Whitehead, not White, as stated in last week's issue.

Shipway's five-part peal of 5,120 Bob Major is false and there are several false peals in his book. Also the first peal of Stedman Caters rung by the College Youths (first ever rung, see Clavis) is false.—A. Knights, Chesterfield.

## 'STEDMAN SEXTUPLES.'

## THE BIRMINGHAM 14-BELL PEAL.

The handbell performance at Birmingham, where the first peal on fourteen bells was rung on June 24th, is not only unique, but is an achievement worthy of more than passing notice. Hitherto peals on twelve bells have been accepted as the limit of practical ringing, and, so far as tower bells are concerned, for the very good reason that this is the maximum number available in any one belfry. This restriction has not applied to handbells, but the limitation has been tacitly accepted, and it has been left to the band at Birmingham to break away from precedent.

Even for a company so well up in Stedman Cinques as this band is, the extension to two more bells is not an altogether easy matter, for while the method presents no difficulty the placing of the bells is the important thing, and to get a good beat and good striking is not quite the simple thing it may at first appear. For this reason the Analysis Committee of the Central Council will have carefully to consider the points to be awarded. The difficulties of 'rope sight' in going from ten to twelve are acknowledged to be greater than in going from eight to ten. The jump from twelve to fourteen is proportionately greater still, and this will doubtless be recognised by the committee when allocating the points.

As to the name that has been given, we think the designation is correct. The words Doubles and Triples are used for methods with continuous Double and Triple changes. On nine bells there are continuous quadruple changes, and on eleven quintuple changes, and although we use a corruption of French words ('Caters' and 'Cinques') in place of these expressions, 'sextuple' follows in the mathematical sequence, and should, we think, be used.

With regard to the peal itself, the composition of which we give below, it was splendidly rung, and it was not unfitting that the performance should have taken place in the historic belfry of St. Martin's where so much history in the Stedman method has been made. The ringing was faultless, and the long turning course of 228 changes in the middle was perfect. Altogether, the achievement is one upon which the band are to be congratulated, and upon which they may well pride themselves.

## 5,055 STEDMAN SEXTUPLES.

By JOHN CARTER.

2314567890xtx		55124638709tex
*2164537890xer		
213654	22	513264
214356	22	315462
412653	7 22	312584
413256	22	314265
314652	7 22	413562
312456	22	412385
316254	22	214563
316452	S7 22	213465
312654	22	213564
314256	22	312465
413652	7 22	315284
412356	22	314562
214653	7 22	413265
213456	22	412563
		214365
		Round at hand.

\* By bobs at 1, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20.

\$ By calls at 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 33, 35.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, June 20th, at Wormingford, Essex, a date touch of 1,922 changes, consisting of 1,562 of Plain Bob and 360 of Double Court Minor was rung in 1 hour 15 minutes, by the following band: G. Balls 1, A. Worth 2, G. Clarke 3, E. Leggett 4, A. Catterwell (conductor) 5, H. Warn 6. Longest touch by all except the conductor. Rung in honour of the home-coming of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.

## NOTICES.

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on July 20th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 11th; Southwark Cathedral on the 18th; \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 25th; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 27th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Hersham, Surrey, on Saturday, 8th July. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30 p.m. Tea in the Church House at 5 p.m.—W. A. Woodrow, Rydens Grove, Hersham (for Hon. Sec., Geo. Miles).

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Halewood on Saturday, July 8th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, Branch Sec., 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the Wellingborough District will be held at Irthlingborough on July 8th. It is hoped as many members as possible will attend. Usual arrangements.—F. Barber, Dis. Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at Charing on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short service at 5. Tea at 5.45, provided by the Vicar. Business meeting to follow. Half railway fares up to 2s. will be paid at this meeting.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Dist. Secretary, Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Melbourne on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available at 2 o'clock. At 4 o'clock there will be an opportunity for ringers and their friends to visit the Hall gardens. The committee will meet at 4.30 in the Church House. Tea has been arranged for 5.30 at the Blue Bell Inn, 2/6 per head. General meeting will follow tea.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Eye District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Thornham Magna on Saturday, July 8th. Towers of Wickham (6), Thornham (6), Thorndon (6), Yaxley (6) and Eye (8) will be open for ringing. Tea in Schoolroom at 5.30, provided by the Hon. Lord Henniker, who will preside. Members and others intending to be present please notify District Secretary.—H. Day, Bell Cottage, Eye, Suffolk.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Ranmore on Saturday, July 8th. Bells ready at 3 p.m.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dis. Sec., 47, Beddington Grove, Wallington.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Clifton, on Saturday, July 8th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—C. J. Ball, District Sec., Sandy.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Wortley, near Sheffield, Saturday, July 8th. Bells ready 2.30.—W. Wooler, New Lodge, Wortley, Sheffield.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Wells on Saturday, July 8th. Service in the Cathedral at 3 p.m. Meeting and tea to follow. The Cathedral bells will be available for two hours after the meeting and St. Cuthbert's both before the service and after the meeting.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Newton-le-Willows on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. Turn up in large numbers and make the meeting a success.—J. Halsall, Branch Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Hersham, on 8th July. Bells available from 3 p.m. No service at 4.30 p.m. as previously advertised. Tea in Church House 5 p.m.—W. A. Woodrow, Ryden's Grove, Hersham. (For G. Miles, Sec.)

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Willesden, on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5, followed by tea (at a small charge) and business meeting. All requiring tea please let me know.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**LONDON.**—**ST. CLEMENT'S YOUTHS.**—St. Clement Danes, Strand, W.C.—Practice every Wednesday, 6.30 till 8 o'clock. Ringing Sunday mornings, July 9th, 23rd, and 30th, 10 till eleven o'clock; also Sunday afternoon, July 9th, 2.15 till 3.15. Business meeting, Wednesday, July 26th, at 8 p.m.—F. W. H. Sergison, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly general meeting at St. Clement Danes on Monday, July 10th, at 6.30 p.m. Business meeting (important items) at 8.15 p.m. Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m. St. Clement's, July 24th. Sundays at 10 a.m.—St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Beddington, on Saturday, July 15th. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. at 1/- per head. Will members and friends please notify me by the 11th? All ringers welcome.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14A, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Twickenham on Saturday, July 15th, by permission of the Rev. Prebendary Prosser, M.A., and Churchwardens, who will entertain our members to tea. Ringing from 3 p.m. Kindly let me know by the 10th all who require tea.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The Annual Branch meeting will be held at Leyland, St. James', on July 15th; also a special meeting at Preston on July 22nd. Usual arrangements.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Edenham, on Saturday, July 15th. Bells available afternoon and evening. Tea provided at the Five Bells Inn, at 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me by July 11th, so that the necessary arrangements can be made.—S. Proctor, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

**ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at 'Abbey House,' Bury St. Edmunds, on Saturday, July 15th. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m. In the unavoidable absence of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, the sermon will be preached by the Archdeacon of Sudbury (President). Tea (provided by the President) at 'Abbey House' at 4.30. Meeting immediately afterwards. Cathedral bells (8) and St. Mary's (8) available all day.—Herbert Drake, Sec., Ufford, Woodbridge.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Rainham on Saturday, July 15th. Bells available from 3 to 9 p.m. The Association service at 5, conducted by the curate-in-charge (Rev. Walton). Tea in the Church Hall at 1/3 per head, followed by business meeting. In order to make proper provision, will all those who wish to partake of tea notify me not later than Tuesday, July 11?—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Aldington on Saturday, July 15th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea provided.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—The Annual meeting and election of officers will be held at Raunds on July 15th. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—J. Nickerson, Dist. Sec., Halford Street, Thrapston.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The Monthly meeting will be held at Worsley on Saturday, July 15th. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 o'clock. Will members please turn up and make this one a success?—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bispham (8 bells) on Saturday, July 15th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30. Visitors welcomed.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 32, Ormond Avenue, Blackpool, N.S.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at East Meon, on Saturday, July 15th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Tea at 5 o'clock for members who acquaint me by 12th. Business meeting after to receive representatives' report.—E. J. Harding, Dis. Sec., 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Luton District.—The next meeting will be held at Barton-le-Cley, on Saturday, July 15th. The bells (8) will be available from 3 p.m. Visitors heartily welcomed.—A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street North, Dunstable.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—A District meeting will be held at Cobham, on Saturday, July 15th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea and business meeting after.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Guilsborough District.—A Monthly meeting will be held at Clipstone, on Saturday, July 15th, usual arrangements. Will those requiring tea please notify me not later than 12th July?—W. Bott, Hon. Sec., Guilsborough.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A midweek meeting will be held at Northaw on Thursday, July 20th. Bells available from 7 to 9 p.m. Nearest stations, Potters Bar and Cuffley (G.N. Ry.) from King's Cross or Broad Street. A pleasant ride by cycle.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District. A meeting of the above will be held at New Romney on Saturday, July 22nd, by kind permission of the Rector, Rev. Hugh South, who also sends a cordial invitation to the members to take tea with him. Ringing to commence at 2.30. Ringers' service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Will members kindly notify me of their intention to be present not later than Tuesday, July 18th?—C. Tribe, Hon. Dist. Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.**—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Moorside, July 22nd. Bells not available on the 29th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting at 7.—Sam Booth, Hon. Sec., 134, Union Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Chilvers Coton, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available 3.30. Service in the Church 5.30. Tea and meeting afterwards; gentlemen invited. Names to be sent in not later than Wednesday, 19th, to Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual Festival will be held at Oxford, on Saturday, July 22nd (D.V.). Service in Cathedral 11.15, preacher, The Right Reverend Bishop Shaw. Business meeting in Chapter House immediately after service. Dinner in Christ Church dining hall at 1.30. Tickets 2/6 each to members, 3/- to non-members. Application for tickets to be made, accompanied by remittance to general Secretary, not later than Wednesday, July 19th.—Richard T. Hibbert, Hon. Sec., Warren House Lodge, St. Peter's Avenue, Caversham.

**SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL.**—The reopening of the Cathedral Bells, will take place on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 3 to 7 p.m. All ringers welcome.—W. Lomas, Sec., 4, Montgomery Terrace Road, Sheffield.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—A combined practice in Surprise methods only will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, July 22nd. Tower open at 3 p.m. Surprise ringers please note.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Mr. Albert Wright, Ivy Cottage, Pitchcombe, near Stroud, Glos, is the appointed Hon. Peal Secretary. Conductors of peals must send to him full particulars, fees and composition immediately peal has been rung.—Edgar Guise, General Hon. Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The reopening of Boyne Hill Bells, Maidenhead, will take place on August Bank Holiday. Evening service and tea, see further notice of details.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. William Pye has removed to 74, Cecil Road, Leytonstone, E.11.



**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

**'GRANDSIRE DOUBLES & TRIPLES SIMPLY EXPLAINED.'**—Intended for beginners and for those who find the ordinary books of instruction too technical. To be obtained from I. Roe and M. Broome, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath. Price 6d.; post free 6½d.; 5/9 a dozen, post free.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Clerk, ex-service (24), seeks situation: London or Warwick districts preferred (not essential). Experienced book-keeper, storekeeper, typist. Ring Surprise 8 bells. Accept low salary to get with good band. Excellent refs. —Box 4, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

Ex-serviceman, 25, seeks situation as Chauffeur or Under-Chauffeur, willing to make himself useful. Good refs. Good ringer of Treble Bob Major and Surprise Minor.—Reply, Box number 10, 'Ringing World' Office.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

Beautiful set of 21 HANDBELLS for Sale. Price £10. — J. Ward, Latchmere, Worthing Road, Basingstoke.

Peal of 12 Handbells in A. Condition as good as new. Just the thing for tower work.—Apply, Mrs. Trinder, Green Lane, Church Street, Upper Walmer.

#### RECORD LENGTH TREBLE BOB.

Dear Sir,—Regarding the unfortunate happening in connection with the Mottram Peal, which all true ringers will deeply regret, in your article on the subject there is a little oversight, inasmuch as Mr. E. Timbrell himself lengthened his 16,800 by ten leads about 1907.

However, my object in writing to you is to put before the Exercise a peal which I composed some years ago. At the Central Council meeting, held in Newcastle-on-Tyne, in 1913, I was asked by a member to endeavour to obtain the longest length of Treble Bob for a well-known conductor, who desired to ring the record.

Working on a different plan to Mr. Timbrell, after a considerable amount of hard work, I succeeded in putting together 17,280 changes, which so far as I know is the greatest number obtainable. This was in the hands of the conductor in January, 1914, and has been in his possession ever since. Not having heard of it since 1915, and in view of recent events, I feel justified in now placing my peal before the Exercise, and the figures are given below.

#### 17,280 TREBLE BOB MAJOR.

234567	M.	In.	Out.	5ths.	W.	H.
374562	1		1	1		
567432		1	1	2		
674523	Out.	4ths	and	Out.	1	2
473526	2	1	1		2	2
742536	2					2
45623	2	1	1			1
476532				1		
367542	1					1
24653		1	1		2	
45236			1			
45362			1			1

Four times repeated.

As often occurs when two men are working towards the same end, Mr. Lindoff's composition is produced from exactly the same true courses and leads as the above peal.—Yours faithfully

JOSEPH W. PARKER.

**ISLEWORTH.**—At the Church of All Saints, on Thursday, June 22nd, for the unveiling of the Isleworth Clock Tower Memorial to men who fell during the war, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, half-muffled, in 55 mins., by the following: E. Webb 1, J. Beadle 2, T. Beadle 3, F. Goddard 4, C. Bird 5, A. Beckensale 6, G. Spencer (conductor) 7, H. Beadle 8.—At the same church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples for Sunday evening service, on June 25th: T. Beadle 1, F. C. Cole 2, A. Harding 3, F. Goddard 4, A. Beckensale 5, J. Milner 6, G. Spencer (conductor) 7, H. Brooks 8.



#### CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



## W. AGGETT & SONS,

### Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. —Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. — CLOCKS FIXED.

#### HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
**COVENTRY.**

#### PUBLICATION.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'** — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers 1. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.



# JOHN WARNER & SONS

LIMITED,

## Bellfounders and Bellhangers, . . .

THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY,  
SPELMAN STREET,  
LONDON, E.I.

By Royal Warrant to H.M. King George V.

ESTABLISHED 1763.

### The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

BORE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Chart, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

### The Central Council Publications

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ...	1	0

### "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCED YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

### UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½ in. 2¾ in. 3½ in. 3¾ in. 4 in. 4½ in. 5 in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 75/- 98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



### THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

### RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolle House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 591. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, JULY 14th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 8d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### AN OPPORTUNITY FOR CO-OPERATION

The Central Council has on various occasions in the past dealt with the question of the care and use of church bells—a matter which obviously should be one of its first considerations. It was brought back to the subject by a resolution at the Lincoln meeting, and so vital a matter is it to the interests of ringing, that anything is to be welcomed which helps to keep it constantly before those who are responsible for the upkeep of bells. A pamphlet on 'the preservation of church bells' was one of the publications issued by the Council, although this is for the time being out of print, and recently a circular was issued with a view to interesting Church authorities in the promotion of change ringing and the proper use of bells. The Council has not been lacking, therefore, in efforts to promote the due care of this valuable part of church property, but time brings constant changes, and the well-cared-for belfry of to-day may be the neglected tower of the not distant future. A more or less regular reminder of the importance of keeping bells in order is, consequently, not unnecessary, and the method by which it is now proposed to approach those responsible is by the medium of a card of instructions on the care and use of bells. For the moment the Council's action is to be limited to the drawing up of these instructions, but at the next meeting it will have to consider how these instructions may be dealt with to serve their purpose best.

To print a number of cards and dispose of them at a few pence each to those who apply for them will certainly not achieve the end which ought to be aimed at. If they are left to be thus distributed, the cards are likely to make their way only into those towers in which there are already men interested in ringing and, incidentally, in the publications of the Council. It is far more important that they should go into the belfries where the interest in bells and ringing is less developed; in fact, the best results would be achieved if these instructions, when drawn up, could be distributed broadcast, as, we imagine, was in the mind of the mover when he put the motion on the agenda. Here, of course, the question of expense enters, and this, with the means of turning the issue of the card to best account, will have to be dealt with by the Council when the instructions have been drawn up.

It seems to us, however, that this is a matter in which the affiliated associations might well co-operate with the Council. Every tower in which bells can be put or kept in order is a distinct gain to an association, for it is one of the most important steps in bringing in those belfries not already in membership and in helping to keep those which are. Where associations are thus likely to gain, they

(Continued on page 434.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

**Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.**

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

**Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

ought to be ready to share the cost with the Council, as well as giving their assistance in other ways. The towers which it should be the aim specially to reach in this case are those where the bells are at present neglected and un-rung, and, in bringing these instructions for the care and use of bells before those responsible—instructions be it remembered which will bear the stamp of the highest authority—the associations will have a rare opportunity of introducing some valuable propaganda work. But in this, as in other things, it is necessary to take a wide view and not to miss the opportunity of what might be a useful piece of work, by restricting the distribution of these cards only to those towers which may apply and pay for them.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LEDBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 8040 CHANGES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 25 cwt.

*D. DAVIS ... .. Treble	W. MANSELL ... .. 5
V. MORRIS ... .. 2	A. MORRIS ... .. 6
J. DANCE ... .. 3	T. DANCE ... .. 7
T. DAVIS ... .. 4	*J. HINKSMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. MORRIS.

\* First peal. First peal of Triples as Conductor.

ROCHDALE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, BALDERSTONE.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 8040 CHANGES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*C. HORSFALL ... .. Treble	*W. BANKS ... .. 5
J. W. MATHEW ... .. 2	J. H. LEES ... .. 6
*S. TAYLOR ... .. 3	*S. STOTT ... .. 7
J. ORMEROD ... .. 4	J. GRIFFITHS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. H. LEES.

The above was arranged and rung to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the opening of the church. \* First peal.

BUSHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 13 cwt.

*WILLIAM SEELEY ... .. Treble	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD ... 5
HUBERT EDEN ... .. 2	WALTER AYRE ... .. 6
ARTHUR W. DIX ... .. 3	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... 7
*CHARLES N. LEMAN ... .. 4	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... Tenor

Conducted by F. W. BRINKLOW.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal of 'old' Cambridge on the bells.

NUNEATON.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

(THE NUNEATON SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, July 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

JOHNSON'S VARIATION.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*FRANK BRASSINGTON ... .. Treble	*JAMES F. CLARKE, JUN. ... 5
HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 2	ERNEST STONE ... .. 6
ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... .. 3	DOUGLAS H. ARGYLE ... .. 7
*WALTER HORTON ... .. 4	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by T. W. CHAPMAN.

\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise.

**BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Thursday, July 6, 1922, in Three Hours,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LOKE,**

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE DURLING ... .. Treble	AMOS CLARK ... .. 5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 2	*PERCY BRETT-SMITH... .. 6
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 3	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... .. 7
*JAMES FORD ... .. 4	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN. Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

\* First peal of Major.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**  
**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**

*On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,**

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 28 cwt.

HENRY WALLACE ... .. Treble	BARNARD PATMORE ... .. 5
SIDNEY CARTER ... .. 2	NATHAN PATMORE ... .. 6
JOHN J. CAWDELL ... .. 3	GEORGE CARTER ... .. 7
*WILLIAM K. NORTH ... .. 4	GEORGE T. CROFT ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. PLATT. Conducted by GEORGE T. CROFT.

The ringers of treble, 5th and 6th hail from Great Munden, 2nd and 7th from Little Munden, tenor from Hitchin and 3rd and 4th are local men \* First peal of Major.

**UFFORD, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. in G.

LEONARD P. BAILEY ... .. Treble	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5
FRANK L. FISHER ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 6
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 3	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 7
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 4	CHARLES E. FISHER ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by C. F. BAILEY.

**LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,**

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... .. Treble	CHARLES F. SAYER ... .. 5
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. 2	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 6
*JOHN GARRETT ... .. 3	ALBERT J. L. NADNTON ... .. 7
CLAYTON PARNELL ... .. 4	EDWIN R. GOATE ... .. Tenor

Composed by THOMAS DAY. Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method 'inside.' Arranged and rung to oblige Mr. A. E. Austin, of Great Shelford, Cambs. For calling see Snowdon's 'Treble Bob,' part 2, page 18.

**ECOLESTON, CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,**

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. Treble	HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 5
HENRY C. COLLYER ... .. 2	FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 6
ERNEST PALMER ... .. 3	WILLIAM BIBBY ... .. 7
GEORGE H. RANGLES ... .. 4	EDWARD JENKINS ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (161). Conducted by E. JENKINS.

**ABERAVON, SOUTH WALES.**  
**THE WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Three Hours,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

*FRED STONE ... .. Treble	*ERNEST STITCH ... .. 5
*ALBERT DEVONALD ... .. 2	*HARRY BOYCE ... .. 6
*JOHN HAMMOND ... .. 3	*JACK BLOKHAM ... .. 7
*RONALD ELLIS ... .. 4	ALBERT PITMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by A. J. PITMAN.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Major on an 'inside' bell. First peal of Major on the bells and for the Association. Great credit is due to the ringers for the way they rang this peal, as the ringers of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 6th and 7th belong to the six bell towers, Neath and Cadoston. The others are local ringers.

**TANFIELD, DURHAM.**

**THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,**

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

*GEORGE A. PICKERING ... .. Treble	JOHN FOREMAN ... .. 5
WILLIAM STORY ... .. 2	WM. H. BARBER ... .. 6
J. W. PARKER ... .. 3	R. L. PATTERSON ... .. 7
†RICHARD THOMPSON ... .. 4	†A. M. HALL ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by WM. H. BARBER.

\* First peal of Triples. † First peal of Triples on an 'inside' bell. † First peal. The ringers of treble, 2nd, 4th, 5th and 6th hail from Newcastle Cathedral, 3rd and 7th from St. Ignatius, Sunderland, and tenor from St. Mary's, Gateshead-on-Tyne. Rung half-muffled as a memorial peal for the parishioners who have died during the past year.

**HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.**

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*  
**AT THE PARISH CHURCH,**

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19 cwt.

WILLIAM SHORT ... .. Treble	*ALBERT CRAWLEY ... .. 5
JOHN BASS ... .. 2	JOHN WITHERS ... .. 6
*WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT 3	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 7
*WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by ALFRED DAVIES.

\* First peal in a Surprise method. The conductor's 150th peal.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

**EATON BRAY, BEDFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,**

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and five 720's of Bob Minor.

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr.

*FREDRICK VICKERS ... .. Treble	JOSEPH B. MARKS ... .. 4
*HENRY E. GOOD ... .. 2	GEORGE W. HELEY ... .. 5
*AUGUSTIN V. GOOD ... .. 3	ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. E. SHARMAN.

\* First peal of Minor. The above was arranged for the ringer of the 2nd, who hails from London.

**GREAT STAUGHTON, HUNTS.**  
**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,**

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 18½ cwt.

*DONALD SMITH ... .. Treble	*THOMAS H. TOWNSEND ... .. 4
LOUIS J. FLINT ... .. 2	SYDNEY J. COLEMAN ... .. 5
*THOMAS TOWNSEND ... .. 3	HERBERT FIELDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by S. J. COLEMAN.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor on the bells. First peal as conductor on tower bells.

**Bell Ropes**

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

**GREAT REDUCTIONS.**

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**



WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of St. Clement's Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.

*VICTOR E. KERRIDGE ... Treble	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... 4
JOHN GARRETT ... 2	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... 5
JOHN HALL ... 3	HARRY HALL ... Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

\* First peal in seven methods. First peal in seven methods on the bells. Rung to oblige the ringers of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 6th, who belong to Framlingham. It had been arranged to attempt Treble Bob Major at Southwold, but at the last moment was cancelled owing to serious illness near the church. The band tender their best thanks to Mr. G. Eastaugh, tower keeper, for granting permission to ring.

HOLBETON, DEVON.  
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Tuesday, July 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

*JOHN WILLIAMS ... Treble	REV. EVERARD S. POWELL ... 4
†FREDERICK LAPHORN ... 2	†CEDRIC B. BROWN ... 5
†JOHN REEZY ... 3	BENJAMIN MILLER ... Tenor

Conducted by REV. E. S. POWELL.

\* First peal. † First peal of Minor. † First peal of Minor on a bob bell. First peal of Minor in the county of Devon by a local band of Sunday service ringers.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and 720 of Bob Minor. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ERNEST BAILEY ... Treble	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 4
ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... 2	GEORGE LEE ... 5
EDGAR BAILEY ... 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

Arranged and rung to oblige Mr. A. E. Austin, of Great Shelford, Cambs.

CHICHELY, BUCKS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob called differently. Tenor 15 cwt.

LEONARD TURNER ... Treble	HERBERT COCKINGS ... 4
HERBERT MORTIMER ... 2	PEARL INSKIP ... 5
CHARLES MORTIMER ... 3	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

GRENDON, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Oxford Single Bob, and two 720's of Plain Bob called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

CHARLES DRAPER ... Treble	THOS. W. CHAPMAN ... 4
ERNEST STONE ... 2	ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... 5
ERNEST TIGWELL, SEN. ... 3	JAMES F. CLARKE, JUN. ... Tenor

Conducted by ABRAHAM WILKERSON.

A report of a peal of Plain Bob Major, rung at Idle, Yorkshire, has been received without the number of changes.

STOWE-BY-CHARTLEY, STAFFS.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 15 cwt.

*CHARLES E. SANDYS ... Treble	FREDERICK V. HAGGIS ... 4
WILLIAM H. JONES ... 2	JOHN PERRY ... 5
JOHN J. TAYLOR ... 3	JOHN WARRLOW ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN PERRY.

\* First peal and elected a member of the Society previous to starting the peal.

PORT SUNLIGHT, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At Christ Church,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and 720 each of Single Court, Double Court and Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

*RICHARD BARNES ... Treble	THOS. ROGERS ... 4
†WALTER J. BATTLE ... 2	HERBERT LUDKIN ... 5
†JOHN COOKE ... 3	†SYDNEY F. BARNES ... Tenor

Conducted by H. LUDKIN.

\* First peal. † First peal in five methods. First peal of Minor on the bells.

BLUNSDON, WILTS.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Leonard,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of 960 Old Doubles, 480 Plain Bob, 960 Canterbury Pleasure, 1,200 Grandsire and 1,440 St. Dunstan's, each called differently. Tenor 5½ cwt.

G. LAW ... Treble	B. GUY ... 4
H. ACOCK ... 2	J. HOPE ... 5
G. J. WINTER ... 3	G. W. HASTINGS ... Tenor

Conducted by J. HOPE.

First peal of Doubles in five methods by all. The band wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells.

MALDON, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Court, Plain Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine and Kent, and two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN D. BUCKINGHAM ... Treble	FRANK C. MAY ... 4
ALFRED SOUTH ... 2	HORACE J. MANSFIELD ... 5
*WILLIAM S. MAY ... 3	FRED CHALK ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN D. BUCKINGHAM.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Frank C. May.

FRANT, SUSSEX.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Alban,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of College Single and two 720's each of Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

RICHARD B. LAMBERT ... Treble	FREDK. J. LAMBERT ... 4
REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... 2	JOHN H. HAMMOND ... 5
ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... 3	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, SEN. ... Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, SEN.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.On Wednesday, June 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 18 in G.

JAMES M. BAILEY ...	... 1-2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ...	... 5-6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ...	... 3-4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ...	... 7-8
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... 9-10			

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.  
Witness: H. PEARSON.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.On Thursday, June 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 15 in C.

JAMES M. BAILEY ...	... 1-2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ...	... 5-6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ...	... 3-4	WALTER C. MEDLER ...	... 7-8

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.  
Witnesses: H. PEARSON and E. H. BAILEY.

\* First peal of Major 'in hand.'

CRANLEIGH, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
AT GLENDONNE, THE COMMON,**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 2½ in D flat Major.

CHARLES HAZELDEN ...	... 1-2	ALFRED H. PELLING ...	... 5-6
ARTHUR J. BARTLETT ...	... 3-4	GEORGE W. STEERE ...	... 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: R. WHITTINGTON.

Witnesses: MRS. WHITTINGTON and MRS. PULLING.

**MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.**

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.—At St. Mary's Church, on June 20th, 395 Grandsire Caters: F. Chedgley 1, H. Creed 2, S. Wyatt (conductor) 3, E. Lloyd 4, A. Wyatt 5, E. Wyatt 6, P. Merson 7, F. Sadd 8, H. Mockridge 9, J. Fowler 10. This touch was rung in honour of the visit of the Duke of York to Taunton.

BEESTON, NOTTS.—On July 3rd, 576 London Surprise Major: A. B. Moss 1, A. Coppock (conductor) 2, W. Clifford, senr., 3, W. A. Jones 4, J. O. Dicken 5, F. Blood 6, P. Price 7, R. Drago 8. Longest touch in the method by the 3rd ringer, who is 73 years of age.

RAINFHILL, LANCASHIRE.—On Monday, July 3rd for practice, at the Church of St. Bartholomew R.O., 720 Bob Minor: B. Griffiths 1, T. O'Brien 2, F. J. Hancock 3, G. Meddick 4, J. Timblin 5, H. Ashton (conductor) 6. First 720 by ringers of 1, 2, 4, 5.

TOTTENHAM.—On Tuesday, July 4th, for practice, 1,344 Bob Major, in 49 mins.: W. Ellis 1, H. Bafnelt 2, W. Crabb 3, A. E. Fount 4, A. Cutler 5, H. Strickland 6, C. H. Ross (conductor) 7, H. Ellis 8.

ACTON.—At St. Mary's Church, on June 23rd, in honour of the Prince of Wales' birthday, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples: J. W. Erwin 1, Robt. Pardon (conductor) 2, W. Liddbetter 3, T. Beadle 4, C. Brown 5, Robt. Holloway 6, C. Edwards 7, A. Smith 8.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of St. Mary-le-Port, on June 30th, 1,344 changes of Cambridge Surprise Major: F. G. Leaker 1, J. B. Tyler 2, E. Dibben 3, E. J. Brown 4, E. Guise (conductor) 5, G. Condict, senr., 6, A. Pearce 7, J. A. Burford 8.

MONKS ELEIGH, SUFFOLK.—On Sunday afternoon June 25th, at the Parish Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: H. Whymark 1, M. Symonds 2, W. Stiff 3, F. G. Symonds 4, A. Keeble 5, A. Symonds (conductor) 6.—Also 720 Double Court Bob Minor: A. Symonds 1, W. K. Whittle 2, H. Lister 3, W. Stiff 4, A. Keeble 5, C. W. R. Grimwood (conductor) 6.—Also 720 Oxford Treble Bob: H. Whymark 1, W. K. Whittle 2, A. Keeble 3, C. W. R. Grimwood 4, H. Lister 5, W. Stiff (conductor) 6. The above was rung to oblige F. G. Symonds and C. W. R. Grimwood, who hail from London.

HAYES, KENT.—On Wednesday, June 21st, a date touch 1,922 changes, in 1 hour 10 mins., being 482 Bob Minor, 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. Grandfield (longest length) 1, H. Reader (conductor) 2, J. Hack 3, G. Harwood 4, H. Brown 5, F. Keech 6. Also 240 Woodbine, O. Gilbey ringing 3rd. Rung to welcome home His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

**RINGERS' OUTINGS.**

BRAINTREE, ESSEX.

On Saturday, July 8th, the members of St. Michael's Guild of Ringers had their annual outing. Travelling by charabanc they visited several towers in Suffolk. Bures was first on the list. Here there is a heavy ring of six recently rehung by Mr. A. Howell, and are in good going order. Touches of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob were successfully brought round. Assington, the adjoining village, was soon reached, possessing a nice church with a musical ring of six (tenor about 10 cwt.). The bells were soon heard to the best effect to the tune of Oxford Treble Bob and Double Court. Journeying onwards, Boxford was reached about 11.30, where many friends were met from Helmingham and Ottery, who were also on their outing, and were already in the tower trying their hands on the bells, a good ring of eight, but go very heavily and hang the back way round in the following order: 1 2 4 3 6 7 8 5. A course of Kent Treble Bob and a touch of Grandsire, in which Mr. H. Stone, a local ringer, took part, sufficed at this tower. The next halt was made at Hadleigh, where lunch was taken. It is general knowledge among ringers that Hadleigh possesses one of the finest rings of eight (tenor 28 cwt.) in the county, and our expectations were more than fulfilled. Mr. Thomas Reed had everything ready, and excellent touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major were rung. Proceeding to Higham, Mr. Featherstone met the ringers, and had the bells, a very musical ring of six (tenor 9 cwt.), raised ready for ringing. The bells go remarkably well, and can be rung at any pace, a touch of Oxford Treble Bob being brought round in handbell time. A touch of Double Court was next accomplished at about 30 changes to the minute, and met with approval. The Vicar visited the tower, and expressed his appreciation of the ringing, and Mr. Featherstone cycled on to get the ring of six at Stratford St. Mary raised ready for the party. Touches of Oxford and Kent and Double Court finished the ringing for the day. Dedham was the place arranged for tea, at 5.30 p.m. The church was visited and the tower admired, and regret expressed that no attempt is being made to strengthen this beautiful structure to make it possible to ring the fine peal of eight which have been silent, from a ringers' point of view for over fifty years. Permission had been given to ring at Langham, but had to be abandoned. Leaving Dedham at 7 p.m., home was reached at 8.15 p.m., after one of the most enjoyable outings the Guild have ever had. The best thanks were expressed to the incumbents of the various towers for the use of the bells, and to Messrs. Stone, Reed and Featherstone for making the arrangements, and hearty welcome received.

**LINCOLN CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.**

The members of the above society, along with Messrs. Marcon and Pask (of St. Peter-at-Arch), E. Lloyd (of St. Botolph's), and Master 'Gay' Clifton, had their annual outing on Saturday last. Travelling by motor through Bransford, Blankney, Donnington, Ruskington, and Haverholme Park to Ewerby, where the peal of ten bells (tenor 15½ cwt. in D, a wonderful bell for the weight) were soon set going to Stedman Caters and Double Norwich Major. After lowering the bells a start was made for Heckington, which was reached about 5 p.m. The church, a most magnificent one, was visited, and the bells (a good peal of eight, tenor 20 cwt. in E flat) were soon set going to Stedman Triples, Double Norwich Major, Cambridge Surprise, etc., in which some of the local ringers took part, also Mr. Norman E. Snow, of Sleaford (whom the society were most pleased to see both at Ewerby and Heckington).

The return journey was made via Sleaford.—The best thanks of the society were due to the incumbents of Ewerby and Heckington for the use of the bells, and to the ringers of both towers; also to Mr. W. Dickinson, of Heckington, for the admirable arrangements he made for the tea. Lincoln was reached just before 11 p.m., after a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon's outing.

**CHORLEY SOCIETY.**

On Saturday, July 1st, the Chorley ringers visited Blackpool and Bispham. Permission had been received for the use of the bells at Holy Trinity, South Shore, and All Hallows', Bispham. Holy Trinity tower was the first tower visited, where the party were met on arrival by Mr. Rowcliffe, the chief ringer.

The bells, a nice light peal of six, by Meads and Stainbank, were soon going to Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob, touches of which were successfully brought round.

The party next visited Bispham Church, where they were met by the Vicar, who gave them a cordial welcome.

The bells here are a very musical peal of eight, by Meads and Stainbank, with patent buffers on the clappers. Touches of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major were accomplished here before lowering the bells.

The ringers take this opportunity of offering their best thanks to the respective incumbents for the use of the bells; also to the local companies for having everything in readiness.

**ST. THOMAS'S GUILD, SOUTH WIGSTON.**

On Saturday, July 8th, the members held their annual outing. A start was made from St. Thomas's Church at 1.30 p.m., by charabanc, proceeding via Blaby, Whetstone and Narborough, picking up Messrs. C. H. Webb and H. Briggs, who joined the party later, to Sharnford, where handbell ringing was commenced. Monks Kirby was reached, and here the party mounted the tower, and set this fine peal of bells off into changes, touches of Grandsire Triples, Plain Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob Major, Stedman Triples and Double Norwich Court Bob Major being successfully brought round. After tea, a start was made for Rugby, where they were met at the church by Mr. J. Fenton and other members of the local band.

The fine old bells were soon set off into Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major and Double Norwich Court Bob Major until about 8 p.m., when the party adjourned to a room which Mr. Fenton had kindly arranged for them to spend a social evening. The party arrived safely back at St. Thomas's Church, South Wigston, after a most enjoyable outing. Thanks were accorded to the incumbents for the use of the bells and the friends who helped to make the outing a complete success.

**CAERPHILLY SOCIETY.**

The above ringers journeyed to Bristol on July 1st for their annual outing, being augmented by two members from Bedwas. On arriving at Newport two more were added to the company, Mr. J. W. Jones and Mr. C. Gredy. Bristol was reached, and the party proceeded to St. Philip's for a pull. After ringing for about an hour St. Stephen's was next visited, the party being joined by Mr R. Newton, of Liverpool, and several of the Bristol men. The following churches were also visited: St. James', St. Matthew's, St. Peter's and St. Thomas's.

Thanks were due to Mr. J. W. Jones, of Newport, and Mr. P. C. Williams, of Bristol, for making the arrangements; the Bristol ringers for giving the party such a fine welcome, and also the various incumbents for the use of their bells. Methods rung during the day were Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Plain Bob Major.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**

Saturday, July 1st, was a memorable day in the annals of the North Notts ringers, when over 70 members, with their wives and sweethearts, visited Edwinstowe (the capital of the Dukeries). The towers represented were Barlborough, Cuckney, Harworth, Tuxford, Tuxford, Ordsall, Gainsborough, Tickhill, Warsop, Edwinstowe and Worksop, whilst members from kindred associations were present from Alfreton and Killamarsh and Sutton-in-Ashfield. During the afternoon and evening, touches of Plain Bob, Grandsire Doubles, Kent and Oxford, Duke of York, and other methods, were rung by mixed companies, the sound of the bells drawing a large concourse of people from the forest to the church to hear and witness the intricacies of change ringing, who remarked how neatly and truly the ladies handled the ropes. Tea was served at the Church Institute, under the supervision of Miss Mitchell, with a band of willing workers, and was presided over by the Vicar of Edwinstowe (the Rev. F. C. Day-Lewis).—The business meeting followed, and the Vicar, in a brief address, gave a hearty welcome to all. He was delighted, he said, to see the room so full of keen enthusiastic church workers, bell ringers and friends.

The members of the annual meeting were read and confirmed.—Two new members from Edwinstowe and Barlborough were duly enrolled.—The next place of meeting, which was decided for August Bank Holiday, to be held at Harworth, was changed to Sutton-on-Trent, where the hon. secretary was taking over a band of ringers on July 8th to open a new ring of six bells put in by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough. It was announced that at the village sports held on that day the proceeds would be given in aid of the Bell Fund, and the North Notts ringers would compete in the tug-of-war. The Vicar and ringers had expressed their willingness to join the association, and one more tower would become affiliated to the association.—A comprehensive vote of thanks was passed to Miss Mitchell for providing tea, and also to the Vicar of Edwinstowe for presiding over same and for the use of the bells.—The Vicar suitably replied, and afterwards gave a most inspiring address in the church at 6.30 p.m. Ringing was afterwards kept up until 8.30 p.m.

**NORTH MOOR (OXON.).**—On Saturday, July 8th, at North Moor (Oxon.), a 720 of Grandsire Minor: Harry White 1, G. Holfield, junr., 2, G. Holfield, senr., 3, W. Hibbert 4, R. T. Hibbert (conductor) 5, Richard White 6.

**GREAT STAUGHTON, HUNTS.**—On June 21st, for practice, 720 of Plain Bob Minor was rung by the following band: N. Smith 1, D. Smith 2, F. W. Lack 3, T. H. Townsend 4, T. Townsend 5, Alfred Bowell 6. Conducted by A. Bowell. Mr. A. Bowell hails from Ipswich, Suffolk. The rest belong to local bands.

**WIGSTON, ALL SAINTS'.****RURAL DEAN INSTITUTED AND BELLS DEDICATED.**

Two interesting events took place at the Parish Church of All Saints, Wigston Magna, on Saturday.

The Bishop of Leicester instituted the Vicar (the Rev. T. W. Wright, M.A.) as Rural Dean of Gartree Second Denary. There was a large congregation, and the Bishop, in his address, gave an historical sketch of the work and office of a Rural Dean, dating as it does from the sixth century, and the present-day necessity of fellowship with neighbouring parishes. The service was conducted by the Rev. H. J. Adams, A.K.C., the lessons being read by the Rev. A. R. Blackett (Rector of Carlton Curbieu) and Canon E. S. B. Fletcher (Kibworth). Other clergy present included the Revs. B. G. D. Clarke, C. W. Weston, R. L. Greaves, B. C. F. Andrews, Eoston Jones, and W. N. Westmore, who acted as chaplain to the Bishop. The Urban District Council was represented by Councillors A. H. Broughton (chairman), J. E. Rawson, Eli Bulley, and Mr. E. F. Bulh (clerk). The Free Church Council was represented by Mr. A. H. Broughton (president).

The Bishop of Leicester also dedicated a new peal of bells installed in the tower of the church. The bells were recast and rehung by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough. From a ringer's point of view the work leaves nothing to be desired. The bells have been hung according to the latest principles, and all perfectly tuned. The actual weight of the largest bell is 16 cwt. 11 lb., and with clapper and other necessary fittings it weighs over a ton. The total actual weight of the whole peal is 61 cwt. The date on each of the old bells has been carefully preserved and inscribed on the new ones, viz., 1st and 2nd 1906, 3rd 1874, 4th 1702, 5th 1824, 6th 1804, 7th 1682, tenor 1906, and the whole bear the date 1922. The 4th and 7th bears the inscription in Latin, 'Ihs Nazarens Rex Iudeorum filii Dei miserere,' which means 'Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews, Son of God, Have Mercy.' The tenor also shows the name of the present Vicar and churchwardens (Messrs. F. Harrington and S. Laundon). The cost is about £1,000—a large proportion of which has yet to be raised.

After the dedication ringers standing as follows rang the opening peal of Grandsire Triples: T. Humberstone 1, A. Briers 2, W. H. Humberstone 3, A. Roe 4, J. Carter 5, A. E. Stanyon 6, W. Brewin 7, F. Lloyd 8.

After the service tea was provided at the Vicarage for the guests, and for members of the Church Council, choir, ringers, sidesmen, and other friends. During the evening the tower was visited by ringers from Loughborough, Manchester, Leicester (St. Martin's and St. Margaret's), and touches of London, Cambridge, Superlative, Surprise, Stedman, Grandsire, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob, and Bob Major being successfully brought round, all being agreed that the 'go' and the tune are excellent.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.**

Owing to the Vicar of Boldmere being absent from home, the meeting of the Guild, which was to have been held there, was held at short notice at Perry Barr, and there was rather a poor attendance.

The bells are a ring of eight, by Taylor (tenor 13½ cwt. in F sharp)—very handy. The 'approach' to the belfry leaves something to be desired, however, as it is by means of an almost perpendicular ladder about 20 feet high, placed in the porch in full view of anyone entering or leaving the church. The bells were kept going to the tune of the standard methods and Cambridge Major during the afternoon and evening.

Tea was followed by the business meeting, at which the Presiding Ringing Master, Mr. Alderman J. S. Pritchett, took the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting having been duly confirmed, the Chairman said he wished to congratulate the members who rang the peal of Stedman Sextuples on what he considered was a marvellous performance. It was an honour to the Guild, and he was particularly proud to think that local men had scored the first peal ever rung on 14 bells. Every member would be equally proud of them. He hoped that handbell ringing, which had now reached such a pitch of perfection amongst them, would never again be allowed to lapse, and become a lost art.

Formal business being disposed of, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar (the Rev. G. Watts Read, M.A.) for the use of the bells, and to Mr. George Mitcheson, the local captain, for having everything in readiness at such short notice.—In replying, Mr. Mitcheson said the St. Martin's Guild was always welcome at Perry Barr, and he hoped they would come oftener. The local ringers are the fortunate possessors of a truly magnificent peal of twelve handbells (tenor 17 cwt. in A), and a good touch of Stedman Cinques were rung by the following: P. O. Ladin 1—2, A. Walker 3—4, T. Miller 5—6, J. F. Smallwood 7—8, J. E. Groves 9—10, W. J. Morris 11—12.

More tower and handbell ringing followed, and, later on, the local cricket team having won its match, forces were joined, and a pleasant social hour passed all too quickly.

### MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

The North and East District of the above association met at Willissen on Saturday, July 8th, in very unsettled weather, and consequently the attendance suffered. Some excellent ringing was accomplished in the more advanced methods.

A short service was held at 5 p.m., when the Vicar (the Rev. J. Dixon) gave an address. After tea, followed the usual business meeting.—A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for his address at the service, for the use of the bells, and also for presiding at the meeting. Thanks were also accorded to Mr. R. Kilby and the local ringers for the excellent arrangements they had made, and to the ladies who had so kindly prepared tea.—The Vicar replied to the vote of thanks with a few words of cordial welcome, whilst Mr. Kilby also acknowledged the thanks of the members.—The Vicar afterwards expressed a desire to become an hon. member of the society, which the hon. secretary promised to see to at the next meeting. Some Stedman Caters on handbells were rung, but the two courses attempted did not 'come round,' the ringer of the trebles getting a bit mixed.

Afterwards the tower was again visited, and several methods, including Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative and Cambridge Surprise, were rung.

### BELL RESTORATION FUNDS.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—May I be allowed in your columns to enter a mild protest against the Central Council resolution, as amended by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies—'That Diocesan and County Associations be asked to consider the advisability of establishing in the area of each ringing association a Bell Restoration Fund,' etc.? This seems to suggest that no such funds are in existence. I was going to protest at the meeting, but the chairman, wishing, I suppose, as recorder, to get through the business in record time, failed to see that I wished to speak. As a matter of fact, several associations have what we call a Belfry Repairs Fund. The Kent County Fund has been in existence for no less than 27 years. In its early days the grants made were little and few; but since its first inception we have been able to assist local effort to the extent of over £100, and we look forward to doing more in the future. It is absurd to ask us at all events to 'consider the advisability,' etc.

FRED. J. O. HELMORE,

Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, Kent County Association of  
Change Ringers.

### CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Kettering District was held at Isham on Saturday, July 1st, about 30 members being present. A service was held at 4.30 p.m., conducted by the Rev. E. J. Atkins.

Tea was followed by the business meeting, at which the Rev. E. J. Atkins presided (in the unavoidable absence of the Vice-President, the Rev. C. H. L. Hopper, Vicar of Weekley), supported by Messrs. D. J. Nichols, general secretary; F. Barber, secretary of Wellborough District; and R. F. Turner, the district secretary. The election of officers and committee was as follows: Vice-president, Rev. C. H. L. Hopper; district secretary, Mr. R. G. Black; central committee, Messrs. R. F. Turner and Jos. Saddington; district committee, Messrs. S. Burditt, M. Hobbs and G. Blaxley.—It was regretted by all that Mr. R. F. Turner was resigning the secretaryship, an office he had held for several years, and during which time he had done much good work in the district.—It was decided to hold a special ringing meeting at Thorpe Malsor and the next quarterly meeting at Weldon.—Mr. D. J. Nichols proposed a vote of thanks to the officers and committee for their services during the past year.—This was seconded by Mr. W. T. Wilson.—Messrs. E. M. Atkins and D. J. Nichols gave a report of the Central Council meeting at Lincoln.—A vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. E. J. Atkins for the use of the bells, conducting the service, and for presiding at the meeting, and also to the ladies who provided such a splendid tea.

### COLLEGE SINGLE DOUBLES.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—In Mr. D. T. Matkin's reply to my letter, re College Single Doubles, he gives a plain lead and a bob lead of what he calls College Single Doubles. I fail to see how it can be College Single Doubles, as there is no College Single work in the bob lead whatever. What his College Single Doubles are really is Plain Oxford Bob Doubles, of which I will give a plain and bob lead.

12345	
21435	
24135	
42315	51342 Bob
43251	15432
34521	14532
35412	
53142	41352
51342	43152
15432	
15342	

Now I think Mr. D. T. Matkin will agree with me that there is more Oxford Bob than College Single in his method, inasmuch the work will extend to Oxford Bob Minor, while his College Single Doubles won't extend to that method of Minor. The only difference between his method and mine is that the leads are vice versa.—Yours truly,

J. HAMMOND.

Garthmor, Neath, South Wales.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

# THE LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1670  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,

32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.



ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

for

Recasting, Retuning and Re-hanging.

HANDBELLS

In Sets of any number.

BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

(Continued from Page 425.)

### THE PROOF OF PEALS.

Mr. A. E. Parsons proposed:—

That the Council consider the advisability and practicability of proving and recording all new compositions before being rung or published.

He said he personally took neither a positive nor negative position with regard to the motion, which emanated from the secretary of the Worcestershire Association (Mr. Newman), who had asked him to propose it. They had false peals composed and published, sometimes even by experienced men, and if his proposal could be carried out, it would eliminate that trouble with regard to forming a record of the peals. There might be some difficulty, at the same time he thought steps which the Council had taken that day were in the right direction. To have the compositions on record would, he believed, be of great assistance to students, and might save a great amount of wasted labour and discouragement. With regard to the practicability of putting the proposal into operation, he must leave that to the Council. It might be that various experts would undertake the proof of the various compositions sent to them, perhaps for a small fee to be paid by the composer. As to the record, he did not know how the Council would deal with that.

Mr. W. Short seconded.

The Chairman suggested that the resolution be amended to read, 'That the Peals Collection Committee be instructed to consider,' etc.

A member asked if this was not already part of the work which the Peals Collection Committee had been doing for the past 25 years.

Mr. C. T. Coles said in spite of what the Peals Collection Committee had done, there were still false peals rung. There was a peal rung by the association, which he had the honour to represent, as long ago as 1907, which was published in the annual report for that year, and although 600 copies or more were distributed and came into the hands of a number of competent composers and conductors, it was not discovered to be false until a few weeks ago. Whether they could get all peal compositions proved before being published or rung he did not know. It would be a big thing to undertake, but he hoped something might be done, because it was a disappointment to find that peals that had been rung had turned out to be false.

Mr. J. Parker said the best thing for a composer to do was to get his peals rung and then publish them. As Mr. Hattersley once said, 'somebody will soon prove a peal for you if you have rung it' (laughter).

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies said if he were going to call a new peal he should prove it before he called it, and if he could not do it himself he would ask someone to do it for him.

Mr. H. W. Wilde said it would be an enormous task to prove all the peals that were continually being brought out. The Peal Collection Committee, he thought, only undertook to prove the peals for the Treble Bob Collection, and not all the peals that were published. His experience had been that peals by some of the great composers were rung 30 years ago, and had not been discovered as false until recently. That applied to some of the simpler methods as well as the more difficult. He came across a peal of Double Norwich rung in Liverpool ten years since, the falseness of which had not been pointed out until a few days ago. There were instances of false peals rung bearing the names of the most famous composers—Henry Johnson, for instance. There was a good deal to be said in favour of the matter being considered by a committee, and they might pass a resolution suggesting that no peal should be rung unless it had been submitted to the committee of the Council. The great difficulty had already been pointed out; upon whom should the task of proving the peals devolve? It would be a very great task, and would be imposing on somebody a great burden. Still that would not prevent the committee from considering the matter.

The Chairman said he could speak with feeling upon this matter. He once composed a new and original peal of startling brilliancy, and he got it rung at St. Martin's, Birmingham. He conducted it himself, and published the figures. In the next issue of the paper no less than five letters appeared denouncing the peal as false (laughter). He had not tried to compose one since (laughter). He would have been glad to be spared that humiliation by knowing to whom he could have submitted the composition before he called it.

Mr. T. H. Beams asked if the proposer would accept the addition of two or three words, to make the resolution apply to methods and new compositions.

The Chairman: It is very much widening it. Had we not better have one thing at the time?

Mr. Parsons: I prefer to confine myself to the motion on the agenda.

Mr. C. T. Coles said he would urge associations, where they had published a false peal in their reports, to take pains to mark them as false in any existing copies which they had, otherwise there was the danger of the peals being rung again by conductors who sent for old reports in order to get fresh compositions to call.

Mr. James George said the ringing of false peals was a serious thing, and he urged the Council to do anything that was possible to reduce the risk.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn said it seemed to him the question of proving peals was nothing to do with the Peals Committee. If anyone wanted to start for a peal of the truth of which they were not certain, they should get someone to prove it beforehand.

Mr. J. Parker said the proposal would make conductors lazy. They ought to prove the peals or get them proved.

The Rev. H. Law James said ever since he had been Master of the Lincoln Guild he had taken the trouble every year to prove every single peal before it was printed in their report, and he guaranteed there was not a single false peal right the way down. He thought the resolution was unnecessary.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was defeated.

#### PROPOSED SCIENCE MUSEUM EXHIBIT.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. E. A. Young) moved:—

To move that a Committee be appointed in connection with the new exhibit upon Campanology, at the Science Museum, South Kensington.

Mr. Young said he was pleased to be able to report that as a result of a number of visits and considerable correspondence, the authorities at the Science Museum at South Kensington were prepared to allow them to provide an exhibit representing the art and science of campanology (hear, hear). The authorities would give them a case, and a certain amount of wall space. The department, however, had no money to give them; and it was for the Council to see that the case was properly filled. If they did not fill it properly and worthily they would do themselves no good, but harm, and at the same time show a lack of appreciation of the kindness of the authorities. In exhibiting in the museum they would have around them some of the finest exhibitions of science, and they must make a good show to compete favourably with those most excellent exhibits. The time had now arrived when his work should be supplemented by a committee, and he asked the Council to appoint such a committee.

Various names were submitted, and the following were eventually appointed: Revs. C. D. P. Davies, C. W. O. Jenkyn and E. Banks James, Messrs. E. A. Young, E. H. Lewis, C. F. Johnston, A. A. Hughes, and P. Taylor.

Mr. G. P. Burton asked what the scope of the exhibit was to be. Was it to be archaeological or mechanical?

The Chairman said it was not to be an antiquarian exhibit in any sense. The object of the exhibition was to show the progress of modern science, so far as it concerned the modern aspect of campanology.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies said the main object was to show visitors to the museum what change ringing really was, and how bells were hung in order to be maintained in change ringing.

The Chairman: Having appointed an excellent committee we cannot do better than leave the matter in their hands to arrange the best exhibition in their power.

The Chairman said notice of a resolution had been received, but not in time to be placed on the printed agenda. It was from Mr. J. H. Banks who intimated his intention to move 'that in future no method be named after a county or a county town without the consent of the principal ringing association within the area.'

Canon Elsee said that as Mr. Banks was not present he would formally move the resolution.—Mr. H. Chapman seconded.

Mr. C. T. Coles said it had been the general understanding in the past that a band ringing a peal in a new method should have the privilege of naming it. He thought the Council should stick to that procedure. Fortunately or unfortunately, the Council had no means of enforcing their decisions, and they could not stop a band giving a new method any name they liked. He thought the procedure in the past had been satisfactory, and that they might leave it as it was.

The Chairman said he must confess he did not see what the resolution aimed at. Why should not the composer of a new method call it what he liked? The resolution had been formally moved out of kindness to the absent proposer, but he would advise the Council not to accept the resolution without some good reasons in support of it.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn said he thought the correspondence which he had received on the names of six bell methods might throw some light on it. As far as his recollection served him a band rang a Minor method, and called it Lancashire without the knowledge of the secretary of the Lancashire Association, and he had rather a difficulty in getting the name altered when it was found that Lancashire Major was already in existence.

The motion was put to the meeting without further discussion, and defeated.

#### SALISBURY FOR THE NEXT MEETING.

The question of the place of next meeting was then discussed by the Council, and the Rev. C. D. P. Davies moved that the meeting be held at Cardiff, pointing out that as Lincoln was to the north and

east of the Midlands, Cardiff would make a very good 'pair' by being in the opposite direction of south and west.—Mr. J. Griffin seconded.

Mr. J. Hunt, on behalf of the Bath and Wells Association, invited the Council to Bath, where they had, he said, plenty of bells, plenty of good water (laughter), and very good railway facilities. He was instructed to say that the association would do everything it could for the comfort and convenience of the members.—Mr. W. A. Cave seconded.

Mr. T. H. Beams proposed that the Council should meet at Salisbury. It was only a few years ago the Council was at Gloucester, and Bath was within about 30 miles of that city. He strongly urged the claims of Salisbury, and said the Council would receive a great welcome from the Salisbury Guild. It was all very well to go to big ringing centres, but the Council had to do a little missionary work. They could help the Salisbury Guild, which was a struggling association working in a rural area, and only those who worked in it knew what a difficulty there was in carrying on.—The Rev. F. L. Edwards seconded.

Mr. W. Bibby proposed Chester, which, he said, had been before the Council on more than one occasion. — The Rev. A. T. Beeston seconded.

The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore proposed Hereford, and this was seconded by Mr. W. Short.

Mr. J. W. Jones said he did not think they would get the bells at Hereford on the day following the annual meeting of the Hereford Guild. With regard to Cardiff, his association (the Llandaff and Monmouth) had not discussed the matter of inviting the Council there at all, and for that reason he did not support Mr. Davies' motion. If they would drop Cardiff this time he would see what they could do for a future meeting.

Cardiff was, therefore, withdrawn, as were also Chester and Hereford, but the Rev. A. T. Beeston proposed Plymouth, which the Council had several times considered visiting.—Mr. J. George seconded.

On being put to the meeting, Bath received 15 votes Salisbury 23 and Plymouth 5. Salisbury was, therefore, declared the selected place, and Mr. Beams promised the Council that nothing should be lacking in the local arrangements to make the visit a pleasant one.—Major Hughes D'Aeth, as Master of the Salisbury Guild, also assured the Council of a hearty welcome. He believed the visit would give a great filip to campanology in their diocese.

#### OFFICIAL REPORTS.

Mr. J. Griffin said the Standing Committee had that morning considered the various suggestions that had been put forward in the 'Ringing World' of the previous week, and recommended the Council to issue a report of that meeting to the various societies affiliated to them. They suggested that the report should take the shape of a leaflet printed from the 'Ringing World' with, of course, an official communication from the secretary. The committee felt that, although the proceedings were reported through the 'Ringing World,' for the real recognition of the Council it was necessary that the official communications pass through the association secretaries. The expense would not be great, because it was understood their secretary would be able to take advantage of the summary of the proceedings which the 'Ringing World' published on the Friday following their meeting.—The Rev. E. W. Carpenter seconded.

Mr. C. T. Coles said he took it the idea was that the associations should have the opportunity of discussing any matters brought before the Council. With the present-day pressure of business at annual meetings, it would be almost impracticable to find time for such discussions, and he thought they would have to come up at branch meetings. He hoped, therefore, there would be sufficient leaflets distributed to enable association secretaries to send them on to their branches.

The motion was agreed to.

#### THE ROLL OF HONOUR.

The Rev. Canon Elsee said one other suggestion had been made in the 'Ringing World,' and that was that the roll of honour of ringers who fell in the war, that was read two years ago at Northampton, should be preserved in a more permanent form than the list which at present the Librarian had. Whether it would be too costly to write on parchment—which would be the worthiest and most permanent form—he did not know, but the Librarian had suggested to the Standing Committee that if that were not possible, the list might be written in a fair hand in durable ink into a book. He, therefore, moved that the Librarian make inquiry into the cost of writing the names on parchment, and if the cost appeared to be too great, that the names be written out in book form so that they might be preserved for the future.

Mr. J. Griffin seconded.

The Chairman asked if it would not be well to leave the matter with instructions to the Standing Committee, to engross these names in such manner as they thought most convenient. They could rely upon them doing it satisfactorily.

After further discussion, it was left to the Librarian to ascertain and report the cost of writing the names on parchment.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921



Mr. A. Coleman said he thought before the engrossing took place the list should be revised. Since he sent the list of the members of his association, there had been several more to add, and one who was reported dead was still alive.

#### VOTES OF THANKS.

The Chairman then proposed a vote of thanks to the Dean and Chapter for the use of the Chapter House for the meeting, and to the Dean for his kindness in other ways. He thought the Council had expressed gratitude in a very practical form, for they had collected the handsome donation of nine guineas for the Cathedral Restoration Fund (applause).—The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman was accorded, on the motion of the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, and Alderman Pritchett, in replying, said they had had a most harmonious and practical meeting. They had done good work, and had had a pleasant gathering in that ancient city and cathedral (applause).

This concluded the business, and the Council rose about 4.30 p.m.

The members were afterwards conducted round the Cathedral by the Dean, who explained the many points of interest in the ancient building in a most delightful style. A master of history, he introduced a rare humour, and those who followed him through the building from the cloisters to the Ringers' Chapel, enjoyed a most delightful and instructive hour.

Subsequently the majority of the members availed themselves of the kind invitation to tea extended by the Lincoln Diocesan Association, and later enjoyed ringing on the bells of various city churches.

#### BOSBURY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

On June 21st, for the marriage of Mr. H. E. Lane and Miss H. Shaw, 720 of Plain Bob Minor by: J. Foster 1, F. Stinton 2, F. Foster 3, A. Morris 4, E. W. Turner (conductor) 5, E. Spencer 6.—On July 1st, on the return to Old Court of Mr. and Mrs. Lane, 720 Oxford Bob Minor by the same band. The first 720 in either method on the bells by a local band.—For morning service, on July 2nd, 240 Kent Treble Bob: J. Foster, F. Stinton, F. Foster, E. Price, E. W. Turner (conductor) and E. Spencer. Also 240 Grandsire Minor: A. Hawkins, F. Stinton, E. Price, E. W. Turner (conductor), F. Farmer, A. Morris.—On July 9th, for morning service, on the visit of the Bishop of Hereford, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: G. Lewis, J. Lewis, E. W. Turner, C. Bowers, D. Horne (conductor), G. Jordon. Taking part in other touches on the above dates also were Messrs. F. Hawkins and W. Parker.

#### WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual general meeting of the Guild was held at Winchester on Saturday, the 1st inst. Representatives from the following towers were present: Bishopstoke, Havant, North Stoneham, Portsmouth, St. Mary's, Southampton; Portsmouth, Twyford, Wickham, Winchester Cathedral, Christchurch, Andover, Basingstoke, Bramley, Oakley, Overton, Aldershot, Godalming, Guildford (two towers), Sherborne, Worplesdon, Woking, Bagshot, Chertsey, Farnborough, Hersham, Yateley, Yorktown and Newport (I.W.).

The officers were re-elected, with the exception of the recorder of peals, Mr. T. W. Fairley, who wrote resigning, on account of advancing years and failing eyesight. Mr. Fairley's resignation was regretfully accepted, and a hearty vote of thanks was passed to him for his past services. He was unanimously elected an hon. life member.

After the general meeting, the members attended evensong at the Cathedral, when the preacher was the Rev. Canon Braithwaite, a patron of the Guild. The service was followed by tea in St. Maurice Hall at 5 p.m. During the day, ringing took place at the Cathedral (12) and St. Maurice (6), Winchester.

#### LEEDS & DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the above Society was held on June 24th at Tong. The bells were rung in the evening, and several touches of Treble Bob Minor were brought round.

The business meeting was held in the tower, Mr. G. Bolland in the chair, supported by members from Birstall, Low Moor, Holbeck, Lightcliffe, Headingley (St. Michael's), Leeds P.C., and the local band.—It was decided that the arrangements for the peal attempt at Rothwell be left in the secretary's hands.—Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar and local company for the use of the bells and kind arrangements.—Mr. Bolland responded, bringing the business to a close.—Afterwards further ringing took place on both tower and handbells.

**DENTON, MANCHESTER.**—On Tuesday, June 20th at St. Anne's Church, 720 of Violet, 21 bobs: \*Harry Swindells 1, \*Chas. Clayton 2, W. Wilde 3, A. E. Marshall 4, \*W. Wolstencroft 5, J. Heckingbottom (conductor) 6. \* First 720 in the method.

#### CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

##### To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In your issue of June 9th, a letter was published from Mr. T. Metcalf, with reference to a visit paid by representatives of the Yorkshire Association to a meeting of the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association at Ormesby on October 22nd of last year, for the purpose of urging some kind of amalgamation of the two associations. In order that it may be quite clearly understood what actually happened at that meeting we would point out that, after the representatives of the Yorkshire Association had stated their case, and invited co-operation, the only resolution moved was to the effect that the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association should remain as at present, or, in other words, it was a resolution declining any co-operation. The chairman (the Rev. J. Kyle) stated that he would rather not put the resolution to the meeting, and intimated that if delegates from both associations would meet at Carlton some week-end, a satisfactory solution of the problem might be reached. The President of the Yorkshire Association (the Rev. O. C. Marshall) said that he would be very glad to fall in with this plan, but beyond that the meeting made no further suggestion, and there the matter was left. If Mr. Metcalf is under the impression that the representation of the Yorkshire Association undertook to take the next step, we trust that he will realise that a misunderstanding exists on the point. We certainly felt that we had done all that we could, and that the members of the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association, as represented at that meeting, were not willing to meet us half-way. Should, however, we be mistaken in this, we shall be very glad if Mr. Metcalf would write to us direct, in order that the position may be cleared up and, as we hope, that the cause of change ringing in this district may be benefited.—Yours very truly,

Rev. O. C. MARSHALL, President of the Yorkshire Association.

P. J. JOHNSON, Hon. Secretary.

#### A BIRMINGHAM FESTIVAL.

On Sunday, May 21st, 5,000 Roman Catholics demonstrated their faith in the streets of Birmingham in connection with the celebration of the feast of the translation of St. Chad. The bones of St. Chad, Bishop of Lichfield, apostle of the Midlands, and now titular saint of the Birmingham Metropolitan Cathedral, have found a shrine at the Cathedral of Birmingham, which bears the saint's name. By a rescript of the Holy See the feast has been raised to primary rank in the ecclesiastical calendar. This feast was not solemnised during the Reformation until 1919, when it was revived, and its pageantry has grown in magnificence and size each succeeding year.

The ringing during the day comprised 720 Bob Minor in 27 mins.: W. G. Ellis 1, E. Mullins 2, C. Mackenzie 3, J. Porter 4, T. Kelly (1st 720) 5, T. Miller (cond.) 6.—For Pontifical Vespers, Johnson's 1,008 Grandsire Triples, in 35 mins.: W. Hunt 1, T. Miller 2, W. G. Ellis (conductor) 3, J. Porter 4, C. Mackenzie 5, E. Mullins 6, T. Kelly 7, T. Fearick 8. An extemporaneous touch of about 700 Grandsire Triples conducted by T. Miller, and the firing of the bells, brought the day's celebration to a close.

#### SURPRISE RINGING IN THE WEST.

##### To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—On behalf of the band here, I beg to withdraw claim to first Surprise Method ringing by a resident band west of Bristol, also to offer apologies to our Carhampton friends. In explanation, I should like to say inquiries were made from ringers that have been in close touch with ringing in the Bath and Wells Association for the last 25 years, and no one knew of any Surprise Method having been rung. It does seem, however, from Mr. Stacey's letter that we can claim the first 720 of Surprise by a resident band west of Bristol.—Yours faithfully, J. HUNT.

Taunton.

**WALTHAMSTOW.**—On Monday, June 26th, at the Church of St. Mary, Walthamstow, a quarter-peal of Erin Triples was rung in 50 minutes, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the memory of the late Field-Marshal Sir H. Wilson, who was interred at St. Paul's Cathedral the same day: A. Mason 1, G. B. Lucas 2, C. T. Coles (conductor) 3, J. C. Adams 4, J. H. Wilkins 5, F. C. Maynard 6, H. Rumens 7, R. Maynard, seunr., 8. Composed by G. Astbury.

**HIGH HALDEN, KENT.**—On Thursday, June 22nd, 720 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. Baker 1, H. Baker 2, L. Honess (conductors) 3, C. Tribe 4, B. Baker 5, H. Parkes 6. First 720 by ringers of 1, 2, 3 and 5.—Also a 720 by C. Tribe 1, L. Honess 2, H. Baker 3, E. Burgess 4, B. Baker 5, H. Parkes 6. First 720 by E. Burgess.

**LUTON, BEDS.**—On Thursday, June 22nd, for practice, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major (1,280 changes), in 50 mins.: A. Smith 1, T. Blackburn 2, B. Wilson 3, C. Rollings 4, H. Wood 5, F. Hunt 6, T. Kendall 7, E. A. Goodenough (conductor) 8. All members of the local band.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**BEDFORD.**—On Sunday morning, July 9th, at the Church of St. Peter, for Divine service, 720 Bob Minor: Miss E. Steel 1, Miss E. K. Knight (first inside) 2, W. Stapleton 3, H. Mortimer 4, A. C. Robinson 5, H. L. Harlow (conductor) 6.

**HILLINGDON.**—At St. Andrew's Church, on Sunday, June 25th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: J. Peddle 1, Miss N. Williams 2, P. Jones 3, J. J. Pratt 4, H. Chandler 5, E. Hancock (conductor) 6, R. Carter 7, T. Smith 8.

**WITHAM, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, at the Parish Church, for morning service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: W. Butler (conductor) 1, A. Chalk 2, W. Mellin 3, H. Dorking 4, A. Evers 5, E. Bright 6.—For evening service, 720 Double Court: V. Glass 1, W. Butler 2, W. Mellin 3, H. Dorking 4, A. Evers 5, E. Bright (conductor) 6.

**BRADING, ISLE OF WIGHT.**—On Sunday, June 25th, at St. Mary's Church, for evensong, to commemorate the 35th anniversary of the addition of four new bells to the four old bells to complete the octave, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) was rung in 45 mins.: A. Jackson 1, F. Chaffey 2, E. Simmonds 3, J. T. Tansom 4, I. W. Pain 5, B. J. Snow 6, H. Jennings (conductor) 7, A. R. Ward 8.

**BALING, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday, July 9th, at St. Mary's Church, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr., 1, A. H. Fulwell 2, E. W. Goodfellow 3, A. M. Stacey 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, L. H. Page (conductor) 7, F. S. Palmer, senr., 8.

**ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 44 mins., at the Church of All Saints: W. Lidbetter 1, T. Beadle 2, E. F. Cole 3, J. Milner 4, C. Tricker 5, A. Beckensale 6, G. Spencer (conductor) 7, H. Brooks 8.

**APPLETON, BERKS.**—On Sunday, July 9th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of 1,259 Grandsire Caters, composed by W. J. Wilkins: W. Holfield 1, W. Hibbert 2, G. Holfield, senr., 3, R. T. Hibbert 4, C. J. White 5, H. White 6, S. F. White 7, G. Holfield, junr., 8, R. White 9, Fred White 10. Conducted by G. Holfield, junr.

**STAINES.**—At the Church of St. Peter, on Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes) of Stedman Triples: G. Watkin 1, H. H. Mance 2, W. Dean 3, E. Reeve 4, H. Burton 5, W. Essery 6, H. Mance (conductor) 7, J. Hessey 8. Rung on the occasion of the annual outing of the St. Luke's, Chelsea, band of ringers.

**IDLE, YORKS.**—At the Church of Holy Trinity, on Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, \*672 Double Norwich.—For evening service, 1,008 Double Norwich, in 38 mins. Ringers for both touches as follows: E. H. Simpson 1, G. Duck 2, F. Davison 3, H. Davison 4, R. Umpleby 5, F. Kilshaw 6, W. Feather 7, H. Foster (conductor) 8.

**BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.**—On Sunday, for evening service 168 and 139 Grandsire Triples: H. Goodin 1, H. Sear (conductor) 2, F. Whitehead 3, A. Crane 4, W. Mead 5, E. Marks 6, H. Morris 7, F. Stanton 8.—416 Double Norwich: S. Smith 1, W. Sear 2, A. Markwell 3, W. Mead 4, J. Mead 5, H. Morris 6, F. Whitehead 7, H. Sear (conductor) 8.

**ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for evening service, 720 Woodbine: W. Bailey 1, W. White 2, M. Broomfield 3, A. White 4, E. Godley 5, R. Stredwick (conductor) 6. W. Bailey hails from Leiston, Suffolk.

**STONEY STRATFORD.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, at St. Giles' Church, for 10 o'clock service, 720 Durham Surprise. At Calverton, for 11 o'clock service, 720 Beverley Surprise: H. Tompkins, E. Yates, E. C. Lambert (conductor), W. W. Bonham, T. Tompkins, H. Edwards.

**COTGRAVE, NOTTS.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for choir and ringers' festival, and dedication of new chiming apparatus, 720 Double Court Minor: G. Allbones 1, W. E. White 2, W. Hickling 3, D. Burton 4, W. White (conductor) 5, T. Squires 6.

**TENTERDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for evening service, on the occasion of the visit of the Bishop of Croydon to unveil a memorial tablet, 518 of Grandsire Triples: Mrs. Baker 1, H. Want (first 500 inside) 2, H. Baker 3, C. Tribe 4, B. Baker 5, E. R. Burgess 6, L. Honess 7, J. Neve 8. Conducted by C. Tribe.

**FENSTANTON, HUNTS.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, at St. Peter's Church, for evensong, 720 Grandsire Doubles: S. J. Coleman (conductor) 1, L. J. Flint 2, T. Townsend 3, T. H. Townsend 4, H. Fields 5. Also three 120's, Miss K. Fields ringing the second.

**WANGLE LINES.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor: A. Rose 1, Percy Lakin 2, S. Woods 3, A. Pickwell 4, G. W. Houghton 5, J. W. Lakin, senr. (conductor), 6.

**BENINGTON, LINES.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: P. Lakin 1, S. Woods 2, J. W. Lakin, senr., 3, A. Pickwell 4, F. Hilton 5, G. W. Houghton (conductor) 6.

**BOW, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Mary's Parish Church, on Sunday evening, July 2nd, 830 Grandsire Triples, in 30 mins.: W. Riches 1, W. Tanner 2, R. Turner 3, J. Scholas 4, A. Scambler 5, W. A. Aips (conductor) 6, A. Baynes 7, T. Baker 8.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on Sunday, July 2nd, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. W. Pannett 1, E. J. Pannett 2, H. James (Lee) 3, T. A. Easterby 4, E. B. Crowder 5, C. Moulton (Lee) 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, A. E. Bennington 8.

**KINGSNORTH, KENT.**—On Sunday morning, July 2nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 43 mins., by: William Hodges 1, Sid Hopper 2, Fred Good (conductor) 3, Albert Mills 4, Fred Hodges 5. This is the first quarter-peal on an inside bell for Albert Mills.

**STANSTED, ESSEX.**—On July 2nd, for morning service, at St. Mary-the-Virgin, 420 Stedman Triples: G. Gray 1, A. Jordan 2, T. Jordan 3, W. Prior 4, G. Jordan 5, H. Watts 6, T. J. Watts (conductor) 7, J. Prior 8.

**HITCHIN, HERTS.**—Previous to evensong, on Sunday, July 2nd, a quarter-peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 52 mins.: H. W. Else 1, E. W. Day 2, E. J. Newell 3, L. Fidler 4, G. Wolfe 5, H. E. Day 6, G. T. Croft 7, W. J. Croft (conductor) 8.

**STOCKPORT.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, the ringers of St. George's Church, Stockport, rang a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, for evening service, as a compliment to the Vicar (the Rev. Canon Thorpe, B.D.) on his preferment to the Archdeaconry of Macclesfield. The ringers taking part in the ringing were as follows: T. Jackson 1, H. Meakin 2, W. Jackson 3, J. Mothershead 4, J. Marshall 5, G. R. Warburton 6, H. Jackson 7, T. Jackson 8.

**TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, at St. Peter's Church, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 43 mins.: F. Ballard 1, H. Markwell 2, W. Collison 3, Miss Orlebar 4, A. Richardson (composer and conductor) 6, H. Parkes 7, R. Rush 8. First quarter-peal as conductor.—Also, for evening service, an attempt for a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Major failed a few leads from home owing to a shift course: G. Thompson 1, F. White 2, H. Markwell 3, W. Latter 4, W. Collison 5, H. Harrington 6, H. Parkes 7, S. H. Green (conductor) 8.

**ILMINGTON.**—Four Shires Guild.—On Sunday, July 2nd, at St. Mary's Church, for evensong, 720 Grandsire Doubles: H. L. Terry 1, C. Matthews 2, T. F. Hands 3, C. Sabin (conductor) 4, G. H. Hands 5, S. M. Russell 6.

**TAUNTON, SOMERSET.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, July 2nd, for evening service, 531 Stedman Caters: S. Wyatt 1, H. J. Cread 2, A. Tout 3, E. Wyatt 4, H. Mockridge 5, J. Burge (conductor) 6, F. Sadd 7, Major J. H. B. Hesse (London) 8, W. White 9, J. Fowler 10. This was the last touch rung on the ten bells. They are now being taken down by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, to be augmented to twelve.

**STRETTON, CHESHIRE.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor (1,260 changes): S. Sage 1, H. Fairclough 2, E. Bostock 3, E. Jenkins 4, L. Bostock (conductor) 5, J. H. Davenport 6. 1st 720 as conductor.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for evening service, at St. Ann's Highgate, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: Miss K. Smith 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, A. C. V. Gasson 3, J. S. Hawkins 4, F. Smith 5, E. Prior 6, C. Matthews 7, T. Bevan 8.

**MARKET DEEPING.**—At the Parish Church, for morning service, July 2nd, 720 of Canterbury Pleasure: H. Hayes 1, A. Riggsall 2, H. M. Day (conductor) 3, H. Holmes 4, W. A. Day 5, G. H. Wells 6. First 720 in the method by all the band.

**FULHAM.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday evening, July 2nd, 1,239 Stedman Caters, in 48 mins.: J. W. Dräver 1, W. H. Wood 2, W. H. Hollier 3, W. E. Judd 4, A. Cutmore 5, G. C. Iles 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, A. Harding 8, H. A. Folkard 9, G. F. Edwards 10.

**EPHING, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, June 25th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): H. W. Hayes 1, G. Carter 2, G. H. Pightling 3, E. A. Bacon 4, J. Rann 5, W. H. Shute 6, E. Wightman (conductor) 7, W. Clark 8. Messrs. Wightman hails from Woodford, Pightling from Epping, the rest from Loughton.

## LATE NOTICES.

**MR. JAMES GEORGE** has removed to 4, Stirling Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Summer meeting will be held at Hexham and Corbridge, on Saturday, 29th July. Further particulars next week.—E. E. Ferry, Hon. Sec., 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea can be arranged for all those who notify me not later than Monday, July 24th.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**NOTICES.**

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Beddington, on Saturday, July 15th. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. at 1/- per head. All ringers welcome.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14A, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Twickenham on Saturday, July 15th, by permission of the Rev. Prebendary Prosser, M.A., and Churchwardens, who will entertain our members to tea. Ringing from 3 p.m.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The Annual Branch meeting will be held at Leyland, St. James', on July 15th; also a special meeting at Preston on July 22nd. Usual arrangements.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Edenham, on Saturday, July 15th. Bells available afternoon and evening. Tea provided at the Five Bells Inn, at 5 p.m.—S. Proctor, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

**ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at 'Abbey House,' Bury St. Edmunds, on Saturday, July 15th. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m. In the unavoidable absence of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, the sermon will be preached by the Archdeacon of Sudbury (President). Tea (provided by the President) at 'Abbey House' at 4.30. Meeting immediately afterwards. Cathedral bells (10), St. Mary's (8), Horringer (8), Rongham (6) and Fornham All Saints (5), available all day.—Herbert Drake, Sec., Ufford, Woodbridge.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Rainham on Saturday, July 15th. Bells available from 3 to 9 p.m. The Association service at 5, conducted by the curate-in-charge (Rev. Walton). Tea in the Church Hall at 1/3 per head, followed by business meeting.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Aldington on Saturday, July 15th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea provided.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—The Annual meeting and election of officers will be held at Raunds on July 15th. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—J. Nickerson, Dist. Sec., Halford Street, Thrapston.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The Monthly meeting will be held at Worsley on Saturday, July 15th. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 o'clock. Will members please turn up and make this one a success? —J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bispham (8 bells) on Saturday, July 15th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30. Visitors welcomed.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 32, Ormond Avenue, Blackpool, N.S.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at East Meon, on Saturday, July 15th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Business meeting after to receive representatives' report.—E. J. Harding, Dis. Sec., 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Luton District.—The next meeting will be held at Barton-le-Cley, on Saturday, July 15th. The bells (8) will be available from 3 p.m. Visitors heartily welcomed.—A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street North, Dunstable.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—A District meeting will be held at Cobham, on Saturday, July 15th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea and business meeting after.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Guilsborough District.—A Monthly meeting will be held at Clipstone, on Saturday, July 15th, usual arrangements.—W. Bott, Hon. Sec., Guilsborough.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting of the Bristol branch will be held at Watley, on Saturday, July 15th, at 2 p.m. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, the Rev. P. H. Cogswell officiating. Tea at the New Inn, Westerleigh, 6 p.m. Please notify Branch Secretary by July 10th.—M. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., Easton, Bristol.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Sandhurst on Saturday, July 15th; from 6 to 9 p.m.—J. White.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A midweek meeting will be held at Northaw on Thursday, July 20th. Bells available from 7 to 9 p.m. Nearest stations, Potters Bar and Cuffley (G.N. Rly.) from King's Cross or Broad Street. A pleasant ride by cycle.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on July 20th; Southwark Cathedral on the 18th; \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 25th; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 27th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerrill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual Festival will be held at Oxford, on Saturday, July 22nd (D.V.). Service in Cathedral 11.15, preacher, The Right Reverend Bishop Shaw. Business meeting in Chapter House immediately after service. Dinner in Christ Church dining hall at 1.30. Tickets 2/6 each to members, 3/- to non-members. Application for tickets to be made, accompanied by remittance to general Secretariat, not later than Wednesday, July 19th.—Richard T. Hibbert, Hon. Sec., Warren House Lodge, St. Peter's Avenue, Caversham.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District. A meeting of the above will be held at New Romney on Saturday, July 22nd, by kind permission of the Rector, Rev. Hugh South, who also sends a cordial invitation to the members to take tea with him. Ringing to commence at 2.30. Ringers' service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Will members kindly notify me of their intention to be present not later than Tuesday, July 18th?—C. Tribe, Hon. Dist. Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.**—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Moorside, July 22nd. Bells not available on the 29th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting at 7.—Sam Booth, Hon. Sec., 134, Union Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District. — Quarterly meeting will be held at Chilvers Coton, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available 3.30. Service in the Church 5.30. Tea and meeting afterwards; gentlemen invited. Names to be sent in not later than Wednesday, 19th, to Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Gloucester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Longney on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (8) available from 3.30. Special motor leaves Commercial Road, Gloucester, at 3 o'clock. Service in church 4.30. Tea in Schools 5 o'clock. Visitors welcome.—A. Allan Bennett, Branch Sec., Newton House, London Road, Gloucester.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Dorchester Branch.—The Summer meeting will be held at Hilton on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (also Milton Abbey) from 2 p.m. Guild service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. All ringers welcome.—C. H. Jennings, Ashton Court Hospital, Bristol.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Martley on Saturday, July 22nd. Service at 4.30 prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Tea will be provided for those who notify me by the Wednesday previous.—R. G. Knowles, Branch Sec., Madresfield, Malvern.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Thurleigh on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available at 2.30. Tea at 5. All friends and ringers heartily welcomed.—H. L. Harlow, Dist. Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Bushey Heath on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at 'The Laurels' at 5 p.m. for all who notify me of their intention of being present. Short service at 6 p.m., followed by business meeting.—H. Eden, Hon. Sec. Watford Division, 11, Pinner Road, Watford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Horwich Parish Church on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next Meeting will be held at Campsall, on July 22nd. Eight bells ready early. Tea provided for those who notify me before the 18th. A good attendance is desired.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held at Cradley, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available at 3 p.m.—A Davis, Branch Sec., 29, Hampton Street, Netherton, Dudley.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A Meeting of this branch will be held at Sharnford, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next Meeting will be held at Wickwar, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 3 p.m.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Henley District.—A Meeting will be held at Holbrook, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells ready at 2 p.m.—Rev. Wm. C. Pearson, District Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The summer Quarterly meeting will be held at Eynsford, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells at 3 p.m. Service and address by Rev. T. Mummery (Vicar) at 5 p.m. If members desirous of tea will send their names to me by Tuesday, 18th, I will try and arrange same. Half fares up to 2s. paid at this meeting.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—A Meeting will be held at Harpenden, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea arrangements will be made. All ringers welcome.—Wm. Nash, District Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

**SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL.**—The reopening of the Cathedral Bells, will take place on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 3 to 7 p.m. All ringers welcome.—W. Lomas, Sec., 4, Montgomery Terrace Road, Sheffield.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—A combined practice in Surprise methods only will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, July 22nd. Tower open at 3 p.m. Surprise ringers please note.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**LONDON. — ST. CLEMENT'S YOUTHS.**—St. Clement Danes, Strand, W.C.—Practice every Wednesday, 6.30 till 8 o'clock. Ringing Sunday mornings, July 23rd and 30th, to till eleven o'clock. Business meeting, Wednesday, July 26th, at 8 p.m.—F. W. H. Sergison, Hon. Sec.

**COMBE PARISH CHURCH,** North Devon.—The new ring of eight bells will be dedicated on Wednesday, July 26th, at 2 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. H. Hayward, Gas Office, Combe Martin, North Devon.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Lichfield on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available—Cathedral (10) 3 to 3.45 and 6 to 7.30; St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3 o'clock. Service in Cathedral at 4. Tea at Lloyd's restaurant at 4.50—to fully paid members 1/-, to others 1/9; general meeting to follow. Please send word not later than Tuesday, 25th inst.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.



**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.  
—The next Branch meeting will be held at Darwen, on Saturday, July 29th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33 Langham Road, Blackburn.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Horsell, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.40. Tea and meeting to follow. Gentlemen welcome. Will those requiring tea notify me not later than Tuesday, July 25th?—Hilda F. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Eastern Division.—An extra Meeting will be held at Ardleigh, on Saturday, the 29th July. Service at Parish Church 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m., when all ringers will be entertained by the kind invitation of H. R. Neuth, Esq. All members wishing to be present at tea please notify me by Monday, July 24th.—R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec., 12, Ireton Road, Colchester. Will all Secretaries of Companies note the change of address?

**SALTBURN.**—Jubilee of dedication of Parish Church. Special Services July 30 and Aug. 6th. Ringing from 9.30 a.m. and 5 p.m. The tower will also be open for ringing from 2 p.m. on July 29th and Aug. 5th. All ringers welcome. Tea (1s. 6d.) arranged for all who give notice beforehand.—G. A. Peck, Eden Corner, Saltburn.

**NORTHWOLD, NORFOLK.**—By kind permission of the Rector, the re hung eight bells will be open for ringing on August Bank Holiday.—F. R. Borrett.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The reopening of Boyne Hill Bells, Maidenhead, will take place on August Bank Holiday. Evening service and tea, see further notice of details.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Mr. Albert Wright, Ivy Cottage, Pitchcombe, near Stroud, Glos, is the appointed Hon. Peal Secretary. Conductors of peals must send to him full particulars, fees and composition immediately peal has been rung.—Edgar Guise, General Hon. Sec.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. William Pye has removed to 74, Cecil Road, Leytonstone, E.11.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

**'GRANDSIRE DOUBLES & TRIPLES SIMPLY EXPLAINED.'**—Intended for beginners and for those who find the ordinary books of instruction too technical. To be obtained from I. Roe and M. Broome, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath. Price 6d.; post free 6½d.; 5/9 a dozen, post free.

#### DEATH.

**WILLEY.**—On the 6th July at 110, Petre Street, Sheffield, suddenly from pneumonia, Emily, the beloved wife of Frank Willey, aged 66 years.

#### SITUATIONS WANTED.

Clerk, ex-service (24), seeks situation. London or Warwick districts preferred (not essential). Experienced book-keeper, storekeeper, typist. Ring Surprise 8 bells. Accept low salary to get with good band. Excellent refs.—Box 4, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

Ex-serviceman, 25, seeks situation as Chauffeur or Under-Chauffeur, willing to make himself useful. Good refs. Good ringer of Treble Bob Major and Surprise Minor.—Reply, Box number 10, 'Ringing World' Office.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

Beautiful set of 21 HANDBELLS for Sale. Price £10. — J. Ward, Latchmere, Worthing Road, Basingstoke.

Peal of 12 Handbells in A. Condition as good as new. Just the thing for tower work.—Apply, Mrs. Trinder, Green Lane, Church Street, Upper Walmer.

GET YOUR  
RINGING  
FRIENDS  
TO SUPPORT

**THE RINGING  
WORLD**

BY  
TAKING  
A COPY  
EVERY  
WEEK.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,  
COVENTRY.**

#### PUBLICATION.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'** — THE RINGING CAREER OF  
LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton,  
Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to  
XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers  
I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in  
cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair-  
Home, Wokingham.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.  
GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.  
STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.  
STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.  
TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.  
PART II.—At present out of print.  
DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.  
All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

**JOHN PRITCHARD,**  
Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½ in. 3½ in. 3¾ in. 4 in. 4½ in. 5 in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 75/- 95/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 35/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING  
**WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Gals-  
ford, and Published by The Roll House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 592. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, JULY 21st, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 8d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### MORE COUNCIL TOPICS.

Just before the Central Council met at Lincoln, we took the opportunity of making in this column three suggestions, which we thought the Council might well adopt, and it is gratifying to find that they all commended themselves to the members. The desirability of publishing the collection of Plain Major methods has already been referred to. Another matter upon which the Council, at the recommendation of the Standing Committee took action, was that of placing upon permanent record the names of the ringers who were killed or who died in the war. The exact method by which this shall be done is not definitely settled, but unless the cost should prove to be unduly excessive it is probable that the names will be engrossed upon parchment. The Council having decided that a permanent record shall be placed in the Library, we hope the suggestion of Mr. A. L. Coleman will be acted upon, and a careful revision of the names made before the list comes finally to be written. Sufficient time has now elapsed to enable the record to be made an accurate and complete one, and Association secretaries should take early steps to see that the names they have already sent in are carefully revised. Another point might also be borne in mind by the Council, and that is the desirability of avoiding the duplication of names in the case of ringers who belonged to more than one Association.

The third, and as we think, the most important of the matters in which the Council adopted our suggestions, was the decision to communicate officially to the affiliated Associations the business transacted at the Council meetings. As we have more than once pointed out, there was no definite channel of communication between the central body and the organisations which send representatives. In some cases the representatives were called upon to report upon the Council's doings, in others there was no such proceeding; while, where an Association for some reason was unrepresented, there was no means of obtaining a direct report. There was, certainly, the record of the proceedings published in our columns, but this, of course, was in no sense an official communication. We are glad, therefore, that the Council has decided to take the action we recommended, and for the future it is to be hoped the various Associations will more fully recognise that they have a very direct interest in the Council.

The various decisions taken by the central body will now come before every affiliated body, and if, as one member pointed out, the agenda of the annual general meeting of an Association is too crowded to admit of consideration of the Council's report, it can very well be delegated to the district meetings, where more opportunity

(Continued on page 450.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 155, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

might be found for discussing the report. At the same time, those who find their annual agenda too much congested to enable the Council's report to be considered as a whole, and who have therefore passed it on to the districts, should take care to see that those subjects with which they ought to concern themselves find a place in the business of the general meeting.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

WALTHAMSTOW, E.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5031 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

JOHN H. WILKINS ... .. Treble	ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. ... 6
JAMES C. ADAMS ... .. 2	ALFRED PRIOR ... .. 7
HENRY ROMENS ... .. 3	GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. 8
HAROLD A. EDWARDS ... .. 4	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 9
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 5	WILLIAM H. FREEMAN ... Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. Conducted by CHAS. T. COLES.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of the men of Walthamstow who laid down their lives during the Great War. Rung after the ceremonies of the unveiling and dedication of the town's cenotaph, which were performed by H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, K.G., and the Bishop of Barking.

EWERBY, LINCOLNSHIRE,  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

#### A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

*GEORGE ALMONDS ... .. Treble	*CHARLES MCGUINNESS ... 6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 2	*H. LESLIE PASK ... .. 7
*LEWIS SNELL ... .. 3	JOHN T. HOLMES ... .. 8
*HAROLD MARCON ... .. 4	WILLIAM DICKINSON ... .. 9
FREDERICK W. STOKES ... .. 5	JOHN W. WOOD ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal of Royal. Rung on the 38th anniversary of W. Dickinson's wedding day.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

ALFRED C. PANKHURST ... Treble	*GEORGE PIPER ... .. 6
A. YORK BRAMBLE ... .. 2	*BENJAMIN HOBBS ... .. 7
EDWARD BRAY ... .. 3	ROBERT J. DAWE ... .. 8
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 4	ALFRED TURNER ... .. 9
JOHN JAY ... .. 5	THOMAS DEADMAN ... Tenor

Composed by JAMES GEORGE. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. This peal was arranged as a birthday compliment to Mr. Dawe, sen., and Mr. R. J. Dawe, which took place on July 12th.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BESOM, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL ONE-PART.

ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. Treble	EDWARD T. GROVE ... .. 5
JOHN WYATT ... .. 2	CHARLES E. READ ... .. 6
JOHN BEAMS ... .. 3	GEORGE COOK ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. CORBETT ... .. 4	DAVID ANSCOMBE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. CORBETT.

Rung for the wedding of the Vicar (Rev. Neville G. Stiff), which was solemnised at the above church.

## PUNGAY, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

EDWIN R. GOATE ... .. Treble	CHARLES F. SAYER ... .. 5
ERNEST LINCOLN ... .. 2	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 6
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. 3	HERBERT PIERCY ... .. 7
ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... .. 4	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. FLEMING. Conducted by E. R. GOATE.

## PULFORD, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Thursday, June 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.

*WILLIAM A. SALISBURY ... Treble	FRANK FOX ... .. 5
HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 2	GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 6
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 3	†WILLIAM CLARKE ... .. 7
JOHN HAYES ... .. 4	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method with a bob bell. R. Sperring's 500th peal and 100th peal as conductor.

## HACKINGTON, CANTERBURY.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, June 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 11 cwt.

GEORGE JENKINS ... .. Treble	FRED G. BRETT ... .. 5
*W. UNWIN ... .. 2	W. E. PITMAN ... .. 6
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE ... 3	C. W. BRETT ... .. 7
E. G. BUESDEN ... .. 4	NORTON W. PIERCE ... Tenor

Conducted by E. G. BUESDEN.

Rung with the bells half-muffled for the late Rector (Rev. P. P. Somerville, Rector of Goodnestone), who was interred at Goodnestone on this date. \* First peal in the method.

## IDLE, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, July 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr.

*HORACE BUCKLEY ... .. Treble	*RALPH UMPLEBY ... .. 5
ERNEST H. SIMPSON ... .. 2	*FRED KILSHAW ... .. 6
*FRED DAVISON ... .. 3	*WILLIAM FEATHER ... .. 7
*HARRY DAVISON ... .. 4	†HARRY FOSTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by H. FOSTER.

First peal of Plain Bob Major on the bells. All ringers are local men except ringer of the 2nd, who hails from Shipley. Horace Buckley was proposed a member of the Association before commencing.

\* First peal. † First peal of Plain Bob Major and first as conductor.

## CARDIFF.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 27 cwt.

*WILLIAM RICHARD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM HEATH ... .. 5
FREDERICK SMITH ... .. 2	FREDERICK VILES ... .. 6
ERNEST HUNT ... .. 3	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 7
ERNEST COMBES ... .. 4	SEYMOUR BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by FREDERICK VILES.

\* First peal. Rung for evening service, all the above being regular Sunday ringers: rung also in honour of the wedding of Henry West (one of the local ringers), who was married the day previous in London.

## NORTHAMPTON.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

## A PEAL OF ERIN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

*FRED HOPPER ... .. Treble	JOHN HENSMAN ... .. 5
BERTIE O. SODEN ... .. 2	THOMAS LAW ... .. 6
JOHN METHERELL ... .. 3	TOM TEBBUTT ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. 4	ALFRED MONK ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.  
First peal in the method on the bells, by all the band and for the Association. \* 100th peal for the Association and has now rung a peal on every bell in the tower.

## DORCHESTER, OXON.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(OXFORD SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, July 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

MRS. ALBERT LOCK ... .. Treble	WILLIAM HARRIS ... .. 5
EDGAR HUMFREY ... .. 2	*VICTOR BENNETT ... .. 6
FRANCIS TAYLOR ... .. 3	ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS ... 4	GORDON CADEWELL ... Tenor

Composed by J. FLEMING. Conducted by ALBERT E. LOCK.

\* First peal of Major.

## WOOLWICH.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 2	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 6
WILLIAM PYE ... .. 3	HARRY KILBY ... .. 7
FRED WILFORD ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

## SHOREHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... Treble	EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 2	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. 6
EDMUND BATES ... .. 3	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 7
ISAAC EMERY ... .. 4	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. Tenor

Composed by J. HUNT. Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.  
First peal in the method on the bells, and the first peal since re-hanging by Messrs. Groombridge and Palmer.

RUARDEAN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb.

*ALFRED T. POULTON ... Treble	WILLIAM BISHOP ... .. 5
JOHN J. BEVAN ... .. 2	ERNEST MATTHEWS ... .. 6
SIDNEY T. RACKHAM ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. 7
JAMES BISHOP ... .. 4	GEORGE WILKS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM POSTON.

\* First peal on eight bells. First peal of Triples as conductor.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**



WORCESTER.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 18½ cwt.

SIDNEY T. HOLT ... .. Treble	JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... .. 5
*GEOFFREY LEWIS ... .. 2	WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 6
ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. JONES ... .. 4	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM PAGE.

\* First peal in a Surprise method.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.  
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17½ cwt.

WILLIAM L. GOFTON ... .. Treble	R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 5
JAMES E. GOFTON ... .. 2	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 6
GEORGE R. HOLMES ... .. 3	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... .. 7
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled for the unveiling of the local cenotaph by the Duke of Northumberland.

LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

*BERTIE S. NEWSON ... .. Treble	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 5
BEN S. THOMPSON ... .. 2	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 6
†GEORGE CLAYTON ... .. 3	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... .. 7
†HARRY WRIGHT ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Treble Bob 'inside.' † First peal of Treble Bob Major.

EYE, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM ROSE ... .. Treble	ERNEST LINCOLN ... .. 5
ALFRED OAKES ... .. 2	HARRY MOSS ... .. 6
WILLIAM CLOVER ... .. 3	FREDERICK BRUNNING ... .. 7
ALFRED BERRY ... .. 4	ERNEST POPPY ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled after a memorial service as a token of respect to Mr. Fred Day, who was laid to rest the previous Thursday.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

GAYWOOD, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of 2,520 Kent and 2,520 Oxford.

FRED MITCHELL ... .. Treble	W. R. MITCHELL ... .. 4
CAPT. B. M. TARGETT ... .. 2	TOM GREENAM ... .. 5
R. E. GREENAM ... .. 3	G. HAWES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by TOM GREENAM.

A peal of Stedman Triples (5,040 changes), rung at Aunsey, Leicestershire, has been received without the conductor's name.

ELSTREE, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 7 cwt.

WILLIAM SEBLEY ... .. Treble	HOBERT EDEN ... .. 4
MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... .. 2	ARTHUR W. DIX ... .. 5
HAROLD G. CASHMORE ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... .. Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT.

First peal of Surprise Minor on the bells. First peal in the method by all the band and the Association.

CALVERTON, DUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BOCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of London, Wells, Canterbury, York, Durham, Beverley and Cambridge. Tenor 11 cwt.

*HERBERT E. TOMKINS ... .. Treble	†WALTER W. BONHAM ... .. 4
EDWIN YATES ... .. 2	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS ... .. 5
ERNEST C. LAMBERT ... .. 3	HERBERT C. EDWARDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. C. LAMBERT.

\* First peal of Minor. † First peal of Surprise on an 'inside' bell. First peal of Surprise as conductor.

ALLESLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.  
(ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

*FREDERICK C. SANDERS ... .. Treble	GEORGE GARDNER ... .. 4
HARRY O. WHITE ... .. 2	JOHN TAYLOR ... .. 5
FRED GARDNER ... .. 3	JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. W. WHITE.

\* First peal. Rung on the occasion of the golden wedding of Mr. A. Harris, who has been sexton of the above parish for 50 years, also for the enthronement of the Lord Bishop of Coventry.

BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

*RICHARD BRADLEY ... .. Treble	ROBERT BIRCHALL ... .. 4
HERBERT LODKIN ... .. 2	JOHN EVANS ... .. 5
JOHN COOKE ... .. 3	SYDNEY F. BARNES ... .. Tenor

SAMUEL MORTON covering.

Conducted by H. LODKIN.

\* First peal and first attempt. Rung after meeting short for Triples.

EATON SOCON, BEDS.  
THE LINGOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

*WILFRED C. IBBETT ... .. Treble	THOMAS TOWNSEND ... .. 4
SIDNEY J. PECK ... .. 2	SYDNEY J. COLEMAN ... .. 5
WALTER SMITH ... .. 3	HERBERT FIELDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by S. J. COLEMAN.

\* First peal. Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar (the Rev. E. P. Higham), whose institution and induction took place the previous evening.

BWHURST, SURREY.—On Friday evening, June 23rd, for practice, a 720 of Canterbury Pleasure Minor was rung by the following: E. Warner 1, A. J. Bull 2, W. Denyer 3, W. Tidy 4, H. Tidy 5, T. W. Denyer (conductor) 6.—1st 720 of Canterbury by the ringers of 1, 3 and 5.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 9, 1922, in One Hour and Forty-Six Minutes,  
IN THE CHURCH ROOMS,**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently.

*WALTER JARVIS... .. 1	FREDERICK MORTLOCK ... 3
FRANK TURNER ... .. 2	LAWRENCE POULSON ... .. 4
STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... 5-6	

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

\* First peal.

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, July 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. F. J. JOHNSON,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 11 in G.

MISS NELLY JOHNSON ... 1-2	JOSEPH D. JOHNSON ... .. 5-6
*GEOFFERY J. HEMMING ... 3-4	JAMES HEMMING ... .. 7-8
FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... 9-10	

Composed and Conducted by JOSEPH D. JOHNSON.

Witness: MISS AMY JOHNSON.

\* First peal of Caters 'in hand.' First handbell peal on an 'inside' pair by the ringers of 3-4 and 7-8. Rung as a birthday compliment to G. J. Hemming.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

ON THE LAWN AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. J. J. JONES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 14 in D.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 1-2	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3-4	MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

Witnesses: MR. &amp; MRS. JONES, MRS. MELVILLE and MRS. POLLING.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Jones on the third anniversary of their marriage. The conductor's 100th peal of Grandsire Triples 'in hand.'

HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

**A PEAL OF PREMIER SURPRISE MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.

Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

First peal in the method to be tapped on handbells. Performed to celebrate the centenary of the Parish Church.

**BARNESLEY & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**

A monthly meeting was held on Saturday, 15th, at Wortley, near Sheffield. Many members from various districts attended, in spite of incessant rain. The methods rung numbered 23, probably a record for the association at one meeting. Tea was kindly arranged by Mr. W. Wooller. The usual business followed, with votes of thanks. An invitation to meet at Crofton, on Saturday, August 12th, was accepted.

**Bell Ropes**

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.****RINGERS' OUTINGS.**

ALL SAINTS', FEERING.

On Saturday, July 1st, the ringers of All Saints', Feering, accompanied by the Vicar (Prebendary A. E. Dalton) and Mr. W. Lewis (organist), Mr. W. Elliott (Kelvedon) and Mr. E. W. Beckwith (Coggeshall), held their first annual outing. Leaving Feering, by motor brake, the following places were visited: Rayne (6), Stebbing (6), Felstead (8), Great Bardfield (6) and Finchingfield (8). Short touches were rung at each tower to enable all to have a ring at each place. After dinner Dunmow was visited. Tea was partaken of at Finchingfield, and several touches were brought round. Mr. J. Sheppard, of Swindon, also met the party at Rayne. The party take this opportunity of thanking the various incumbents for the use of the bells, and also Mr. W. Smith, of Dunmow, for the arrangements made.

ST. MARY'S, SOUTHAMPTON.

On Wednesday, July 5th, the ringers of St. Mary's, Southampton, together with their wives and friends, including Mr. and Mrs. George Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Ryves, of Curdridge, had their annual outing to Brighton. On the way stops were made at Chichester and Arundel. At Arundel an attempt for a touch of Stedman was made, but owing to the 3rd rope slipping wheel, it had to be abandoned. The bells were lowered. Brighton was reached by lunch time. After tea, the ringers were met by Mr. K. Hart and friends and proceeded to the belfry of St. Peter's, Brighton, and with their help, touches of Stedman Triples, Bob Major and courses of Grandsire Caters and Cambridge Surprise Major were brought round. The ringers wish to thank those who did so much to make the outing a success, especially Mr. Keith Hart and company, who turned out in the rain to meet them, and helped with the ringing.

GRIMSBY SOCIETIES.

Grimsby St. James' and St. Andrew's ringing societies once more joined forces for the annual outing. It was decided to visit the Dukeries, and on July 6th a party of 33, including wives and friends, journeyed by charabanc to Gainsborough. The ringing arrangements included visits to the towers at Retford, Workson and Newark. Upon arrival at Retford, the party were met by Mr. Haigh and Mr. Segar, and soon the bells were going to Grandsire and Stedman Caters. Workson was next visited, where dinner was provided followed by ringing at the Priory Church. Stedman Triples were brought round, and Double Norwich got going, when a broken rope closed the proceedings. The next portion of the drive was through the Dukeries. Newark was reached, and, following tea, ringing commenced, Grandsire Caters being brought round. Little time was available for the use of Newark's very fine peal of ten. The party are grateful to Mr. Haigh, Mr. Segar and Mr. Thrale for conducting the ringers to their several towers, to those who had all the arrangements in hand, for the success of the day's outing, and to the clergy for the use of their bells.

ST. MARY ABBOTS, KENSINGTON.

On Saturday, July 1st, the ringers of St. Mary Abbots, and wives and friends, left High Street, Kensington, by charabanc at 7 a.m. for the City of Oxford. A stop was made at Henley, Oxford being reached about 11 a.m. The party made for Christchurch College and Cathedral, being met by Mr. H. Miles. Up into the old belfry they made their way, where the fine peal of twelve were soon swinging to Stedman Cinques and Caters, which was thoroughly enjoyed, and created a keen appetite. After lunch the party went to New College, being welcomed by Mr. Finch, and touches of Treble Ten and Stedman Caters on this lovely peal of ten was topping. Mr. Payne kindly met us at Merton College. The belfry forms a gallery above the chapel, and is quite a unique experience to ring under such extraordinary conditions. Stedman Triples and Double Norwich were successfully brought round on this heavy eight. The library of the college was visited, and to this day some of the old books are still chained to the shelves. Some were brave enough to venture still higher, and climbed to the top of the tower to enjoy a good view of the city; 4.15 had arrived, so a start for Dorchester was made, where Skipper Garrard had tea at the George waiting for them. The party then crossed over to Dorchester Abbey, where they found a magnificent peal of eight bells, which were soon rolling to Stedman Triples, Kent Treble and Superlative, while others were able to admire the very ancient interior. Those who have heard them will, we feel sure, be constrained to murmur with Poe: Barnes (with the alteration of one

How sweet the swells of Dorchester Bells!

The best thanks of the party are tendered to Mr. Miles (Oxford), Mr. Payne (Merton) and Mr. Finch (New College), and to the local friends at Dorchester for their efforts in making the outing so enjoyable, and, lastly, to the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, for obtaining the necessary permission to ring.

## WYKE REGIS SOCIETY.

On Saturday, July 8th, the members held their annual outing. A trip was made by charabanc through Wimborne, Lyndhurst, the New Forest, to Bournemouth.

A start was made at 7 o'clock, and Sturminster Marshall, the first stopping-place, was reached just before nine. Touches were rung on the fine peal of six. A brief halt at Wimborne, to look over the Minster, was made. Ringwood was then reached, where, after a touch of Grandsire, the party were kindly entertained to light refreshment by the Vicar (the Rev. Binney). Lyndhurst, in the New Forest, was next visited, and lunch at the Stag Hotel was successfully brought round. At Christ Church the party were met by some of the local ringers, and touches of Grandsire (not Calers) brought round. Tea at Beale's Restaurant, Bournemouth, was very acceptable. The older members of the party proceeded to St. John's, where permission to ring had been obtained. They were met by Mr. Bennett, Mr. Townsend (Poole), and a very pleasant surprise, Mr. W. A. Cave and Mr. P. W. Cave, who were visiting Bournemouth. This peal was much appreciated, and touches of Stedman and Grandsire were rung. A start was then made for home, which was reached after a most enjoyable day, notwithstanding the inclement weather. Regret was expressed that Mrs. Jennings (secretary) was unavoidably absent. The Guild wish to thank the respective incumbents for the use of their bells, and also the local ringers, who had everything in readiness.

## RUSHEY AND OXHEY SOCIETIES.

For the third year in succession, the combined outing of the above societies took place on Saturday, July 8th, the place visited being Reading and district. Leaving Bushey at 8 a.m., stops were made at Oxhey and Watford, the party being joined by Mr. O. E. Read (people's warden at Bushey) and Mr. W. H. L. Buckingham, ex-President of the Herts Association, the early pioneer of ringing in this district. Slough was reached, after a pleasant drive, and the Church of St. Mary, with its fine tower and spire, was immediately visited. Mr. Leader had the bells in readiness, a handy ring (tenor 17 cwt.), which were soon going to touches of Grandsire, Stedman Triples, courses of Superlative, and London Surprise Major. An interesting feature of this church is the Futurist windows in the west end, stated to be unique in this country. The party then proceeded to Reading, via Maidenhead and Twyford. Mr. R. V. Rumball here joined the party, as guide, philosopher, and friend. Dinner was served at Burden's Restaurant, the plates being kept 'in-course' throughout, although a large amount of 'shifting' was done. The next move was to St. Mary Butts, with its peal of eight heavy bells (tenor 28 cwt.). A wedding was being solemnised, and the happy couple were rung out with a course of London Surprise, followed by Superlative and Stedman Triples.—The Vicar entered the belfry, and gave the members a cordial welcome, with a happy little speech. St. Giles', with the useful peal from the Whitechapel Foundry, the tenor weighing 15 cwt., was next visited, Stedman Triples and Cambridge Surprise being rung. The well-kept ringing chamber could be greatly improved by more ventilation. The party then visited St. Lawrence, with its fine peal of ten bells (tenor 24 cwt.). Here they found Mr. W. H. Newell, aged 84, awaiting them as keen as ever. Mr. E. P. Duffell then joined us, and further strengthened the party. Touches of Stedman Calers and a course of Bristol Surprise on the back eight concluded the ringing. Tea was very welcome after an arduous afternoon. The Rector of Bushey (the Rev. G. M. Hall, M.A.) joined them. After tea, Mr. H. Simmonds kindly obtained the use of Caversham bells, this tower not having been previously available, where touches of Stedman Triples, Cambridge and London Surprise Major were rung. The return journey was made via Henley and Marlow, a convivial half-hour being spent at Beaconsfield, all agreeing that a most enjoyable day had been spent. The best thanks of the party are due to the various incumbents for the use of the bells, the tower keepers for having everything in readiness, and other friends who kindly assisted.

## THORNHAM MAGNA.

On Saturday, July 15th, the band of ringers, connected with Thornham Magna Church, held their annual outing. In spite of bad weather, Worthingworth was reached early in the morning, and a course each of Oxford, Kent and Double Norwich Major were rung. Stradbroke was next visited, and courses of Kent were rung, and a touch of Bob Major. Wingfield was reached, and courses of Kent, Cambridge, London and College Exercise were brought round with the local band. At Fressingfield a touch of Kent and a course of Bob Major, Oxford and Cambridge were rung, while at Weybread the company rang courses of Oxford, York and Durham Surprise. Alburgh was next visited, where Oxford and Double Norwich were rung. At Redenhall the party rang a touch each of Double Norwich and Oxford, and a course of Cambridge. After having tea at Harleston, Starston

was reached, where courses of Hull, Bournemouth, Wells and Oxford were brought round. The last tower to be visited was Pullham Market, and here the party rung a touch of Double Norwich and courses of Kent, Superlative and Cambridge. The company wish to thank the Rectors, and others, of the various churches, who made the outing such a happy and enjoyable one.

## BECCELES COMPANY.

On Saturday, July 15th, twelve members of the Beccles company, accompanied by Mr. D. Hayward, of Yarmouth, held their outing. In spite of very wet weather, Beccles was left at 9.15 a.m., and Framlingham was reached at 11 o'clock. After some delay, touches of Oxford, Plain and Stedman, were brought round, and then a start was made for Eye, where, after a hearty luncheon, half-muffled touches were rung as a token of respect to the late Mr. F. Day. After this the band left for Palgrave, and was grateful to Mr. C. More for having everything in readiness for them. The bells were soon going to Plain and Stedman, followed by an unsuccessful attempt for Double Norwich. The company went on to Diss, where, after tea, touches of Kent, Plain and Stedman were brought round. A start was then made for home, after a very successful and enjoyable outing.—The best thanks of the band are due to the officials for permission to ring at the various churches, and the local ringers who assisted them.

## ST. JAMES' GUILD, MANGOTSFIELD.

On Saturday, July 15th, the members and friends, accompanied by the Vicar, held their annual outing. A start was made from St. James' Church by charabanc. The party proceeded via Keynsham to Wells, where a halt was made, and a visit was paid to the fine Cathedral, and other places of interest. The company then enjoyed an excellent lunch. They then proceeded to Glastonbury, where they were met by Mr. Trim and Mr. Marsh, of Street, who had the bells of St. John in readiness for them. Touches of Grandsire Triples were brought round, and Street was then visited. Here the company enjoyed an excellent tea, after which they paid a visit to the Parish Church, where some of the local ringers were met. The bells were soon going to a few good touches of Grandsire Triples. The party wishes to thank the Vicars of St. John, Glastonbury, and Street, for the use of the bells; and Messrs. Trim and Marsh for the enjoyable time spent with them. A start was made for home, and the company enjoyed a happy journey and a delightful outing.

## ST. JOHN'S, LEYTONSTONE.

The above company resumed their annual two-days' outing for the first time since pre-war days. The train was taken for Colchester, and during the journey touches of Bob Major on the handbell, soon brought us to Colchester, where we were met by that well-known ringer, Mr. W. J. Nevard, of Great Bentley, who, with his son, conducted us round with two motor-cars for the two days' tour.

Great Horkeley was soon reached, and operations commenced. The Church of All Saints contains a peal of six bells, which were soon going to 'Beverly Surprise'—the 720 coming round at 8.15. The 720 of Cambridge was rung; then we went on to Little Horkeley, where hangs a very light ring of five. Several 120's Grandsire were rung. This is a very ancient and interesting old church, in a side chapel, of which was noticed three effigies of Crusaders, carved in wood.

Next on the list was Wormingford, where we had a ring of six (tenor about 12 cwt.). 720 each of Ipswich and York Surprise was rung before proceeding to Bures. The Church of St. Mary contains a sweet-toned ring of six (tenor 21 cwt.), rehung by Bowell, of Ipswich last year, and go well. 720 each of London and Wells Surprise was rung, after which we adjourned to the Swan Hotel for dinner. The repast over, a move was made to the historical church at Neyland, the ring of six there going a bit lumpy (tenor 16 cwt.). 720 Durham Surprise was rung, but Carlisle was lost.

St. Mary's, Stoke, was next visited, and proved to be a tough job, the ring of six (tenor 25 cwt.) going anything but well. However, 720 Lincoln Surprise was rung, time not allowing for more than 240 Cambridge, as our pilot was after keeping us strictly to programme.

After tea, at Stoke, we made our way to Polstead, where 720 London and York Surprise was rung. After this, our next place was headquarters, the Gunn Inn, Dedham, where Mr. W. Sterry (a ringer) had made splendid provision for our stay. Local ringers were there to welcome us, among whom one of our band recognised his father; and a very good time we had with handbells and other amusements before supper and bed.

Sunday morning we were early astir—preparations having been made to ring at St. Mary's, Langham, for 8 o'clock service. Soon the sweet-toned ring of six were going to London Surprise, Mr. E. Smith calling it from the tenor, while his father rang the treble, believed to be the first in the method on the bells. 720 each of York and Cambridge were rung (in which the local men rang the treble) before returning for breakfast.

Stratford St. Mary was on the list for 11 o'clock—a grand ring of six (tenor 18 cwt.) were soon going to York, but Lincoln was lost. Some of the party paid a visit to the quaint old Bell Cage of East Bergholt, and it proved well worth the visit. The great pity of it is that this grand ring of five bells (tenor 28 cwt.) should remain on the ground for so many years, instead of being in a lofty tower.

High St. Mary was visited before dinner, and a very good 720 of Norwich was rung, Durham being lost when 20 changes from home, after two had shared in the conducting.

Dinner and touches on handbells brought round the time for leaving Dedham.

We concluded with St. Peter's, Colchester, and for evening service a good touch of 576 Supercatative Surprise and 588 Stedman Triples on the grand ring. This brought our ringing to a close.

Our best thanks are due to Mr. Nevard for his splendid arrangements, and to Mr. Sterry for making us so welcome; to all the local ringers for meeting us and having the bells ready; also to the various clergy and church authorities for so readily granting us permission to ring.

### RECORD LENGTHS.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—In his letter on this subject, Mr. Phillott refers to what I have overlooked. I have overlooked nothing. Mr. Phillott is the person who overlooks; I seldom overlook anything. Any fair-minded man must admit that physical endurance, coupled with mental endurance, must be a greater strain than mental endurance alone. During my long experience I have never seen a ringer collapse under mental strain, but I have seen many do so under physical strain, which is sufficient proof that physical strain is the most trying. With regard to Mr. Phillott's 'dig' about Mr. Morriss' tapped peals of London, if he had any wish to say anything in the matter he had the opportunity when it was being discussed, and should have said it then.

Mr. Williams talks about recent letters containing painful reading. There was nothing to pain him in what I have said, and he is not helping to mend matters. He has been more fortunate than I have, and has not been subjected to so much unfair criticism. You cannot be friendly with folks who won't let you. I take Mr. Williams' opinion on long lengths for what it is worth. He has never rung a long length, and, therefore, is not in a position to express an opinion. Skill will always overcome tricky small bells, but it requires both skill and strength to ring big ones. I would remind Mr. Williams that I am not the person who started quibbling about weight. I merely stated facts, which will stand more battering than forts.—  
Yours truly, W. PYE.

### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the Manchester Branch was held at Worsley on Saturday, July 15th, and was well attended by a large company of ringers. The church contains a good peal of bells, in splendid going order, and were kept ringing till the time of the business meeting. Mr. P. Derbyshire, leader of the local ringers, took the chair, and gave a hearty welcome to the visitors, saying how pleased he was to see such a large number present.—The minutes of the last meeting were passed as read, on the proposition of Mr. H. Chapman, seconded by Mr. H. Shuker.—Christ Church, W. Didsbury, was selected for the next meeting-place, on Saturday, August 12th.—Votes of thanks to the Vicar, church officials, local ringers, and the chairman, closed the business.—Further ringing took place, the methods ranging from Plain Bob to Cambridge Surprise.

### PRESTON BRANCH.

The annual meeting was held at Leyland St. James, on Saturday last, and was well attended. The bells were soon going to Treble Bob methods. Then followed the business meeting, with Mr. J. T. Miller presiding.—The Branch Secretary stated that he did not wish re-election, but the question of a successor was left over till the next meeting. In regard to the annual social it was decided to hold the same at Chorley, subject to the necessary permission being granted. The proceedings closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and local ringers for the use of the bells. In the meantime a pressing invitation had been received from Leyland Parish Church ringers to ring on their bells recently overhauled by Messrs. Taylor. The bells of St. James' were lowered, and the party proceeded at once to the Parish Church. These bells were raised and set going to Kent Major, followed by several touches of Stedman and Grandshire. The bells are in fine condition, and Messrs. Taylor can be congratulated on their excellent work.

### POLITE LETTER WRITERS.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—I am glad that a ringer of Mr. George Williams' repute has called attention to the tone adopted by some of your correspondents towards each other in what ought to be polite and friendly controversy. He finds it 'painful reading,' and I agree with him. But is it not also a trifle ridiculous? After some of the letters in question, I have felt rather like the gentleman who, after an hour spent in Lord Macaulay's company, said, 'I wish that I could be as cocksure of anything as Macaulay is of everything.'

41, Britanny Road.

St. Leonards.

T. L. PATILLON.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co., LOUGHBOROUGH.

## THE LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry**  
**Established**  
**A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,  
32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## CENTURIES.

Mr. F. W. Bailey, of Leiston, recently completed his century, and the following is the list of the one hundred peals, among which will be noted no fewer than eight Surprise methods.

	Tower Bell.	Handbells.
Bob Major .....	6	1
Bob Royal .....	—	4
Bob Maximus .....	—	1
Kent Treble Bob Major .....	7	2
Kent Treble Bob Royal .....	1	5
Kent Treble Bob Maximus .....	—	3
Oxford Treble Bob Major .....	4	1
Oxford Treble Bob Royal .....	—	5
Double Norwich Major .....	9	—
Superlative Surprise Major .....	8	—
Cambridge Surprise Major .....	7	—
Yorkshire Surprise Major .....	1	—
London Surprise Major .....	3	—
Bristol Surprise Major .....	10	—
Guildford Surprise Major .....	2	—
Dublin Surprise Major .....	1	—
Suffolk Surprise Major .....	1	—
Stedman Triples .....	7	—
Stedman Caters .....	1	10
Stedman Cinques .....	—	2
	68	32

## A. D. BARKER'S 100 PEALS.

	Rung.	Conducted.
Grandsire Triples .....	4	—
Stedman Triples .....	32	4
Stedman Caters .....	10*	1
Stedman Cinques .....	13	1
P. Bob Major .....	1	—
Double Norwich Major .....	3	—
Kent Treble Bob Major .....	16	6
Kent Treble Bob Royal .....	4	3
Kent Treble Bob Maximus .....	3	—
Superlative Surprise Major .....	2	—
Cambridge Surprise Major .....	11	2
Cambridge Royal .....	1	—
	100	17

\* Includes 7.777.

## MR. ROBERT SPERRING'S 200 PEALS.

The following is the list of Mr. Robert Sperring's 200 peals, which have been rung in 33 towers:—

	Rung.	Conducted.
Doubles in 1 method .....	1	1
Doubles in 3 methods .....	1	1
Minor in 1 method .....	1	—
Minor in 3 methods .....	5	1
Minor in 4 methods .....	6	1
Grandsire Triples .....	62	36
Double Grandsire Triples .....	1	—
Union Triples .....	2	—
Oxford Bob Triples .....	3	1
Stedman Triples .....	10	5
Double Oxford Bob Triples .....	3	—
Bob Major .....	22	8
Kent Treble Bob Major .....	44	36
Oxford Treble Bob Major .....	4	3
Kent & Oxford Treble Bob Major (spliced) .....	2	1
Double Bob Major .....	1	—
Duffield Major .....	1	—
Albion Treble Bob Major .....	2	—
St. Clement's Major .....	1	—
Double Norwich Major .....	10	1
Superlative Surprise Major .....	8	1
Grandsire Caters .....	1	1
Stedman Caters .....	1	1
Bob Royal .....	1	—
Kent Treble Bob Royal .....	4	2
Double Oxford Major .....	2	—
Single Oxford Major .....	1	—
	200	100

WALSOKEN. — At the Church of All Saints, on Thursday, June 15th, a date touch of Bob Minor (1,922 changes); John Shinkins 1, Arthur Wigmore 2, John Foster 3, Fred Wigmore 4, Bert Gogle 5, Ralph Narborough (conductor) 6.

**IMPORTANT RESTORATIONS.****BELLS OF ST. MARTIN'S-IN-THE-FIELDS.  
SHEFFIELD AND TAUNTON TWELVES.**

The famous old peal at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, is to be thoroughly overhauled and rehung. The work has been entrusted to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and will be one of the biggest and most important restorations carried out in London since the war.

This is the third peal of twelve to pass through the Whitechapel Foundry recently. Sheffield Cathedral bells are approaching completion, and the erection of the peal at Taunton, where two trebles have been added to the old ten, has been commenced. Some serious obstacles have been met in the case of the Somerset tower, and at one time it was feared that, after all, the two extra bells would be hanged. Happily, however, wiser counsels, backed by scientific knowledge and practical common sense, have prevailed.

**NEW PEALS OF EIGHT.**

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the Whitechapel Foundry, are making new peals of eight for the Parish Churches of Alnham, Cornwall, and Blackhill, Co. Durham.

They are also completing the work on the new octave at Combe Martin, where the opening is to take place next Wednesday (July 26th).

On Monday, the peal of six at Bradfield, near Sheffield, are to be reopened.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.****SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.**

Thursday, July 6th, was the day for the reopening of bells at All Saints' Church, an event which had been looked forward to by ringers. For many years the 'go' of the peal of five bells, by Harrison, of Barton-on-Humber, 1825, and which have been hung in the tower of All Saints', had been very bad, owing to the swaying of the old frame and timbers which supported them, and the bell very much out of tune. The whole of the tower has been cleared, except a few oak beams in fairly good condition, a new iron H. frame for eight bells put in, and all the old bells recast and made into a ring of six. The weights and notes of bells, along with inscriptions on same, are as follows:—

- Treble 3 3/4 cwt. E. The Faith Bell. G. H. C. Bartley, M.A., Vicar, 1922.
- 2. 4 1/2 cwt. D. All Saints' bell.
- 3. 5 1/2 cwt. C. St. George of England.
- 4. 6 1/2 cwt. B. The ringers' bell. E. A. Midwinter, J. W. Neep, 1922.
- 5. 8 1/2 cwt. A. G. H. C. Bartley, M.A., Vicar. J. E. Gregory, H. Rogersou, Churchwardens, 1922.
- Tenor 12 1/2 cwt. G. J. Harrison, founder; Samuel Pennington and William Buttery, Churchwardens, 1825.

The work of recasting and rehanging the new peal was entrusted to Messrs. Taylor's, of Loughborough.

The bells are tuned on Taylor's re-enforced harmonic principle and the 'go' of them are perfect, and, combined with their excellent sweetness and purity of tone, leaves nothing to be desired, except the two additional bells, to complete the octave, for which the frames are fitted. The work reflects the highest credit on the well-known firm.

The opening ceremony at 7 p.m. was attended by a large number of people from the parish and surrounding district. The preacher was the Rev. H. Hayward, M.A., Vicar of Brandon, Durham, late chaplain to H.M. forces, supported by the Vicar (the Rev. G. H. C. Bartley), and others. The dedication peal was a short touch of Rob Minor by a band of ringers selected by the hon. secretary of the North Notts Association (Mr. H. Haigh, of Worksope), and hailed from the following places: Worksope, Retford, Ordsall, Doncaster, Treoton and Lougham, and included Miss Ivy Barker. The bells were rung in the following methods until 9.45 p.m. (when they were lowered in peal): Main Bob, Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Single Court and Canterbury Pleasure. The ringers were afterwards entertained to supper by Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Midwinter, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to them for their generous hospitality.

August Bank Holiday will be an open day for ringers of kindred associations, when the village sports will be held, in which the ringers will take part. The proceeds will be in aid of the Bell Fund.

**READING.**—On Whit Monday, the London County Association attempted a peal of Stedman Caters at St. Lawrence's Church, but owing to the intense heat, failed after 21 courses, in 1 hr. 27 mins.; C. P. Winney 1, T. H. Taffender 2, I. G. Shade 3, A. J. Neale 4, H. H. Mance, junr., 5, J. R. Gammon 6, E. Brett 7, J. Bullock 8, 11, Mance, senr., 9, F. E. Dawe (conductor) 10. Tenor 24 cwt. in E.

**CAMBRIDGE ROYAL COMPOSITION.****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—I see the Rev. H. Law James tries to claim the 5,040 Cambridge Royal, published by Mr. Page in your issue of 30th June. I have had this peal since 1908. It came about in this way. We were to attempt the first peal of Cambridge Maximus at Ipswich, and the difficulty was to find a composition. My brother and myself, therefore, got out a proof scale, and I produced the following peal. We rang half of it at Ipswich in 1909. Afterwards, Mr. James published it, and I told him I had had it some time. He said I was entitled to claim it. I fear he has a bad memory, as he now claims what is a variation of the same peal, with the calling commencing at the last course. Below are the figures of the original peal:—

M	W	H	23456
—	—	—	52436
—	—	—	64235
—	—	—	26435
—	—	—	42635
—	—	—	56234
—	—	—	23564
—	—	—	52364
—	—	—	35264
—	—	—	42563
—	—	—	64523
—	—	—	35426
—	—	—	42356
—	—	—	34256
—	—	—	23456

I called this composition, and the one published by Mr. Page in 1911, and both appeared in the Middlesex Report for 1911. I fail therefore, to see how Mr. James can claim either of them. They have both been rung a good many times under my name by various bands.—Yours truly,

W. PYE.

**WHO IS THE OWNER?****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—If the Rev. H. Law James claims the composition of Cambridge Surprise Royal, published in the 'Ringing World' on June 30th, 1922, to be No. 907 in the 1913 issue of the Gloucester and Bristol Report, then Nos. 907 and 342 (the latter to be found in the 1900 issue of the Gloucester and Bristol Report, and rung at Gloucester on February 8th, 1899) must be the same, because one is simply a variation of the other. If this is so, then Mr. James becomes the author, but if it be proved otherwise, then Mr. W. Pye can claim the authorship, which includes the peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus rung at St. Mary Redcliffe, Bristol, on January 13th, 1918, and which was also No. 907, as stated above.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN A. BURFORD.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

The South and West District of the above Association met at Twickenham, on Saturday, July 15th, at the kind invitation of the Rev. Prebendary H. P. Prosser, Vicar. The bells were rung until 5 p.m., after which a short service was held. A most inspiring and welcome address was given by the Vicar, who said how great a pleasure it was to hold a service which displayed the true spirit of associating themselves to the worship and ringing in church work. After service the members and friends adjourned to the Parish Room, where between forty and fifty sat down to tea, kindly provided by the Vicar. After tea the business meeting was held, at which the Vicar presided accompanied by the churchwardens and the vice-president (Mr. T. Beadle).—The Hon. Secretary having read the minutes, moved that the tower should be affiliated to the association. — The Curate proposed that all the local ringers, himself included, should become members. The proposal was unanimously carried.—A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar, churchwardens, choir, organist, and the steeplekeeper, who so kindly put his shoulder to the wheel.—Afterwards, the Vicar responded, on behalf of himself and other co-workers the members again visited the tower, where methods between Grandsire and Superlative were rung. Thus ended a most enjoyable half-day, everyone being well pleased at the kindness shown by all local ringers to the visitors.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

The members of the Southern District met at the Parish Church, Beddington, on Saturday last. About 30 were present, and a pleasant afternoon and evening were spent, the favourable weather adding success to the meeting. The bells were soon going in the various methods from Grandsire Caters to Cambridge Surprise Royal.

After tea, the bells were rung again till 8 p.m., when the business meeting was held in the vestry, Mr. H. Mance being voted to the chair.—Four new members were made from the district.—A vote of thanks was accorded the Rector and Mr. A. J. Trappitt for the use of the bells and arrangements.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.****WELLINGBOROUGH DISTRICT.**

By kind permission of the Rector (the Rev. W. Frift), the annual meeting of the Wellingborough District was held at Irthlingborough on July 8th. The bells were kept going to various methods, amongst them being Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative Surprise and Stedman Triples.

A short service was held in the fine old church, conducted by the Rector, who heartily welcomed the members, and gave a very interesting address.

About 32 members enjoyed an excellent tea, kindly provided by the local ringers and lady friends. The business meeting then took place, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: The Rev. W. Frift, vice-president; Mr. F. Barber, secretary; Mr. G. Basford and Mr. W. Perkins, central committee; Messrs. F. Jones, C. Farey and H. Tyler.—The Secretary then offered, on behalf of the association, the heartiest congratulations to the four young members of the Irthlingborough band who rang their first peal, a peal of Kent Treble Bob, on June 24th.—The Rector then presented each one of them with the certificate of the association, which is given on the occasion of a member ringing his first peal.

The General Secretary (Mr. D. J. Nichols) gave a report on the work of the Central Council held at Lincoln, at which he was a delegate, and also gave a summary of an official communication issued by the Council.—Wilby was chosen as the next place of meeting.—The Secretary asked the meeting to endorse the proceedings which had taken place in regard to two of the Yardley-Hastings band, who had formally been proposed and seconded since the last meeting. He also said how delighted he was to welcome the Rev. W. Frift as their vice-president.—Votes of thanks were heartily accorded to the Rector for the use of the bells and for his address, to the organist, to the local ringers, and the ladies who helped with the tea.

**NORTHAMPTON DISTRICT.**

The annual meeting was held at Collingtree on Saturday, June 10th, when over 40 members enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon. Some of them enjoyed ringing on the fine-tuned peal of five. Others, by kind invitation of the Rector, spent a quiet hour in the Rectory garden. Evensong was conducted by the Rev. J. P. Friend, and the Rev. J. White presided at the organ. A collection for the Belfry Repair Fund amounted to 9s. 2d. Tea was served in the Village Institute, and was followed by the meeting. The officers were elected for the following year: Vice-president, the Rev. J. White, Pitsford; committee, Messrs. Law, Soden, Clark, Dean and Faulkner; secretary, Mr. S. J. Lawrence. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Cogenhoe on September 23rd.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

A quarterly meeting of the above Association was held at Melbourne on Saturday last. The bells of the Parish Church were (by kind permission of the Vicar) placed at the disposal of the ringers after two o'clock. After tea, a general meeting took place. Ald. R. B. Chambers (President of the Association) was in the chair, and amongst those present were Mrs. and Miss Chambers, the Rev. E. T. Harcombe (Vicar of Melbourne), Messrs. Pryce Taylor and Pervin (Loughborough), H. E. Norman (Leicester), Braines (Derby), and White (Nottingham). A number of new honorary and ringing members were elected, and a general discussion followed.—Apologies for absence were received from Messrs. W. Willson, of Leicester (indisposed) and A. C. Wright (Darley Dale), who was kept away by a business engagement.—The next quarterly meeting will be held in September, at Wigston Magna, near Leicester. The association will then have the opportunity of ringing on the new recast ring of eight. It may be mentioned that Mr. Pryce Taylor officiated as hon. secretary.

**A PUZZLE.**

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Can any of your readers explain the following, which was handed to me by someone outside the ringing circle? I give it exactly as it was given to me:—

720 Bob Minor.

Call bob every time 2 and 4 lead and every time treble leads, and the tenor behind without the 5th. Call single when treble lead and 5 and 6 are behind; call extreme when 1 and 2 are before and tenor not behind.

This 720 was rung for the first time at Sandiacre for evening service, May 7th.

Extremo 23654  
26354

Yours faithfully,

Staveley.

A. E. PARSONS.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.****PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.**

A well-attended quarterly meeting was held on Saturday last at East Meon, where the old Norman Church of All Saints contains a fine peal of eight (tenor 19 cwt.). The bells were fully used, both before and after tea, the following methods being rung: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise Major. Members were present from Gosport, Havant, Portsea, Portsmouth, Petersfield, Wickham, East Meon. Visitors from Southampton, Bishopstoke and North Stoneham, Mr. C. S. V. Wilkins, of Cambridge University, and Mr. F. E. Dawe (London), were also present.

The company was well provided for, and full justice was done to the meal, after which the business meeting was held.—Two full members were elected, and it was also decided that the annual meeting of the district should be held at Alverstoke on November 11th next.

The committee's report was read, and unanimously adopted by the district.—An important resolution was next placed before the members, on which depends the future welfare of the district. This was also adopted, the district secretary having instructions to forward it to the general secretary.

Mr. E. J. Harding, senr. (district secretary) and Mr. F. W. Rogers (representative on the Central Committee) informed those present that owing to recent events they would like to give notice to the district that they would cease to be members of the Central Committee after the annual meeting in November next. The business concluded with a vote of thanks to the Vicar (the Rev. A. S. Crawley) for the use of the bells, and to Mr. H. Blackman for having everything in readiness, after which the members returned to the tower.

**SOUTHAMPTON.**

A meeting for combined practice was held at St. Mary's Southampton, on Tuesday, 11th July. Ringers from several towers were present, including the Master, Mr. George Williams, Mr. Cave, of Bristol, and his son, Mr. P. W. Cave, now a member of St. Mary's band. Touches of Stedman Triples and Bob Major, a course of Double Norwich, Court Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, Superlative, Cambridge, and London Surprise, were brought round. The course of London was the first ever rung on the bells. The ringers were: C. E. Wilkins 1, P. W. Cave 2, G. Pullinger 3, J. W. Faithful 4, W. Cave, senr., 5, D. C. Williams 6, W. Tucker 7, G. Williams 8.

**W. BIBBY'S 50 PEALS.**

Minor 1 Method ... ..	1
.. 1 Method (in hand) ... ..	1
.. 3 Methods ... ..	1
.. 7 Methods ... ..	2
.. 10 Methods ... ..	1
Grandsire Triples ... ..	7
Stedman Triples ... ..	1
Oxford Bob Triples ... ..	1
Double Oxford Bob Triples ... ..	1
S. Clement's Triples ... ..	1
Forward Major ... ..	1
Bob Major ... ..	8
Kent Treble Bob Major ... ..	6
Oxford Treble Bob Major ... ..	3
Double Norwich C.B. Major ... ..	4
Little Bob Major ... ..	3
Little Albion Bob Major ... ..	2
Superlative Surprise Major ... ..	1
St. Clement's Major ... ..	1
Oxford Bob Major ... ..	1
Stedman Caters ... ..	1
Bob Royal ... ..	1
Little Albion Royal ... ..	1
Total ... ..	50

**DOVER.**—On Wednesday, June 14th, 504 Grandsire Triples, in honour of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Christopher R. Walker: J. Eagles 1, C. Turner 2, W. Pitman 3, C. Millway 4, F. Elliott 5, R. Stevens 6, C. R. Walker (conductor) 7, Capt. Yorke 8.

**ELLESMERE, SALOP.**—On Friday, June 16th, at Trimpey Hall, for practice, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): T. Butler, junr. (conductor) 1—2, R. Biggs 3, A. Allen 4, A. Haynes 5, G. Edwards 6, T. Butler, senr., 7—8, on handbells.

**ICKLETON, CAMBS.**—At the Parish Church, on June 18th, for evening service, 720 Kent: P.C. L. Brooks 1, P. Webb 2, — Barley 3, J. Webb 4, W. Flitton 5, B. D. Buttress (Fulbourn), conductor, 6.

**BRISTOL.**—On June 23rd, at St. James' Church, for the Prince of Wales' birthday, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: R. Chamming 1, E. Guise (conductor) 2, G. Pearce 3, A. Pearce 4, C. Walton 5, F. Jowell 6, A. Seviour 7, W. Short 8.



# A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

**ALVASTON, DERBYSHIRE.**—On Sunday, July 16th, at St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, 720 Bob Minor, in 27 mins., by the following: \*J. Shaw, \*A. Mould 2, W. Pearson 3, †C. Haycock 4, \*W. Garner 5, A. Overton (conductor) 6. \* First 720. † First inside.

**BECCLES, SUFFOLK.**—On Hospital Sunday, July 16th, for evening service, 1,007 Grandsire Caters: T. Kerridge 1, H. Ling 2, C. Rush 3, C. Bailey 4, E. R. Goate (conductor) 5, G. Baxter 6, R. J. Goate 7, C. Parnell 8, J. Spaulding 9, R. Rush 10.

**IDLE, YORKS.**—At the Church of Holy Trinity, for evening service, on Sunday, July 16th, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich (1,280 changes), in 45 mins.: E. H. Simpson (conductor) 1, G. Duck 2, F. Davison 3, H. Davison 4, R. Umpleby 5, F. Kilshaw 6, W. Feather 7, H. Foster 8. First quarter-peal on the method for ringers of 2 and 6.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At the Parish Church, on July 16th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 43 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr., 1, A. H. Fulwell 2, J. E. Churchill 3, A. M. Stacey 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, L. H. Page 6, F. W. Goodfellow 7, F. S. Palmer, senr., 8. Conducted by F. W. Goodfellow.

**ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On Sunday evening, July 16th, for evening service, 720 London Surprise Minor: A. J. White 1, W. White 2, F. Trussler 3, A. J. Cherriman 4, F. Bennett (first 720 in the method) 5, R. Stradwick (conductor) 6.

**LEICESTER.**—On Sunday, July 16th, at St. Margaret's, in honour of the patronal festival, for morning service, 918 Grandsire Caters: F. Bent 1, F. Sharman 2, A. Ballard 3, W. Whitehead 4, A. Cattell 5, E. Whitehead 6, J. Morris 7, H. Lock 8, E. Morris 9, J. Vernon 10.—For evening service, 754 Grandsire Caters, as above, with G. Stedman Morris 1, and Maurice Swinfield (Burton-on-Trent) 4. Conducted by E. Morris.

**FULHAM.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday evening, for service, on July 16th: 1,320 Treble Bob Royal Kent, in 54 mins.: H. Belcher 1, W. H. Wood 2, W. H. Hollier 3, A. Cutmore 4, F. Skervington 5, H. A. Folkard 6, G. C. Iles 7, W. T. Elson 8, A. Harding 9, J. W. Driver (conductor) 10.

**MIDDLETON, LANCS.**—On Sunday, July 9th, for evening service (Anniversary Sunday), a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: J. Hollows, J. Jacques, W. Berry, T. K. Driver, S. Holt, F. Berry, W. Hardman, T. Welleus.

**ERDINGTON.**—At St. Thomas' and Edmund R.C. Church, on Sunday, July 9th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes), in 41 mins.: E. J. Stringer (first quarter-peal) 1, A. T. Scrivens 2, P. Plumley 3, W. Stringer 4, A. E. Norman 5, B. W. Witchell 6, J. George (composer and conductor) 7, S. Coley 8. Rung on the eve and in honour of Mr. Witchell's 60th birthday.

**FLIXTON, LANCASHIRE.**—On Sunday, July 9th, at St. Michael's Parish Church, for evening service, on the occasion of the anniversary services, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 44 mins.: A. Johnson 1, S. Collier 2, H. Wilson 3, J. Shaw 4, R. Davies 5, R. F. Deal 6, J. H. Collier (conductor) 7, W. Johnson 8.

**STAFFORD.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday morning, July 9th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 45 mins., by: W. G. Curtis 1, W. H. Jones 2, W. C. Wilson 3, F. Sear 4, G. Booth 5, F. V. Haggis 6, J. J. Taylor (conductor) 7, J. Warrilow 8.

**CHICHESTER.**—On Sunday, July 9th, for the morning service, at the Cathedral, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (720 changes) was rung in 49 mins.: H. D. Falconer 1, Miss E. M. Burnett 2, W. H. Falconer 3, F. B. Tompkins 4, G. Marshall (1st quarter) 5, W. Ticehurst (conductor) 6, J. H. Blake 7, M. Heffer 8. Arranged for Miss Burnett, and was the first quarter as conductor.

**ABINGDON.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. Dyke 1, J. Honev 2, A. E. Lock (conductor) 3, G. Candwell 4, Mrs. A. E. Lock 5, E. Humphrey 6.

**PAULTON, Near BATH.**—On Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, at the Church of Holy Trinity, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, consisting of 1,260 changes: Miss G. Smith 1, Miss E. Eram 2, W. Maggs 3, F. Flower (conductor) 4, W. Rosewell 5, E. Godwin 6.

**LYE, STOURBRIDGE.**—On Sunday, July 9th, at Christ Church, for the Sunday Schools festival, 720 changes of Bob Minor, with 6-8 covering, was rung by the following: F. Wiley 1, S. Cook 2, A. Chapman 3, Thos. H. Hodgkiss 4, C. W. Cooper 5, Jabez Wiley 6, A. Wooldridge 7, David Fletcher 8. Conducted by Mr. A. Wooldridge. All the above are members of the local band, with the exception of the ringer of the 5th, who is a member of the Stourbridge band.—Also, for evening service, 504 of Bob Triples, assisted by Messrs. J. Bass and William Gibbs, Wollaston, and after evening service, a further 720 of Bob Minor was rung in the following order: F. Wiley 1, S.

Cook 2, C. W. Cooper 3, A. Chapman 4, Thos. H. Hodgkiss 5, Jabez Wiley 6, A. Wooldridge 7, D. Fletcher 8. Conducted by Mr. A. Wooldridge. Great credit is due to the local ringers for the way in which these touches were rung, as they have only recently taken up change ringing again after a lapse of about 12 years and is the longest touch in any method by the ringer of the treble. The bells in this tower are the lightest peal of eight in England, and the 'go' of them being very tricky, it is not, by any means, a bad performance.

**LAVERNHAM.**—On Sunday, July 10th, for morning service, 840 Stedman Triples: S. H. Symonds (conductor) 1, F. Turner 2, W. R. J. Poulson 3, L. Poulson 4, F. Mortlock 5, W. Payers 6, F. Poulson 7, A. Symonds 8.—For evening service 408 Stedman Triples: F. Leeks 1, M. Symonds 2, F. Mortlock 3, S. Smith 4, F. Turner 5, F. Poulson 6, W. Payers 7, W. R. J. Poulson (conductor) 8.

**PICKERING, YORKSHIRE.**—At St. Peter and St. Paul's Church, on Sunday, July 9th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob, by the visiting ringers from Birstall, Leeds: G. Britton 1, H. Robinson 2, W. Clark 3, W. Rhodes 4, J. Kellet 5, S. Gibson 6, E. Crowther 7, H. Peel 8.

**ST. STEPHEN'S, EALING.**—On Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. A. Folkard 1, J. E. Walsen 2, H. Belcher 3, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 4, F. Stevens 5, H. Coulson 6, A. Harding 7, E. Harris 8. Mr. F. Stevens hails from Llanbradach, Glamorgan.

**NORBURY, CHESHIRE.**—On Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: J. Fernley, junr., 1, J. Fernley, senr., 2, W. Fernley 3, H. Hallworth, junr., 4, J. P. Fidler (conductor) 5, J. W. Hartley 6. The 'hobs' in this extent are made when the treble is in 6th's place, and is the first so rung.

**GLASGOW.**—On Sunday, July 9th, at St. Mary's Cathedral, for evensong, 960 Stedman Doubles: J. E. Sykes 1, T. O'Hara 2, E. Astley 3, W. N. Ashby 4, A. G. Tucker 5, N. W. S. North 6.

**FEERING, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for morning service, 720 Bob Major: G. Mayes 1, J. C. Newman 2, R. Fisher 3, P. Langstone 4, J. Sadler 5, G. Heyward 6, C. Rogers 7, W. Keeble (conductor) 8.

**KELVEDON.**—On July 2nd, for evening service, 720 Plain: E. Dale 1, F. Dale, junr., 2, W. Keeble (conductor) 3, J. Elliott 4, E. Bone 5, W. Elliott 6.

**DARLINGTON, DURHAM.**—On Sunday, July 2nd, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. Atkinson 1, G. W. Park 2, W. Cooke 3, C. S. Burden (of London) 4, F. Cooke 5, W. N. Park (conductor) 6. First 720 as conductor.—Also for evening service, 360 London Surprise Minor: C. S. Burden 1, F. Atkinson 2, W. Cooke 3, W. N. Park 4, F. Cooke 5, G. W. Park (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, July 9th, for morning service, 504 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: G. W. Park 1, F. Cooke 2, W. Cooke 3, W. N. Park 4, F. W. Lupton 5, Chas. Todd (conductor) 6; and for evening service an attempt was made for 456 of London Surprise, which came to grief after ringing 336 changes.

**WORKSOP.**—On Whit Sunday, June 4th, for evening service, 279 Grandsire Triples: H. Jordan 1, Miss Ethel Winrow 2, G. Gabbittas 3, W. H. Johnson 4, G. Hardwick 5, H. Haigh 6, J. T. Wilson 7, E. Clark 8.—Also on Sunday, July 2nd, 504 Grandsire Triples: H. Jordan 1, H. Haigh 2, Miss Amy Taylor 3, W. H. Johnson 4, W. Roberts 5, A. Johnson 6, E. Clarke 7, G. Hardwick 8.—Also on July 9th, 336 Bob Major: H. Jordan 1, Miss A. Taylor 2, G. Gabbittas 3, A. Johnson 4, H. Haigh (conductor) 5, G. Hardwick 6, J. T. Wilson 7, E. Clarke 8. These are the longest lengths rung by the two ladies, and were rung with less than 20 hours' practice on the bell ropes.

**PINCHBECK, Lincs.**—On Sunday, June 25th, for the annual memorial service, 720 Double Court Minor: W. H. Sutton 1, A. Ground 2, W. Worthington 3, E. J. Haynes 4, J. Curry 5, G. Ladd (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by 1, 2, 3 and 4.

**BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.**—On a recent Sunday, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung: V. Corden 1, P. H. Doick 2, R. Wood 3, J. Burdfield 4, P. Charman 5, A. Feist 6, W. Stanford (conductor) 7, F. Brooks 8.

**TONBRIDGE, KENT.**—For morning service, on the occasion of the visit of the Dean of Durham, 630 Grandsire Triples: F. Ballard 1, C. Cooke 2, A. Denton 3, G. Smithers 4, A. Richardson (conductor) 5, W. Wolfe 6, W. Steed 7, J. Draper 8.

**RAWMARSH, Near ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.**—For afternoon service, at the Parish Church, on the occasion of the visit of the Bishop of Sheffield, and dedication of a children's window (which was subscribed for by a large number of children in the parish), a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,360 changes), in 47 mins.: A. Mitchell 1, F. C. Wilson 2, A. Firth 3, G. Tuke 4, A. G. Stocks 5, T. Cooper 6, H. Mortimore 7, E. Liversedge 8. First attempt and longest touch by Thomas Cooner as conductor. First quarter-peal by G. Tuke, ringer of the 4th bell.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, Commercial Road, Woking.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The Annual Festival will be held at Oxford, on Saturday, July 22nd (D.V). Service in Cathedral 11.15, preacher, The Right Reverend Bishop Shaw. Business meeting in Chapter House immediately after service. Dinner in Christ Church dining hall at 1.30. Tickets 2/6 each to members, 3/- to non-members. Application for tickets to be made, accompanied by remittance to general Secretary, not later than Wednesday, July 19th.—Richard T. Hibbert, Hon. Sec., Warren House Lodge, St. Peter's Avenue, Caversham.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Moorside, July 22nd. Bells not available on the 29th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting at 7.—Sam Booth, Hon. Sec., 134, Union Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Gloucester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Longney on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (8) available from 3.30. Special motor leaves Commercial Road, Gloucester, at 3 o'clock. Service in church 4.30. Tea in Schools 5 o'clock. Visitors welcome.—A. Allan Bennett, Branch Sec., Newton House, London Road, Gloucester.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Dorchester Branch.—The Summer meeting will be held at Hilton on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (also Milton Abbey) from 2 p.m. Guild service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. All ringers welcome.—C. H. Jennings, Ashton Court Hospital, Bristol.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Horwich Parish Church on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held at Cradley, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available at 3 p.m.—A. Davis, Branch Sec., 29, Hampton Street, Nether-ton, Dudley.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next Meeting will be held at Wickwar, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 3 p.m.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Henley District.—A Meeting will be held at Holbrook, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells ready at 2 p.m.—Rev. Wm. C. Pearson, District Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—A Meeting will be held at Harpenden, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea arrangements will be made. All ringers welcome.—Wm. Nash, District Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL.—The reopening of the Cathedral Bells, will take place on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 3 to 7 p.m. All ringers welcome.—W. Lomas, Sec., 4, Montgomery Terrace Road, Sheffield.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—A Special meeting will be held at Preston, on July 22nd. Usual arrangements.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Wisbech branch.—A Meeting will be held on Saturday, July 22nd, at Chatteris, Cambs. Six bells ready from 2 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—H. W. Giddings, Branch Sec., 46, St. Peter's Road, March, Cambs.

LONDON.—ST. CLEMENT'S YOUTHS.—St. Clement Danes, Strand, W.C.—Practice every Wednesday, 6.30 till 8 o'clock. Ringing Sunday mornings, July 23rd and 30th, 10 till eleven o'clock. Business meeting, Wednesday, July 26th, at 8 p.m.—F. W. H. Sergison, Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m. St. Clement's, July 24th. Sundays at 10 a.m.—St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., London County Association, Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 25th; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 27th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

COMBE PARISH CHURCH, North Devon.—The new ring of eight bells will be dedicated on Wednesday, July 26th, at 2 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. H. Hayward, Gas Office, Combe Martin, North Devon.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—The Annual meeting will be held at Lichfield on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available—Cathedral (10) 3 to 3.45 and 6 to 7.30; St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3 o'clock. Service in Cathedral at 4. Tea at Lloyd's restaurant at 4.50—to fully paid members 1/-, to others 1/9; general meeting to follow. Please send word not later than Tuesday, 25th inst.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern Division.—An extra Meeting will be held at Ardleigh, on Saturday, the 29th July. Service at Parish Church 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m., when all ringers will be entertained by the kind invitation of H. R. Neuth, Esq. All members wishing to be present at tea please notify me by Monday, July 24th.—R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec., 12, Ireton Road, Colchester. Will all Secretaries of Companies note the change of address?

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Summer meeting will be held at Hexham and Corbridge, on Saturday, 29th July. Further particulars next week.—E. E. Ferry, Hon. Sec., 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea can be arranged for all those who notify me not later than Monday, July 24th.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**LEEDS & DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The next Monthly meeting will be held on July 29th, at Rothwell. Peal attempt 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—C. E. Lawson, Hon. Sec., 10, Leather Street, Leeds.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—A Special meeting will be held at Old Duston, on Saturday, July 29th. Usual arrangements, those requiring tea notify me not later than July 25th.—S. J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Road, Northampton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A Special meeting will be held at St. Luke's, Liverpool, on Saturday, July 29th, at 5 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—Walter Hughes.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The Annual General meeting of the Guild, will be held at Warwick, on Saturday, July 29th. The bells of St. Mary's (10) and Emscote (8) will be available from 2.45 p.m. Service in St. Mary's Church, at 4 p.m. Address by the Rev. C. A. H. Russell, Vicar of Whitnash. Tea and business meeting (election of officers) to follow. Will those members who intend being present please let me know by Wednesday, 26th, to facilitate arrangements for tea?—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—The next meeting will be held at Royston and Barkway, on Saturday, 29th July. Royston bells will be available all the afternoon. Tea and meeting will be held at the 'Wheatsheaf,' Barkway, at 5 p.m. Buses run from Barkway on Saturdays. All ringers heartily welcome.—F. R. Bacon, District Sec., 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A Monthly meeting of the above will be held at Newark on Saturday, 29th July. Ringing from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—Thos. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—A District meeting of North-Western Division will be held at St. Mary's, Stansted, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available during afternoon and evening.—F. Dench, District Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next Meeting will be held at Wedmore, on Saturday, 29th July. Service at 5 o'clock, tea and meeting to follow. Eight bells afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, 35, Oxford Street, Burnham-on-Sea.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—The Wickwar Meeting of the Wootton Branch has been postponed for a week, to July 29th, owing to the Rector's inevitable absence on July 22nd.—W. A. Lewis, Hon. Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Deanery Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Milverton, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m., tea and meeting after. Tea will be provided at the 'White Hart' at 1s. per head, for all who let me know by Tuesday, 25th.—P. Merson, Branch Sec., Bishops Hull.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A Meeting will be held at Richmond Parish Church, on Wednesday evening, August 2nd, by the kind permission of the Rev. I. F. Kendall (Vicar). Ringing from 7 to 9.15 p.m.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A General meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch of the Association will be held at East Dereham, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. The ring of eight bells of the Parish Church will be available. Luncheon will be served at the King's Head Hotel, at 1 o'clock, tickets 3s. per head, followed by the general business meeting. Members intending to be present at the luncheon, please notify the Secretary not later than Thursday, August 3rd.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—There will be a General Meeting of the Branch at Boyne Hill, Maidenhead, on Monday, August 7th (Bank Holiday), when all will be welcomed by the Vicar to celebrate the restoration of the bells. There will be a Service at the Parish Church, All Saints', at 4.30 p.m. Tea will be served on the vicarage lawn at 5.15 (weather permitting). Those intending to be present will please advise the Secretary by 31st inst. A charge of 1s. each will be made to cover part of the cost of same. A business meeting will follow at 6 o'clock. My Committee rely upon foremen of Towers notifying all members and ringing friends in their respective districts of this fixture and placing the notice in the belfry. The following towers have been kindly placed at the disposal of the Guild by the clergy: Burnham, 10 to 11 a.m.; High Wycombe, 10 to 11 a.m.; Old Windsor, 12 to 1 p.m.; Wooburn, 12 to 1 p.m.; Boyne Hill, 3 p.m.—Alfred J. Harman, Hon. Sec., 2, St. Mary's Cottages, Grove Road, Windsor.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual Festival will be held at Lymm, on Monday, August 7th. Service 11 a.m., preacher, the Rev. W. R. Ingham, M.A., Vicar of Middlewich. Other particulars by circular.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills, Stockport.

**PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the above will be held at Peterborough, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. The bells of St. John's (8), St. Mary's (6), Woodton (6) available during the day. Service at the Parish Church at 4 o'clock. Tea and meeting afterwards. All ringers welcome.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The next Meeting will be held at Donnington, Spalding, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea in Church Institute, at 4.15 p.m. Bells available all day.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**NORTHWOLD, NORFOLK.**—By kind permission of the Rector, the re-hung eight bells will be open for ringing on August Bank Holiday.—F. R. Borrett.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The reopening of Boyne Hill Bells, Maidenhead, will take place on August Bank Holiday. Evening service and tea, see further notice of details.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.** — A Meeting will be held at Crofton, near Wakefield, on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready early, in splendid order. Tea will be provided strictly for those sending their names before August 5th, to Mr. E. Stead, 4, Park View, Crofton, near Wakefield. A cordial invitation is offered to all ringers.—C. D. Potter, Sec.

**ARKSEY, DONCASTER.**—A combined practice has been arranged at this tower, every second Saturday in the month. All visitors welcome.—G. Clark, Sec.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

**'GRANDSIRE DOUBLES & TRIPLES SIMPLY EXPLAINED.'**—Intended for beginners and for those who find the ordinary books of instruction too technical. To be obtained from I. Roe and M. Broome, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath. Price 6d.; post free 6½d.; 5/9 a dozen, post free.

#### SITUATIONS WANTED.

Clerk, ex-service (24), seeks situation: London or Warwick districts preferred (not essential). Experienced book-keeper, storekeeper, typist. Ring Surprise 8 bells. Accept low salary to get with good band. Excellent refs.—Box 4, 'Ringing World' Office, Woking.

Ex-serviceman, 25, seeks situation as Chauffeur or Under-Chauffeur, willing to make himself useful. Good refs. Good ringer of Treble Bob Major and Surprise Minor.—Reply, Box number 10, 'Ringing World' Office.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

Beautiful set of 21 HANDBELLS for Sale. Price £10. — J. Ward, Latchmere, Worting Road, Basingstoke.

Peal of 12 Handbells in A. Condition as good as new. Just the thing for tower work.—Apply, Mrs. Trinder, Green Lane, Church Street, Upper Walmer.

**FINE SET 15 WARNER'S HANDBELLS,** Tenor size 18 in G, equality in tone, leathers new condition, only been used for tapping, price £8.—Witham, Prestea, Woodside Road, Parkstone, Dorset.

**THE 'RINGER'S CLOCK.'**—Westminster (Cambridge Quarters) Chime Clock, chimes quarters on deep-toned rod gongs, stands on bracket or mantelpiece, oak Jacobean finish case. Fully guaranteed timepiece, £8 8s.—Address as above.

**EARL SHILTON.**—On July 4th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: F. Wilson 1, H. Wright 2, A. Waters 3, H. Webb 4, C. Briggs 5, T. Cooper 6, W. Reynolds (conductor) 7, H. Fullylove 8. Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Ludkin and Mr. Grewcock, the father of the bride and bridegroom being honorary members of the M.C.A.

#### MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

**MORRISTON, GLAM.**—On Whit Monday, at St. John's Church, 720 Grandsire Doubles: G. Willis 1, J. T. Williams 2, E. Baird 3, Will Dobbin 4, J. Williams 5, Wal Dobbin 6. The band was kindly invited by the Vicar so as to create a better interest in change ringing.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On Tuesday, June 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (composed by Henry Johnson): T. Ashenden 1, F. J. Lambert, junr. 2, R. E. Lambert 3, J. Blake 4, R. T. Lambert 5, O. Waghorn 6, G. Billenness (conductor) 7, H. M. Batehup 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a last mark of respect to the late Mr. Alfred Adams, who, although blind, was organist at Hawkhurst for many years. The interment took place at Hawkhurst Churchyard on the above date.

**NORTHWOLD, NORFOLK.**—On Thursday, June 8th at St. Andrew's Church, 720 Bob Minor, with 6-8 covering: F. A. Salter 1, J. Crisp 2, A. Macro 3, T. Fitzjohn 4, W. Everett 5, C. Pearson 6, T. Stagg 7, T. Dennis 8. Conducted by F. A. Salter. Rung as a farewell to Mr. Fitzjohn, who was returning from Thetford to Grimsby. Ringer of 2nd bells from Northwold, 4th Grimsby, tenor from Methwold, remainder from Thetford.

**LOUGHBOROUGH.**—On June 10th, after a peal of Superlative, an attempt for Stedman Triples came to grief, after 2½ hours' good ringing: E. Morris 1, R. F. Elkington 2, T. Vallance 3, S. Burton 4, H. S. Morley 5, H. J. Poole (conductor) 6, J. Morris 7, Stedman Morris 8. Rung to oblige Mr. Morley, of Selby Abbey.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—At SS. Peter and Paul, Fressingfield, on Monday evening, July 10th, 1,008 of Bob Major: E. Plummer 1, A. Riches 2, W. J. G. Brown (conductor) 3, G. Filby 4, R. Riches 5, J. Riches 6, W. Riches 7, J. Filby 8. Rung to oblige E. Plummer, who hails from Woodford; W. J. G. Brown hails from Laxfield; G. and J. Filby from Wingfield, and the rest belong to Fressingfield.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
**COVENTRY.**

#### PUBLICATION.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'** — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

**Leading Church Bell Hangers.**

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowden Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, I., 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s. d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1 0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

**JOHN PRITCHARD,**

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price ...	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

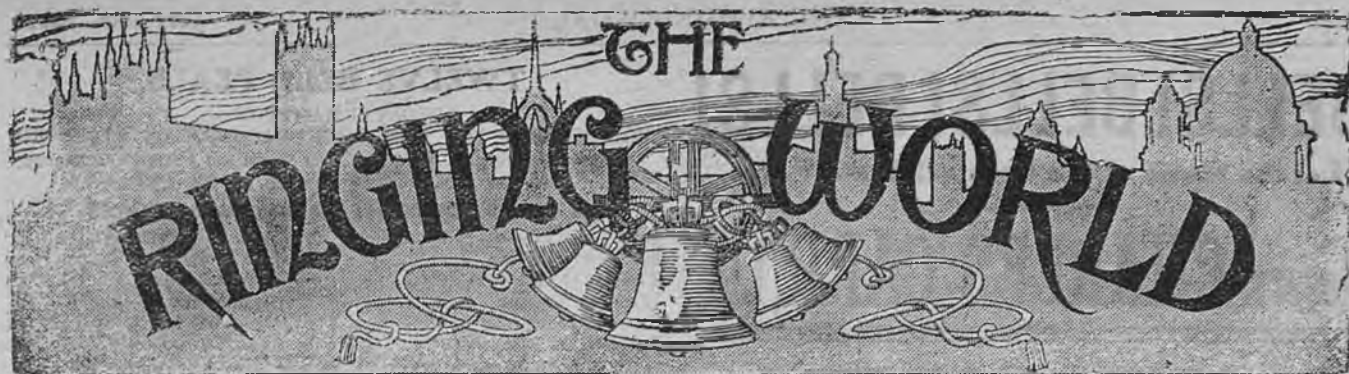
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 35/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 593. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, JULY 28th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

### CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

## BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### 'PERFORMANCES' AND 'RECORDS.'

The long peal at Appleton has been the centre of much controversy by those who would compare its merits with the previous Loughborough record, and in private debate as well as in published correspondence sides have been taken according to the point of view of the speaker or writer. In this issue we publish a letter from 'Once a Beginner,' which contains what is, we think, a well reasoned argument, and goes deeper into the pros and cons than any previous correspondent. He points out the difference between what he terms a record performance and a record peal, the performance having relation to the physical side of the achievement, as against the length of the peal as a record. Everyone, we think, will agree that, judged in this way, the Loughborough performance stands unbeaten, while the Appleton length cannot be disputed as a record in the number of changes. It has not yet been pointed out what, we think, is in justice due to the band, that the men who rang the peal at Appleton have made no claim to anything. There was not a single footnote about length, or time, or anything else added to the report of the peal in our issue of April 28th, so that all the controversy has been raised from outside.

The two peals stand individually upon their merits, and unbiassed ringers are able to make their own comparison fairly upon the various points at issue. At the same time, what is it that is officially recognised? Not weight of metal, not length of time. So far as official statistics are concerned, all that counts is length. A five thousand at Bow or York counts for no more, officially, than a five thousand in the same method at, say, Painswick. Over and over again it has been pointed out that the official records can recognise none of the many points which, apart from the method and number of changes, go to the merit of a peal. These records for what they are worth (and we have noticed that with some ringers they are considered valueless or otherwise according to the question at issue) provide a scale by which all peals are judged. No one claims that scale to be perfect, but by it the Appleton peal will be appraised as a greater peal than that at Loughborough. The only thing that will really put an end to the question is a longer peal than 21,363, rung on bells as heavy, or heavier, than Loughborough. Such bells are not readily available for record breaking, and as time goes on they will doubtless become less so. It is not likely that the record will long stand where it does at present, if the bells can be found; but those who will beat both the Loughborough 'performance' and the Appleton 'record' have no mean task before them.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

**JOHN NICOLL,**  
Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway),

Late 158, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thursday, July 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 6103 CHANGES:**

*JAMES WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	*ABRAHAM GREENFIELD ... 7
HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 2	HARRY A. FARLOW ... .. 8
THOMAS O'CONNOR ... .. 3	GEORGE HARRIS... .. 9
WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 4	THOMAS SMITH ... .. 10
*THOMAS RODEN ... .. 5	WILLIAM H. LAWLEY ... 11
†EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... 6	*ROBERT THOMPSON ... Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH PIGOTT. Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

Rung in honour of a visit of H.R.H. the Duke of York to distribute prizes at the Royal Orphanage. \* First peal on twelve. † First peal of Cinques with a bob bell.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES:**

Tenor 38½ cwt.	
EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... Treble	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. 8
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 3	WILLIAM PYE ... .. 9
WILLIAM H. HEWITT... .. 4	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 10
WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. 5	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 11
JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 6	JAMES GEORGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

LOUGHBOROUGH.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES:**

Tenor 30½ cwt.	
*G. STEDMAN MORRIS ... Treble	*REIDERS F. ELKINGTON ... 6
†WILLIAM THORLEY ... .. 2	†HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 7
JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 3	*ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. 8
ERNEST MORRIS... .. 4	*JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 9
*FRED STANFORTH ... .. 5	*LAURIE JACKSON... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

Rung on the festival of St. Mary Magdalene. \* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Caters 'inside.' ‡ First peal of Grandsire.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

ANSTEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.**

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 9½ cwt.	
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. Treble	SAMUEL COTTON ... .. 5
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 2	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... 6
REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 3	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 7
EPHRAIM W. RANDE ... .. 4	*ALFRED CUFFLIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK H. DEXTER.

\* First peal peal of Stedman. Quickest peal on the bells.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT EMMANUEL CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.	
*H. ASHTON ... .. Treble	W. S. HORN BROOK ... .. 5
*H. BURNER... .. 2	W. RUNDLE ... .. 6
W. HAMLYN ... .. 3	W. RICHARDS ... .. 7
*J. O. POOK ... .. 4	*S. SYMONS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. RUNDLE.

\* First peal.

**EASTBOURNE.**  
**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
(ST. SAVIOUR'S GUILD.)

On Tuesday, July 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Saviour,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

WILLIAM D. SMITH ... .. Treble	JOSEPH SHARP ... .. 5
GEORGE H. HOWSE ... .. 2	GEORGE W. STOKES ... .. 6
ARTHUR K. GOWER ... .. 3	ERNEST GOWER ... .. 7
ALFRED C. PANKHURST ... .. 4	JOHN H. SHARP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST GOWER.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Mary Gwendolen Nicholls to the Rev. Nigel Mackenzie Morgan-Brown, Rector of Bishop's Cleeve, Gloucester, and Hon. Minor Canon of St. Paul's Cathedral.

**HENLEY, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, LEISTON.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 8 cwt. in A.

LEONARD P. BAILEY ... .. Treble	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 2	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 6
GEORGE BAILEY ... .. 3	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 7
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal in the method on the bells.

**IPSWICH SUFFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, LEISTON.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Margaret,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. Treble	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 5
FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 6
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 3	CHARLES SAMPSON ... .. 7
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 4	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal in the method on the bells and in the borough of Ipswich. The two peals were rung on the Society's annual outing.

**WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

WALTER MILLER ... .. Treble	DAVID G. WIGHTMAN ... .. 5
HARRY HALL ... .. 2	VICTOR E. KERRIDGE ... .. 6
JOHN GARRETT ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... .. 7
JOHN HALL ... .. 4	ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by DAVID G. WIGHTMAN.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to Mr. Fred Day, of Eye. For calling see 'Shipway,' page 217.

**FULNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.**  
**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Monday, July 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paul,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*CHARLES S. H. STILES ... .. Treble	†ARTHUR RIGGALL ... .. 5
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 2	ARTHUR J. FARR ... .. 6
JOHN T. BROWN ... .. 3	†WILLIAM WALKER ... .. 7
JOHN G. AMES ... .. 4	†HORACE M. DAY ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by HORACE M. DAY.

\* First peal. † First peal of Major.

**MIDDLESBOROUGH.**  
**THE OLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
On Tuesday, July 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM JONES ... .. Treble	JOHN C. POLLARD ... .. 5
WILLIAM A. BRECKON ... .. 2	REV. A. SIMPSON ... .. 6
WILLIAM T. HOLMES ... .. 3	THOMAS METCALFE ... .. 7
JOHN W. PASSMAN ... .. 4	THOMAS LANCASTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by D. PRENTICE. Conducted by THOMAS LANCASTER.

The peal was arranged for the ringers of the 3rd who hails from Cockermouth, Cumberland; also to commemorate the 40th year of service of Mr. Felix Corbett as organist at this church.

**BISHOPSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Tuesday, July 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in F.

GEORGE GRANT ... .. Treble	*ERNEST J. AYLIFFE ... .. 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 2	†D. CECIL WILLIAMS ... .. 6
†GEORGE POLLINGER ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... .. 7
WILLIAM G. EDWARDS ... .. 4	CHARLES AYLIFFE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER. Conducted by D. C. WILLIAMS, F.R.C.O.

\* First peal in the method away from treble. † First peal of Grandsire Triples; also first as conductor.

**WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Wednesday, July 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mark,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

WILFRED GRUNDY ... .. Treble	ALLAN F. BAILEY ... .. 5
JOSEPH RIDYARD ... .. 2	PERCY H. DERBYSHIRE ... .. 6
JOSEPH H. RIDYARD ... .. 3	JOHN POTTER ... .. 7
FRED GRUNDY ... .. 4	STANLEY HARRISON ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. EARLE BULWER. Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

**LONDON.**  
**THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, July 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

*P. SGT. JAMES BENNETT ... .. Treble	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... .. 2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 6
CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... .. 3	ERNEST BRETT ... .. 7
CHALLIS WINNEY ... .. 4	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by FRED MOLDEN. Conducted by WILLIAM H. HEWETT.

\* First peal. The conductor's 200th peal.

**BEDFORD.**  
**THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Thursday, July 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paul,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 28 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb.

*STANLEY G. HARLOW ... .. Treble	HARRY TYSOE ... .. 5
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 2	PEARL INSKIP ... .. 6
HERBERT J. HARLOW ... .. 3	HERBERT L. HARLOW ... .. 7
CHARLES CHASTY ... .. 4	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

\* First peal on eight bells. Rung with the bells half-muffled after the unveiling of the war memorial by the Lord Lieutenant of Bedfordshire, and as a token of respect to the Rev. Canon Speck, late Vicar of St. Paul's, who was interred on the 14th inst.

**MAIDSTONE.**—On Tuesday evening, June 27th, at the Church of All Saints, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, taken from Carter's Odd and Even Bob One-part: T. Mannering 1. L. Head (conductor) 2. H. Coast 3. H. Way 4. L. Newman 5. E. Spiller 6. L. Mannering 7. F. Randall 8. This was L. Newman's first quarter-peal of Stedman.



**ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF SPLICED TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

JOHN HUMPHRIES... .. Treble	WILLIAM BIGGIN... .. 5
HARRY GREAVES... .. 2	T. A. HOWES-SMITH... .. 6
A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS... .. 3	WILLIAM H. TURTON... .. 7
PERCY J. JERVIS... .. 4	CHARLES SEVERN... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. SEVERN.

In this peal there are no bobs, Oxford places being made at lead ends 1, 3, 5; it is believed to be the first peal rung on this plan, also the shortest peal possible on these lines.

**CHESTER.**

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

*SAMUEL MEADOWS... .. Treble	GEORGE R. JONES... .. 5
ROBERT SPERRING... .. 2	*JOHN W. DAVIES... .. 6
HENRY W. WILDE... .. 3	*SAMUEL JONES, JUN... .. 7
JAMES H. RIDING... .. 4	EDWARD JENKINS... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY W. WILDE. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal in the method. Quickest peal of Major on the bells.

**IDLE, YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

(WESTERN DIVISION.)

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr.

*RALPH UMPLEY... .. Treble	ARTHUR GILL... .. 5
JOSEPH BROADLEY... .. 2	FIRTH HOPWOOD... .. 6
ERNEST H. SIMPSON... .. 3	THOMAS B. KENDALL... .. 7
JOHN PALFRAMAN... .. 4	*HARRY DAVIDSON... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS B. KENDALL.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

**PULHAM MARKET NORFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 14 cwt.

FREDK. R. BORRETT... .. Treble	BEN S. THOMPSON... .. 5
CHARLES BAKER... .. 2	GEORGE MAYERS... .. 6
ERNEST WHITING... .. 3	GEORGE H. CROSS... .. 7
FREDK. J. HOWCHIN... .. 4	JAMES BOUGHTON... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

100th tower bell peal as conductor.

**HARTLEBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, July 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 22 cwt.

WILLIAM SHORT... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD... .. 5
ROBERT MATTHEWS... .. 2	SIDNEY T. HOLT... .. 6
JOHN BASS... .. 3	WILLIAM PAGE... .. 7
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

First peal in the method on the bells; also W. Short's 350th peal as conductor.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

**PIPE-CUM-LYDE, HEREFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

10 different callings.

Tenor 10 cwt.

*WILLIAM DOWNES... .. Treble	WILLIAM C. YOUNG... .. 4
*FRANK DOWNES... .. 2	JAMES P. HYETT... .. 5
PERCY H. YOUNG... .. 3	*GEORGE SOLEY... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. P. HYETT.

\* First peal.

**KIRKBY MALLORY, LEICESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

(HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores called differently.

Tenor 8 cwt.

G. MARK COB... .. Treble	HAROLD WHITEMAN... .. 3
WILLIAM COPE... .. 2	ARTHUR WATERS... .. 4
FREDERICK E. WILSON... .. Tenor	

Conducted by F. E. WILSON.

This is the youngest band to have rung a tower bell peal for the Hinckley District. The ages of the ringers are: treble 16 years, 2nd 18, 3rd 17, 4th 20 and tenor 17. Rung at first attempt.

**MARDEN, HEREFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Sunday, July 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

10 different callings.

Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qr.

WILLIAM DAVIES... .. Treble	CHARLES H. SPARKES... .. 4
WALTER S. EVANS... .. 2	JAMES P. HYETT... .. 5
WILLIAM H. SYMONDS... .. 3	ALBERT WEAVER... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. P. HYETT.

Arranged for A. Weaver, who was visiting his native parish. Special mention should be made of the way the treble man rang throughout the peal, he being in his 72nd year.

**LEONARD STANLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHIN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE & ST. DUNSTAN'S DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

*NORMAN K. COX... .. Treble	*CHARLES KING... .. 4
†THOMAS BAILEY... .. 2	FRANK COLE... .. 5
ALBERT WRIGHT... .. 3	*STANLEY KING... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

\* First peal. † First peal on an 'inside' bell. Rung as a birthday peal for the ringer of the tenor.

**FINCHAM, NORFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb. in A.

JOHN RODWELL, JUN... .. Treble	*BERT GOGLE... .. 4
WALLACE COUSINS... .. 2	CLAUDE COUSINS... .. 5
*FRED WIGMORE... .. 3	TONY PRICE... .. Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

Rung in honour of the induction of the new Rector. \* First peal and first attempt.

**TENTERDEN, KENT.**—On Monday, June 26th, on the occasion of a visit to the tower by Mr. F. Fairbeard, of Canterbury Cathedral company, a 720 of Plain Bob Minor: H. Baker 1, C. Tribe 2, L. Hones 3, E. Burgess 4, B. Baker 5, F. Fairbeard (conductor) 6, W. Button 7, E. Want (covering) 8.—Also a 518 of Grandsire Triples: Mrs. Baker 1, E. Burgess 2, H. Baker 3, C. Tribe (conductor) 4, B. Baker 5, L. Hones 6, F. Fairbeard 7, W. Bishop 8.

## SHORNE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob called differently. Tenor 12½ cwt.

FREDERICK A. MITCHELL ... Treble	GEORGE MORRAD ... 4
HARRY ARGENT ... 2	*THOMAS BEADMONT ... 5
JOHN BURLS ... 3	CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. Tenor

Conducted by CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M.

\* First peal of Minor. Rung as a fifth anniversary birthday compliment to the son and heir of the ringers of the 3rd.

## SOUTH CERNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes.

AT ALL HALLOWS CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.

WILFRED G. COOK ... Treble	WILLIAM C. CUSS ... 4
JAMES BUTLER ... 2	SIDNEY R. HICKS ... 5
FRANCIS J. LEWIS ... 3	ARTHUR PAINTER ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS J. LEWIS.

First peal of Minor by all except 2nd and 3rd. First peal of Minor on the bells.

## FOY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 9 cwt.

ARTHUR J. LLEWELLYN ... Treble	*WILLIAM SHAW ... 4
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... 2	JOHN J. BEVAN ... 5
FRANK VOYCE ... 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

\* First peal.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

## TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-One Minutes.

AT 48, WOOD STREET,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

†JESSE B. TYLER ... 1-2	JAMES HUNT ... 5-6
JOHN THOMAS ... 3-4	*JOSEPH MADDOCK ... 7-8

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\* First peal on handbells. † First peal on eight handbells. First peal on eight handbells by the Association and in the county. Messrs. Thomas and Tyler are engaged in erecting a new frame and increasing the peal at St. Mary's to 12.

## DEATH OF MR. ARTHUR PILGRIM.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Arthur Pilgrim, of Ely, who held the office of district secretary in the Ely Diocesan Association for some years. He was parish clerk at St. Mary's, Ely, for about half a century, and at that church numerous men, including many of the Ely Theological students, learnt the art of ringing under his tuition.

Mr. Pilgrim was buried on July 14th.

## DEATH OF MR. FREDERICK DAY.

## A SUFFOLK BELL HANGER.

There will be general regret felt in the Exercise, especially in Norfolk and Suffolk, at the news of the death of Mr. Frederick Day, who died at his residence, Wellington Road, Eye, on Saturday, July 8th, in his 69th year. Mr. Day came of an old Eye family, being the son of the late Mr. George Day; and was associated with him for many years in the firm of George Day and Son, church bell hangers, which was established in 1802, the firm being well known throughout the country. Mr. Day was an original member of the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association of Ringers, his election dating back to its foundation, in 1877. He was also, from 1893 to 1919, secretary of the Eye district, and a member of the Ely, Royal Cumberland Youths, Gloucester and Bristol, Essex, Hereford, and other associations, and was Master of the Eye company, and a sidesman of the Parish Church. Sympathetic, sincere and helpful, the deceased was liked by everyone who came in contact with him, either in business or private life.

The deceased never seemed to recover from the shock of the death of his eldest son, Sergt. George E. Day, of the 5th Suffolks, who was killed in the great war on August 12th, 1915, in the landing at Suvla Bay, Gallipoli. He leaves a widow, three daughters and one son, Mr. Hubert J. Day, who assisted him in the business.

The deceased had a fine record of 118 peals, and rung on all numbers from six to twelve bells, and of his total 95 were rung for the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association, his first association peal being rung on Easter Monday, March 29th, 1880, and his last on July 6th, 1914. It is interesting to note that this was also the late Sergt. George E. Day's last peal before the great war. The event of his ringing career was that of ringing the tenor to the peal of 10.272 changes of Kent Treble Bob Major at St. Mary's, Debenham, on October 16th, 1880.

With regard to his professional career, the following are a few of the noted rings of bells hung by Mr. Day; St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich (12), St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich (12), Bury, St. James' (10), Bury, St. Mary's (8), Lavenham (8), Leiston (8), Framlingham (8), Ross, Herefordshire (8), Monmouth (8), Clun, Shropshire (8), Birmingham (11), Prestbury, Gloucestershire (8), Barking, Essex (8), Pulham St. Mary (8), St. Margaret's, King's Lynn (10), Aylsham (10), Stonham (10), and many others.

The interment took place on Thursday, July 13th, at Ely Cemetery. The first part of the service was held at the Parish Church, the cortege being met at the west door by the surpliced choir, and the Vicar (the Rev. J. P. Oakley) and the Rev. A. H. Parker Smith (curate), who acted as cross bearer. Mr. F. W. Bray presided at the organ; the hymns, 'Days and Moments' and 'On the Resurrection Morning,' were sung, and the Psalm, 'The Lord is my Shepherd,' was chanted; the choir rendered very impressively the anthem, 'I heard a voice from heaven,' and at the conclusion of the service the Nunc Dimittis was sung. The mourners were: Mrs. Day (widow), Mr. Hubert J. Day (son), Miss Day, Mrs. Audiss and Miss Dorothy Day (daughters), Mrs. Garlick (sister), Master Fred Day (grandson), Mr. C. Audiss (son-in-law), Miss A. Murton, Mrs. James and Miss Hilda Dade (cousins). Others present included: Mr. F. W. French, Mr. E. O. Read, the Rev. F. J. H. and Mrs. Damant, Mr. J. A. Armstrong, Mr. E. A. Oryon, Mr. A. H. Burrows, Mr. F. Day, Mr. W. Tuffs, Mr. O. Oakes, Mrs. Cann, Miss Maude Tacon, Miss Woolnough, Miss Self, Miss Wallis, Mrs. Poppy (Stoke Ash), Mr. and Mrs. Weatherall, Mr. J. Crisp, Mr. Potter, Mr. G. Murton, Mrs. Bilham, Mr. A. E. Bilham, Mrs. Rush, Mr. W. Ford, Mr. W. Woods, Mr. F. Saunders, Miss Gidney. The Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association was represented by the following members: Mr. Arthur L. Coleman (general secretary), Mr. F. R. Borrett, Mr. W. Ireland, Mr. W. C. Duffield, Mr. J. Souter, Mr. C. J. More, Mr. A. J. Berry, Mr. S. Moule, Mr. F. Callum, Mr. W. Rose, Mr. E. F. Poppy, Mr. E. Youngs, Mr. W. Cutting, Mr. F. Brunning, and other members. The oak coffin bore the inscription: 'Frederick Day, died July 8th, 1922, aged 69 years.'

After the committal, Messrs. J. Souter, E. F. Poppy, W. Rose and W. Ireland rang a touch on the handbells over the grave, and, later, muffled touches were rung on the bells of the Parish Church, followed in the evening by a muffled peal of Bob Major. Four members of the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association of Ringers (Messrs. E. Youngs, W. Cutting, F. Brunning and E. F. Poppy) acted as bearers. Among the flowers were wreaths sent by the Eye and Thornham companies of ringers.

At St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, on Tuesday, July 18th, 414 Stedman Caters: Claxton 1, Miss H. Bil 2, Miss F. Bil 3, J. Brettell 4, R. Hardy 5, D. T. Potter 6, F. Davey 7, G. H. Cross 8, F. R. Copeman 9, Capt. Dale 10.—Also 845 in the same method by: Miss H. M. Durrant 1, Miss H. Bil 2, Miss F. Bil 3, G. Claxton 4, R. Hardy 5, B. J. Howelin 6, G. Mayer 7, F. R. Copeman 8, G. H. Cross 9, P. H. Davey 10. These touches, conducted by G. H. Cross, were rung half-muffled as a just token of respect to the late Mr. Frederick Day.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

## BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. ANNUAL MEETING AT WELLS.

The annual meeting of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association was held in Wells, Somerset, on Saturday, July 8th, when there was a large attendance of ringers, many towers being represented, including Taunton (St. Mary's and St. James), Bridgwater, Frome, Wedmore, Mark, Wells, Chewton Mendip, West Pennard, Leigh-on-Mendip, Long Ashton, Bristol, Corston, Midsomer Norton, Radstock, Shepton Mallet, Bath, Glastonbury, Cheddar and Ilminster. Mr. A. Walker, Ringing Master, St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, and Mr. J. Thomas (Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, bell founders, London) were also present. The local arrangements for the gathering had been very efficiently made by Mr. Walter Farley. The members attended the afternoon service at the Cathedral, the preacher being the Rev. E. S. C. Lock, Vicar of West Pennard, who founded a short address on the words, "For we are members one of another."

The visitors were afterwards conducted round the Cathedral.

Following a tea the annual business meeting was held. The Master of the Association (the Rev. Claud C. Parker, Rector of Corston) presided over a large attendance.

### A REVIEW.

The Master, in a review of the year, said it was a great satisfaction to hold their annual meeting in the Cathedral city, and they were grateful to the Dean and Chapter for the facilities given them, and especially to Mr. Walter Farley, to whose energy and careful arrangements its success was mainly due. It was a disappointment that circumstances had prevented the Bishop, their President, from being present. They respectfully offered him their congratulations on his appointment, and expressed the hope that he would take as keen an interest in their association as his predecessor, the late Bishop Kennion. They could assure him that his Lordship would find in the association a very loyal body of church workers. There had recently been a meeting of the Central Council at Lincoln, which gathering was attended by Mr. Hunt, of Taunton. It was suggested at that meeting that a fund should be formed by each association to assist in providing and restoring bells in poor parishes, but he personally thought they might find it doubtful whether the amount that could be granted to any parish would be sufficient to make the formation of such a fund worth while. Turning to the affairs of their own association, the most important event was the restoration this year of a full annual report. Owing to the war and consequent financial difficulty, it had been impossible for the last six years to have an annual report printed, but he hoped for the future they would have one every year, as in pre-war days. The lapse of so long a period had made the task of their secretary one of exceptional difficulty, especially as all the returns from the towers had not yet been received. The association was recovering from the effects of the war, and was making real progress. The number of members and towers had increased and they were able to put on record a moderate list of peals. He urged district secretaries, to whom they owed so much, to seek to recover lapsed towers, and all members to great activity in the coming year, especially in the recruiting and training of new members. In regard to the financial position, they had in the last few years seen their reserve gradually diminishing, but this year there was a satisfactory increase. This was due to several reasons. First there was the special means taken to increase their income. The grants towards providing tea at the meetings were withdrawn, and secretaries were only allowed to expend a third of the subscriptions for local expenses. An affiliation fee of 2s. was required from every tower. The last provision resulted in a sum of £8 being received; but inasmuch as many towers sent in 5s., and one at least 10s., and as there were 106 towers belonging to the association, there must be a considerable number which had failed so far to comply with this provision. The hope expressed was that the affiliation fee should be paid by an application to the incumbent, churchwardens, and parochial church council, and he asked that such application should be made by all towers. He was certain that it would rarely be refused, in view of the great advantage to a parish of the ringers being attached to the Diocesan Association. These provisions had undoubtedly helped them to increase their reserve, but they had to recollect that an additional economy was effected by only printing the Master's report, and the balance sheet last year. Nevertheless, the balance sheet on the whole was a favourable one, and the members might think it wise to continue another year without any further expedient for increasing income. The details of the year's working was as follows: Members, hon. life, 6; hon. members, 79; performing members, 882; non-resident life members, 150; non-resident ringing members, 7; unattached, 49. Meetings had been held at Bath, Dulverton, Long Ashton, and Ditchat during the year, whilst 18 peals had been rung, viz., Grandsire Caters, 2; Bob Major, 1; Stedman Triples, 4; Grandsire, 3; Doubles in four methods, 1; three methods, 1; two methods, 2; Grandsire Doubles, 4. They would notice that there were 49 unattached members. The reason why members were unattached were variable and for the most

part justifiable, but at the same time most of them would agree that it was desirable where possible that every member should be attached to some tower. He was glad to see that there was variety in the list of peals, and he hoped next year's report would record not only an increased number of peals, but also of methods. He trusted that under God the association would continue to make progress and fulfil its useful purpose during the coming year in the diocese (applause).

On the motion of Mr. Taylor (Ilminster), seconded by Mr. Holmyard (Midsomer Norton), the Master's report was adopted.

### BALANCE SHEET.

Mr. E. Burgess (hon. secretary and treasurer) presented the balance sheet, which showed that during the year the reserve had increased from £67 ls. 7d. to £86 16s. 8d.

The Master, in moving the adoption of the financial statement, extended thanks to Mr. Taylor for auditing the accounts. He considered it distinctly creditable that their association had been able to get through trying times so well. Their thanks were due to Mr. Burgess, who had conducted the affairs of the association with such economy that they had been able to increase their reserve.

The Rev. J. E. W. Honeywill (Leigh-on-Mendip) seconded the motion, which was supported by Mr. Taylor, who pointed out that they would in the immediate future have to find £20 for printing the annual report, whilst their stock of stationery was low, and would soon need replenishment.—The motion was carried.

### RINGERS' MEMORIAL.

Mr. Burgess also presented the accounts relating to the fund for providing a memorial to Somerset ringers who fell in the war, and which tablet had been erected in Bath Abbey.

The Master congratulated Mr. Burgess upon the energetic and successful manner in which he had carried through the memorial scheme.

It was unanimously decided to grant an honorarium of £10 10s. to the secretary and treasurer for his services.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Bishop is president of the association, and the three Archdeacons of the Diocese and Preb. Boyd were re-elected vice-presidents, with the addition of the Rev. J. E. W. Honeywill.

Mr. Taylor proposed the re-appointment of the Rev. Claud C. Parker as Master of the Association.—Mr. T. Griffin (Radstock) seconded, and the re-election was approved by hearty applause.

The Master, in acknowledgment, said he had been the Master for many years, and whilst he felt a change was desirable, he particularly desired to see the association embarked upon a successful career after the war, and for that reason he would be pleased to continue in the office for another year.

Mr. Holmyard proposed the re-election of Mr. Burgess as hon. secretary and treasurer, and said if they searched the diocese they could not find a better man.—Mr. Maddock (Taunton) seconded, and the motion was unanimously carried.—Mr. Burgess said he would be pleased to do the best he could for the association for another year.—Mr. Taylor was re-elected auditor, and Mr. A. S. Bore (St. James', Taunton) was elected a member of the association.

The meetings of the association were fixed to be held at Burnham, Corston, Ilminster, and Yeovil (annual meeting).

Mr. Hunt mentioned that arrangements had been made to increase the number of bells in the tower of St. Mary's, Taunton, to twelve, and suggested that one of the quarterly meetings should be held at Taunton so that members might be able to try the new bells.—Mr. Coles (Bridgwater) deprecated the idea of interfering with the approved sequence of meetings. The association decided to adhere to the original programme in regard to meetings.

Mr. Hunt, as a representative of the association at the Central Council meeting at Lincoln, gave an interesting resume of the proceedings.

The Master proposed a vote of thanks to the Rev. E. S. C. Lock for his sermon, the Dean and Chapter for affording the association facilities in regard to the annual meeting at Wells, the Dean for his address to them after the service, Canon Davis and Canon Alcock for showing them round the Cathedral, and to Mr. Walter Farley for making the local arrangements.—The vote having been heartily endorsed, the Rev. E. S. C. Lock and Mr. Farley replied.

After the meeting various members visited the towers of the Cathedral and St. Cuthbert's, and enjoyed short touches. Two courses of Stedman Caters were also rung on the handbells by Messrs. E. Brown (Bristol), A. Walker (Birmingham), J. Thomas (London), J. Hunt (Taunton), J. T. Dyke (Midsomer Norton).

WITNEY, OXON.—On Whit Monday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Rev. R. C. L. Newhouse 1, M. Smith 2, J. Butler 3, J. Monk 4, R. G. Rice (conductor) 5, G. F. James 6, N. Spindlow 7, R. Keen 8. It had been intended to attempt a peal, but owing to unavoidable delays two of the band could not arrive in time. The band represents eight different parishes: Buckland, Banbury, Hagbourne, Witney, Harwell, Blewbury, Ducklington and Southleigh.

**SPLICED TREBLE BOB MAJOR.**

9,600 OF OXFORD AND KENT.

By C. SEVERN, KILLAMARSH.

23456	1	3	5	24365	1	3	5
52436	—	—	—	65432	—	—	—
25436	—	—	—	56432	—	—	—
32546	—	—	—	45632	—	—	—
23546	—	—	—	34562	—	—	—
52346	—	—	—	63542	—	—	—
45236	—	—	—	36542	—	—	—
26534	—	—	—	53642	—	—	—
32654	—	—	—	45362	—	—	—
23654	—	—	—	64352	—	—	—
52364	—	—	—	46352	—	—	—
65324	—	—	—	34652	—	—	—
56324	—	—	—	53462	—	—	—
24365	—	—	—	42365	—	—	—
				64235	—	—	—
				46235	—	—	—
				24635	—	—	—
				32465	—	—	—

Repeated.

In this peal there are no bobs, Oxford places being made at lead ends 1, 3, 5. The 7th and tenor are never in the slow, the course is reduced to one of 160 changes. The peal contains the 60 course ends.

The real is reduced to 5760 by adding a call at 1 and 5 in the 14th course of each part, which brings up the 26th and 56th course ends respectively. It is reduced to 5120 by omitting the call at 1 in the 11th course of 1st part, which brings up the course end 64235 and adding a call at 1 and 5 in the 14th course of 2nd part, which brings up the 56th course end 43256.

First rung as a 5120 at Eckington on July 22nd, 1922. Conducted by the composer.

**FALSE COMPOSITION.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I beg to inform you that the peal of Double Norwich Major rung at St. John the Baptist, Tuebrook, Liverpool, on Feb. 27th, 1908, is false. Recently (if I am correctly informed) Mr. H. W. Wilde turned up this particular composition, and found that in the

reduced form (5,072) which was rung repetition occurs; in its original form (as a 5,184) it is quite true.

I can only say in extenuation that at the time I had not thought to question the truth of the author's (the late John R. Pritchard) compositions, and offer my sincere apologies to the surviving members of the band who took part.—Yours faithfully, J. MARTIN.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

A successful meeting of the Biggleswade District was held at Clifton on Saturday, July 8th. The ringing during the afternoon and evening included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Major and Bob Major. Members and friends were present from Hitchin, Dunstable, Barton le Clay, Bedford, Turvey, Walthamstow, Biggleswade, Northill, Sandy Roston, and the local company.

At the business meeting which followed tea, provided at the Vicarage, Mr. G. P. Lucas, of Walthamstow, was elected a life member, and Roston was chosen for the next place of meeting.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Bishop for the use of the bells and providing such a splendid tea (to which 22 sat down); to the ladies and churchwardens for assisting at the tea; and to the local company for having everything ready.—Mr. Revitt, in responding, said what great pleasure it gave the Bishop and churchwardens to welcome so many ringers from so many different towers. He hoped the time would not be long before they paid another visit.

During the evening, several touches of Plain Bob were rung for the benefit of learners.

**COLLEGE SINGLE DOUBLES.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Will you please allow me to point out both to Mr. Hammond and Mr. Matkin that the figures they each publish are not Doubles at all? Three changes in every lead are Singles which would, of course, mean at least 38 out of the 120. Also, the eight blows behind are inadmissible. In conclusion, I would advise each of these gentlemen to stick to Snowdon's standard methods, wherein the best collection of Doubles is to be found.—Yours faithfully,

Walton-le-Dale, Lancs.

E. R. MARTIN.

PONTEFRAC, YORKS. — On Monday, June 19th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: B. Moody 1, W. Pearson 2, W. Hawley 3, A. Walker, junr. (conductor), 4, A. Walker, senr., 5, J. Jackson 6, H. C. Walters 7, T. Williams 8.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,****LOUGHBOROUGH.****THE****LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank are recasting four of the bells at St. Mary's, Lambeth, and rehanging the whole peal. The church first had eight bells in 1723, and the inscription on the treble records that 'these eight bells and frames and all appurtenances were new made, and a considerable weight of metal added to the old bells. A.D. 1723.'

The inscription adds: 'The cost near 250 pounds was defrayed by the gifts of many gentlemen and other inhabitants of this parish.' The distinction between the gentlemen and the other inhabitants is amusing.

There were bells at St. Mary's, Lambeth, more than four hundred years ago, for in the churchwardens' accounts for 1514-15 is a record as follows: 'Item for the fastening of iij belles yt wer lowese in the stoks & a stei to the gret bell lijs.'

The Whitechapel Foundry's connection with them is an ancient one, for the following appears in the accounts for 1586-87, the bell founder being obviously Robert Mot, the first of the long line of proprietors: 'It, to Mote for ye bell bringinge home and for ye clapper and bawdricke xvjs. viijd.' and, in 1598-99: 'Item paid to Mr. Mote's man for bringing ye greate bell clapper from Whitechappell to Lambeth, vjd.'

There are other items paid to Mr. Mote, including in the year 1599-1600. xiiijli. xis. viijd. for a new bell.

Even in those days they used mats in the belfry, for in 1604-5 there is an entry: 'Item payed for matts for safegarde of the bell ropes, xvijjd.'

The bells now to be recast are the 2nd, 4th, 7th and 10th.

A village fete, in aid of the restoration fund of the parish church bells, is to be held at Sutton-on-Trent on Bank Holiday. Among the events will be a ringers' tug-of-war, and we hope there may be seen many doughty teams at the rope ends. This is an event in which ringers ought to excel, although they will doubtless find the hand-stroke much better than the back stroke for this purpose.

The Hertfordshire ringers have made a ringing raid into Buckinghamshire, three parochial companies of change ringers from St. Albans, Tring and Bushey, visiting Beaconsfield, Slough and Windsor during July.

All Saints' tower, Boyne Hill, Berks, is an unfortunate one. When the first octave of bells was put up the 7th fell from top to bottom of the tower, passing through a circular opening in the groining of the ceiling of the ground floor with only an inch to spare. The bell fell quite plump, and was not injured in any way. The steeple caught fire some years afterwards, and melted the bells, which necessitated a new peal. They have not been rung for several years past, and are now in the hands of the bell hangers. Last week the 5th bell fell into the pit, the chain by which it was suspended having snapped. The 'hanger' had only just vacated the pit, and was standing on the framework at the time.

Yesterday was the jubilee anniversary of the first peal in Ireland. This was Holt's Original at Christ Church Cathedral, Waterford, and there were some famous old ringers in this band of College Youths: W. Cooter 1, J. Pettit (conductor) 2, J. R. Haworth 3, G. A. Muskett 4, C. Lee 5, M. A. Wood 6, A. Hayward 7, W. Greenleaf 8.

On July 30th, 1792, the then longest peal of Grandeira Major was rung at Aston by St. Martin's Youths. The length was 7,552.

Last week we recorded a peal rung at Southover, Lewes, on Saturday, July 15th, in celebration of the birthday of Mr. R. J. Dawe and his father. We regret to record that Mr. Dawe, senr., who had been ailing for some time, died on the following day.

The Midland Counties Association meeting announced for Newark next Saturday, will be held instead at Mansfield.

A peal of Cinques, at Waltham Abbey, Essex, on Saturday evening, and a peal of Major in Worcestershire on Sunday afternoon, is the latest bustle of Mr. James George.

## CAMBRIDGE ROYAL.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—If Mr. Pye will read my letter again, he will see that I simply stated that I had composed the peal in 1910; in the same issue he stated that he had composed it in 1908; to my mind, that settles the matter, and I did not write to you because I do not see the use of using up your valuable space unnecessarily; with me silence gives consent.

Mr. Burford is mistaken in thinking that Nos. 907 and 343 in the Gloucester and Bristol report are the same; 343 is a perfect five-part reduced, and 907 is not.—Yours, etc.,  
H. LAW JAMES.  
Surrey.

## THE RECORD PEAL.

'LENGTH' 'TIME' AND 'PERFORMANCE.'

To the Editor.

Sir,—It would be as well if your correspondents, when they write on this subject, would first of all take each case on its merits, and not try to compare the peal they have in mind with peals which obviously come in another class. It is impossible to compare the Loughborough peal with the Appleton peal as a 'performance.' The Loughborough peal set up three distinct records, viz., the greatest number of changes; the greatest length of time, and the heaviest weight of metal rung to a long peal by one set of men, and Mr. Pye is correct when he says that the peal as a 'performance' has not been beaten. But the 'time' has gone, and the number of changes has gone with it. So we have to look at the matter from two points of view.

Are we to understand that to beat a record peal we must pick out bells of equal or heavier weight and 'go,' and ring a longer length? Because, if so, the Wigston peal did not beat the Kidlington peal; neither did the Painswick peal of Grandsire, Cinques beat the Ashton peal of Cinques; nor did the Painswick peal beat the 'Bull Ring' peal. Neither did the Ashton peal of Royal beat the Shoreditch peal, nor did the 18,800 at Mottram beat the Debenham peal. If a band rang 18,000 of Treble Ten at Evesham, how would it compare with the Loughborough peal? We must, therefore, come to the conclusion that Mr. Willson was wrong when he said that the Appleton peal could be beaten at Loughborough Bell Foundry. The number of changes and the time could be exceeded, but the peal 'as a performance' could not be beaten there. So it seems as though we must stipulate that rules be laid down, as in all other sports; weight for age, and handicaps for tried long pealers. It will be easy for Mr. Pye to let the Loughborough peal stand as a 'performance,' for he has no necessity to beat his own 'performance.' If he picks a peal of ten, with a tenor of 15 cwt., and rings a 22,000 of Stedman Caters, he will then have beaten the Appleton peal in time, number of changes 'and as a performance.' To beat the Loughborough peal all round, 19,000 will be required at Evesham, or 22,000 at Evesham to set up a combined record in regard to time, number of changes and 'performance.' But 19,000 of Royal would not beat the Loughborough peal of Caters, even if rung at Loughborough. It would merely set up a new record, for how can a Royal record beat a Caters record?

All the squabbling in the world will not wipe away the fact that the Appleton peal men have rung the greatest number of changes, and the longest time (if it is only a few minutes longer) ever rung by one set of men, and I don't remember having seen any claim put in by them to anything else but that. No 'performance' was mentioned in their footnote. No excuses should have been made for that or any other long peal as regards the 'go' of the bells. The peal as rung should stand on its merits. Excuses may be all right as crutches, but they are a bad pair of legs for anything to stand on.

As regards the compositions of these, or any other peals, it has been suggested that all compositions be submitted to a committee for proof. Now, if the gentlemen who write on this subject would only use the modicum of grey matter which their parents had vouchsafed unto them in the way it was intended to be used, they would never suggest such things; for if a committee was formed these very gentlemen who write on this subject would, indirectly, elect as a committee the only persons available who are fitted for the work of proving these peals, viz., the composers themselves. It is proved that these gentlemen, who have the best of intentions, are only mortals like ourselves; for there are very few composers who have not issued at some time or other a false composition, and even the committee appointed by the C.C. to deal with the proving of the peals that were intended for publication were so frail that some of them allowed false compositions to be issued to the Exercise in the C.C. publications, to say nothing about passing over peals of merit and the inclusion of countless compositions which have 'nowt abahit 'em,' and when asked why they had included so many of their own compositions, replied that 'they could not see anything better.' Some of us quite realise that the statement that 'they could not see' is all too true. However, until the Exercise comes under Soviet rule, and God spare us from that, we shall never compel any composer to submit his compositions to a committee before they are rung. He will bestow his good work, the jewels of his thoughts, created by years of patient study and application to that which is his hobby, where he likes; and the Exercise, if it is wise, will be content to let it rest at that, unless we want to wipe out the very splendid rivalry which exists among composers, and which indeed has existed since the first peal was composed.

In conclusion, may I point out to the 'Great Ones' of the Exercise that no one has a sole monopoly of the fount of knowledge? The said great ones may have amassed a greater store of knowledge than their humbler brethren. No doubt, all of us in our time have tried 'to teach our grandmother how to suck eggs'; and found out to our cost that, although we knew that 2 and 2 made four, she knew that as well as we did. The possession of a great amount of know-

ledge alone is not sufficient to raise any individual to the top of the tree. It is the striking personality which commands a respect for his ability to put to judicious use, for the good of the community, his immense store of knowledge which raises a man to the 'upper rooms' at the feast, leaving the humbler brethren content to worship at his shrine. But woe betide him if his followers find that their idol has only feet of clay after all. I know that a certain humble member of the Exercise was once on the edge of the desert at Sidi-bel-Abbas, and during the awful silence which comes in the hour before dawn, remarked to a camel driver how impressive the silence was. The reply he got was 'the voice of silence speaks louder than any voice,' especially the silence which precedes the day of great things.—Yours sincerely,  
ONCE A BEGINNER.

## 'A LONDON RINGER'S' REPLY.

Dear Sir,—Had I any suspicion when I wrote to you about the Appleton record peal that it would be replied to by Mr. W. Pye my letter would never have been written. I quote from experience, and it is under the exceptional circumstances that I have allowed myself to be drawn into this again.

My letter did not contain anything, either directly or indirectly, to belittle the Loughborough peal in any respect. Therefore, Mr. Pye's accusation is entirely misplaced, and he could have saved the uncomplimentary remarks I have heard from various ringers in respect of the tone of his letters.

I may say the object of my letter was to contest Mr. Willson's remarks, which would, if not replied to, give a false impression to those of the Exercise who were without knowledge of the conditions that actually existed, and it jarred on my nerves when explanations were not forthcoming.

Taking into consideration the nature of previous controversies, I am rather confident that Mr. Pye does not care to see any of his numerous records beaten, especially the Loughborough peal. He will, no doubt, for argument's sake, differ from me, but why doesn't he recognise the Appleton peal? Mr. Willson did not think the Appleton peal as good a performance as Loughborough. But why, then, did he say, 'It will come unstuck if given a place suitable'?

I am in absolute agreement with Mr. George William's letter, and I am glad when I see a gentleman of repute back my statement in respect of light bells.—Yours faithfully,  
A LONDON RINGER.

## MENTAL FAILURE.

Sir,—In his letter respecting 'Record Lengths,' in your issue of July 21st, Mr. W. Pye says: 'I have never seen a ringer collapse under mental strain, but I have seen many do so under physical strain, which is sufficient proof that physical strain is the most trying.' Has Mr. Pye never known peals or touches come to grief owing to mistakes on the part of one or more ringers? If he has, I would ask, what is this but mental failure? In my opinion there are many more ringers who could sustain the physical strain of a peal, of whatever length, than there are those equal to the mental strain. In ringing generally mental failure is common, while physical collapse is very rare.—Yours faithfully,  
G. A. PECK.

Saltburn-by-Sea.

## SPORTING ETIQUETTE.

Dear Sir,—As an ordinary ringer may I be allowed to make a suggestion re the long peal controversy? Firstly, I think for leading ringers to write such letters as some that have appeared on the subject is setting a very bad example to the Exercise, and not giving a very good impression to those who may have just begun to take an interest in ringing.

In cricket, for instance, when Prince Ranjitsinhji, C. B. Fry, Hobbs, and others have broken records, the sporting Press has not been flooded with letters from previous holders of such records, such as the late Dr. W. G. Grace, E. M. Grace, etc., claiming that the feats were not done on such big grounds or against such good bowling, or such things as that.

Surely there should be some etiquette amongst first-class ringers, as there undoubtedly is with the majority.

The long peal band at Appleton is to be commended for not being drawn into a controversy in such bad taste. Perhaps Messrs. Pye, Willson and Co., will go and beat the 21,363 at Appleton; doubtless they would be made welcome there. It is only six miles from Oxford Station. G.W.R.—Yours,  
'A COMMON OR GARDEN RINGER.'

Sir,—I do not remember that I have ever troubled you with correspondence before, and it would be an excellent thing if some others followed my example.

I have never met Mr. Pye, and am unwilling to believe him as conceited as his letters to your paper make him appear. He has made himself a wonderful reputation at the end of a rope, but is rapidly spoiling this by his peunmanship. Let Mr. Pye stick to his rope, where he is an acknowledged leader, and leave newspaper correspondence to those who have the training for it.—Yours, etc.,  
HOWARD FREERORN.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

### ESSEX RINGERS IN KENT.

On Saturday, July 15th, the Woodford and Loughton companies had their annual outing, and were accompanied by Mr. G. F. Margetson and Mr. H. T. Scarlet, and other friends, the party numbering 28. Starting from Loughton at 8 a.m., a lovely ride, by charabanc, was enjoyed. At Erith, Kent, ringing took place at St. John the Baptist's and Christ Church. The next place of call was Northfleet, and then the party went on to Milton-next-Gravesend, where, after several touches on the bells, dinner was partaken of. On the return journey Swanscombe was visited, and afterwards Dartford and Crayford. During the day touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich Major were brought round. A most enjoyable day was spent, and the ringers wish, through 'The Ringing World,' to thank their Kent friends who helped to make the outing a complete success.

### A TRIP INTO SALOP.

The ringers of St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, had their annual outing on Saturday, July 15th, starting from St. Peter's Church by motor charabancs at 12.15 p.m. for Bridgnorth, which was reached after an hour's delightful run. The party, numbering 23, were met by Mr. John Overton, the genial captain of the Bridgnorth band, and the bells of St. Leonard's Church were soon going merrily to Stedman Triples, nicely struck with successful results. A plain course of Double Norwich Major was brought round, but some of the party being novices in this method the striking was none too good. After a short touch of Grandsire Triples and a touch of Bob Major the bells were dropped, and a start was made for Coalbrookdale by way of Much Wenlock, a very ancient and interesting place, said to be 'one of the oldest boroughs in the country.' After a look round the ruined Abbey the party continued their journey by way of Buildwas. This was really the prettiest part of the journey. Going down some very steep hills, the valley opened up before them in all its splendour, with the beautiful green foliage of the trees lining the hills on either side, 'surely one of England's beauty spots.'

At Coalbrookdale the visitors were welcomed by the locals (who, on seeing them approach, struck into a touch of Stedman Triples, the striking being excellent). After joining in further touches of Stedman, an adjournment was made to the Commercial Hotel, where an excellent knife and fork tea, laid out in first-class style by the host, was enjoyed. Following another short visit to the tower, the party restarted for Shifnal at about 6.30, where they arrived about 7.10, and had about 45 minutes' ringing, Bob Major being the method. After cooling the engines they started for home, which was safely reached at exactly 9 p.m., giving the Birmingham friends who accompanied the party time to catch their trains.

Thus ended a very enjoyable and successful outing. The company wish to thank all the friends who met them at the respective places; the incumbents for granting the use of the bells, without which a ringers' outing would be spoilt. The whole of the party voted it an ideal outing, and hoped for a repetition at some future date.

### THROUGH THE FYLDE DISTRICT.

On Saturday, July 15th, the annual outing of the Penwortham (St. Mary's) Society was held, when a tour of the Fylde district of Lancashire was made. After a good run in delightful sunshine (for St. Swithun was in gracious mood), the party first stopped at Great Singleton, where they were met by Mr. Mapp, of the local band. The bells were raised, and touches of Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Double Court were rung. Probably the most notable feature about Singleton is the beautiful condition of the churchyard which speaks volumes for the amount of good work which must be spent on its care.

At Poulton-le-Fylde, the unveiling of the war memorial was taking place, and on completion of the ceremony the local ringers invited the party to ring a 720 in celebration of the occasion, which offer was gladly accepted, and a well-struck extent of Kent Treble Bob Minor brought round.

A rollicking ride over the potholes to Cockerham then followed, and the male portion of the party were quite ready for the tea which awaited them (the ladies had made emergency arrangements at Poulton). After tea, it was pleasant to linger on the hillside and to see the view across the bay to the mountains of Furness and Cumberland beyond, out of the cluster of which Black Combe, the Langdales and Coniston Old Man, stood in grandeur, mute reminders of time. A move was then made to the tower, where touches of Plain Bob and Oxford Single Minor were rung: an attempt at a 720 of Double Court, however, proved unsuccessful.

Then the return and all that it means. The party wish to take this opportunity of expressing their thanks to the Vicars and ringers of the various churches visited for permission to use the bells and for having everything in readiness to make the trip a success.

### CHELMSFORD DISTRICT RINGERS' EXCURSION.

On Saturday, July 15th, the annual outing of the Chelmsford district of the Essex Association took place, ringers from Boreham, Broomfield, Chelmsford, Springfield, Widford and Writtle, taking part. Leaving Chelmsford at 7.30, picking up a party of nine at Writtle, including the church organist, St. Mary's Parish Church, Harlow, was the first objective, and here the party were met by Mr. Tucker. The bells were raised and soon going, but ringing had to be curtailed owing to the stranding of the second rope. At the next place, Sawbridgeworth, Mr. Tarling was in waiting, and each ringer had a touch upon this heavy ring. After about an hour a move was made to Saffron Walden, where the travellers were welcomed by Mr. F. J. Pitstow, general secretary of the association. After dinner a move to the fine old tower, where Stedman Triples, Caters and Grandsire Cinques were brought round. Then on to Finchingfield, by way of Thaxted, where a call was made to view the church, but not to ring. Finchingfield was reached in time for tea, and ringing took place afterwards, Bob Major, Treble Bob, Grandsire and Cambridge Surprise being brought round on the fine going bells. The last place for ringing after a splendid country ride was Sible Hedingham, where Mr. L. Wiseman and several of the local company were waiting. The bells were used in Cambridge, Stedman, Treble Bob and Double Norwich, some of the local company joining in. At 9 o'clock a move was made for home. The company wish to thank the various incumbents for the use of their bells, and to the local ringers who were kind enough to meet them, and especially Mr. F. J. Pitstow, who made the excellent arrangements for the dinner and the towers.

### ST. ALBANS CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.

On Saturday, July 15th, St. Albans Cathedral Society made a charabanc tour through South Bucks. The party left St. Albans at 9 a.m., and made their first call at Denham, where the bells were found to 'go' very heavily. Riding through delightful scenery including Burnham Beeches, they next reached Slough where they were met by Messrs. Leader, Fussell, and others, who joined in ringing Stedman Triples and Superlative Surprise Major. Touring via Maidenhead, Great Marlow was reached, where luncheon was enjoyed by all. The visitors were met by Mr. J. C. Truss and others, the belfry was visited, and touches of Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Superlative were brought round. The next place on the programme was High Wycombe and its twelve-bell tower. Here Mr. R. Coles awaited the travellers, and assisted in ringing a course of Stedman Cinques. A touch of Stedman Caters was also successfully brought round, and then a course of Double Norwich on the back eight brought the visit to a close. After tea, a ramble through the town was followed by a further move to Woodburn, where several of the local ringers were met, and further ringing indulged in. The last place of call was Beaconsfield. Here the party were met by several of the local band, and Mr. C. A. Bennett, who was a probationary member of St. Albans Cathedral Society some years ago. Ringing included touches of Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major. The journey was then continued, and home was reached at 11.30 p.m., after a most enjoyable day. The best thanks of the members are due to the various incumbents for the use of the bells, the towerkeepers for arrangements made, and other friends who kindly assisted.

### NEWBURY MEN IN EAST BERKS.

The St. Nicholas' ringers, Newbury, devoted their annual holiday to a tour of towers in East Berkshire. The first call was Wokingham, and very soon the bells of All Saints' were tapping off Grandsire Triples. Going on through Bracknell and Ascot, and after a delightful ride through the Great Park, Old Windsor was reached. Here the party were met by Mr. Harman, who had charge of the arrangements in the Royal Borough. Stedman and Grandsire were the methods tried on the delightful peal, and some nice touches were brought round. The next move was to the Castle, Mr. Harman having previously obtained permission for the party to visit the State Apartments and Royal Mews. After dinner, a move was made to the Parish Church, where several of the local ringers welcomed the Newburians. About half an hour's nice ringing completed a most enjoyable and interesting time. At Farnham Royal the party were welcomed by Mr. J. J. Parker. Further ringing took place here, and then the excursionists set off once again through beautiful country, and Burnham, famed for its beeches, was reached in time for tea. More ringing at the village church, and it was time to start on the return journey. Passing through Maidenhead and Twyford, a call was made at Sonning, where the last ringing of the day took place on a grand peal of eight recently rehung in a steel frame. Ringing completed, a start was made for home, which was safely reached after a most enjoyable excursion. The ringers wish to thank the various incumbents for the use of the bells, and the foremen at the towers for having everything in readiness.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**GLASGOW.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, for evensong, at St. Mary's Cathedral, 360, 360 and 240 Stedman Doubles: J. E. Sykes 1, T. O'Hara 2, R. J. G. Thoms 3, W. N. Ashby 4, N. W. S. North 5, G. Hague 6.

**PETERBOROUGH.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, for evensong, at the Church of St. John the Baptist, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes), in 49 mins.: V. Butler 1, W. Cross, junr., 2, T. Vaughan 3, J. Wright 4, F. Davis 5, H. Beechley 6, F. Cooke (conductor) 7, C. T. P. Brice (Pulham St. Mary) 8.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, at the Parish Church, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: J. Copping 1, A. Binfield 2, Miss E. Jarvis 3, E. Bridges 4, J. Henley 5, S. Binfield (conductor) 6, T. Farley 7, W. Knight 8.

**APPELDRE, KENT.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: Mrs. H. Baker 1, H. Want (first quarter inside) 2, A. Johnson 3, H. Baker 4, G. Billenness (conductor) 5, E. R. Burgess 6, B. Baker (first quarter inside) 7, G. Johnson 8. Composed by A. P. Wakley.

**TENTERDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: Mrs. H. Baker 1, H. Want 2, H. Baker 3, C. Tribe 4, H. Parkes 5, E. R. Burgess 6, G. Billenness (conductor) 7, G. Johnson 8.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.**—At Emmanuel Church, for evening service, on Sunday, July 23rd, in 26 mins., 720 Bob Minor, with 7-8 covering, after meeting short for Grandsire Triples: J. Pook 1, A. Kentfield 2, W. Hobbs 3, G. H. Myers 4, H. Burner 5, J. Woodley (conductor) 6, A. Symons 7, A. Hobbs 8.

**PUTNEY.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, July 23rd, for evening service, 700 Grandsire Triples, in 25 mins.: H. Harding 1, E. Walsom 2, P. Norton (longest inside) 3, Robt. Fardon (conductor) 4, H. Belcher 5, C. Edwards 6, A. Harding 7, — Edwards 8. Arranged to oblige the local ringers on the occasion of their annual outing.

**CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, for Matins, 720 Bob Minor: W. Shillock 1, W. Boughton 2, C. Boughton 3, A. Short 4, W. Short (conductor) 5, W. C. Boughton 6. Arranged for A. Short on a visit from Shrewsbury.

**CHELSEA.**—At St. Luke's Church, on Sunday, July 23rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters: W. Dean 1, H. Burton 2, H. Franks (first quarter-peal of Stedman Caters) 3, C. Mitchell 4, A. Newman 5, H. Good 6, E. Reeve 7, W. Essey 8, H. Mance (conductor) 9, W. Hawson 10.

**BREWOOD, STAFFORD.**—On Sunday, June 18th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 47 mins.: H. J. Balcombe 1, F. Birks 2, H. E. Booth 3, A. G. Hunt 4, H. Knight 5, H. Wakeham 6, J. Perry (conductor) 7, L. Swift 8. First quarter-peal of Stedman by the ringers of the 2nd, 6th and 8th.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted, but which came to grief through the breaking of one of the ropes. These were rung during a week-end visit of Messrs. H. Knight and H. J. Balcombe, of Wolverhampton. An attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples on the previous day coming to grief, after which a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung in 49 mins.: H. J. Balcombe 1, C. Wallater 2, H. Knight 3, T. Perry (first of Stedman) 4, J. J. Taylor 5, E. J. Mitchell 6, J. Perry (first as conductor) 7, A. G. Hunt 8.

**EAST CROMPTON.**—At St. James' Church, on Sunday, July 16th, for evening service, in 26 mins., 720 Violet Treble Bob: J. Whybrow 1, S. Wareham 2, W. Oates 3, C. Howarth 4, J. R. Buckley 5, J. Butterworth (conductor) 6.

**CIRENCESTER, GLOS.**—On Sunday, July 16th, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): J. E. Waters 1, — Edwards (Tenterden) 2, W. G. Cook (conductor) 3, W. Hayward 4, F. J. Lewis 5, J. Butler 6, H. C. Bond 7, J. Hayward 8.

**BARKING, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, June 25th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes), was rung in 46 mins.: R. Fenn 1, W. Beard 2, F. Russell 3, H. E. Parker 4, E. H. King 5, C. Fenn 6, G. W. Faulkner 7, E. G. Cottis 8. Composed by A. J. Troup. Conducted by C. Fenn. Taken from 'The Ringing World.'—Also, in the evening, 1,008 of Stedman Triples: C. Fenn (conductor) 1, G. W. Faulkner 2, F. Russell 3, H. E. Parker 4, W. G. Jackson 5, E. H. King 6, R. Fenn 7, E. G. Cottis 8.

**BUCKLEBURY.**—At the Parish Church of St. Mary on Sunday, June 25th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 48 mins.: Emma Franklin 1, William Wigmore 2, George Davis 3, Sidney Chapman 4, Fred Freeman 5, Stella Davis 6, James Hazel 7, William Matthews (conductor) 8. Composed by R. T. Hibbert.

**WINDSOR.**—At the Parish Church, on July 2nd, 550 Grandsire Triples, for evening service: Crofts, Fussell, Smith, Farr, Harman, Copsey (Bovne Hill), Stillman (conductor), Cronley.

**HEAVITREE, EXETER.**—On Sunday, June 25th, for evening service, at the Parish Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. R. Sandover 1, W. S. Lethbridge 2, T. G. Bartlett 3, T. Laver 4, A. G. Betts 5, C. G. Glass 6, R. F. Deal (conductor) 7, F. Rogers 8.

## SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL BELLS.

## THE REOPENING.

It was decided a few months ago, that the peal of twelve bells in Sheffield Cathedral should be thoroughly overhauled, and this commission was entrusted to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the White-chapel Foundry, the founders of the peal. The original 7th and 10th bells were cracked, consequently these were recast, and the whole peal have been put into proper tuning notation, and rehung with modern fittings, whilst the old oak frame has been considerably strengthened.

In order to meet the wishes of the Cathedral Vicar, it was arranged that the dedication ceremony should take place before he left Sheffield to take up his new duties as Bishop of Coventry, consequently this event took place on Sunday morning, July 2nd. The Bishop, with his attendant clergy and churchwardens, visited the ringing chamber, where the dedication of the two recast bells was carried out, the choir singing appropriate hymns on the adjoining leaden roof, after which the bells were rung for service.

The ringers' 'official' opening took place on Saturday, July 22nd, when there were visitors from the local towers, and also from Chesterfield, Bolsover, Worksop, Rotherham, Manchester and Derby.

Ringings which commenced shortly after 3 p.m., with various touches on 8, 10 and 12 bells, and a course of Superlative Surprise Major on the back eight (tenor 40 cwt.), showed to a marked degree the great and effective improvement wrought by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

After a substantial tea at the Exchange Restaurant, ringing was indulged in until 8.30, after which an adjournment was made to the local headquarters, where social intercourse and handbell ringing, consisting of plain courses and touches of Grandsire Triples, Caters, and Cinques, Stedman Triples and Caters and Bob Major, brought to a very fitting close an enjoyable and red-letter day in the history of the Cathedral bells.

There is no doubt at all that the firm of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have worked wonders with the old peal, and in the opinion of those well qualified to judge, there is in Sheffield not only a fine peal of twelve, but also a very musical front eight for Triples and Major peal ringing.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A Guildford district meeting was held at Cobham on Saturday, July 15th, and was well attended by ringers from Clandon, Cobham, Cranleigh, Godalming, Guildford (St. Nicolas and Holy Trinity), Ockham and Shere. A service was held in the church conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Canon Grane), who also gave a capital address. Tea was served in the Institute, presided over by the Vicar, about 30 sitting down. A business meeting followed, at which the Ringing Master (Mr. A. C. Hazelden) presented his report.

The usual vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the church and bells, and to the organist for presiding at the organ. Many touches were rung during the afternoon and evening on the six bells.

## PEAL TABLETS AT STAVELEY.

Two peal tablets have been erected in St. John the Baptist's Church, Staveley, one commemorating a peal of Bob Major rung on November 3rd, 1919, for the 77th birthday of the Rector (Canon Molineux) and his 32nd anniversary at Staveley; and the other a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major on August 3rd, 1920, in honour of the conferring of knighthood upon Dr. Josiah Court, J.P., of Staveley.

They have been affixed one each side of the tower archway in the church, where they can be seen by people outside of the ringing fraternity. The tablets are of Welsh slate, with letters carved and gilded, and are a credit both as to design and execution to Mr. C. G. Jones, of Rugby, with whom the order was placed.

## THE WRONG BELL.

The following amusing story was recently told by a clergyman: During a summer holiday I took a Sunday's duty for a brother parson. Just before the service began I asked the churchwarden if there were any notices to be given out.

'You might just rub it into them about the Bell Fund,' he whispered. 'It's going pretty slow. Only twenty pounds so far.'

I rubbed it in all right. I pointed out that 'sweet chiming bells' were a great asset to a church. They stirred consciences, revived memories, and made the air fragrant with the call to worship. I urged the congregation to support the Bell Fund, and I thought I had done pretty well, despite the fact that I sensed an atmospheric change. People coughed, smiled, whispered.

Said the warden after the service, 'Ye-es,' sir, what you said was all right—in its way. Unfortunately the Bell Fund was not to get any more bells. It was to help the widow of Mr. Bell. He was organist here for twenty years.'

## NOTICES.

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WORKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

—The Annual meeting will be held at Lichfield on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available—Cathedral (10) 3 to 3.45 and 6 to 7.30; St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3 o'clock. Service in Cathedral at 4. Tea at Lloyd's restaurant at 4.50—to fully paid members 1/-, to others 1/9; general meeting to follow.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern Division.**

—An extra Meeting will be held at Ardleigh, on Saturday, the 29th July. Service at Parish Church 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m., when all ringers will be entertained by the kind invitation of H. R. Neuth, Esq.—R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec., 12, Ireton Road, Colchester. Will all Secretaries of Companies note the change of address?

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Summer meeting will be held at Hexham and Corbridge, on Saturday, July 29th.—E. E. Ferry, Hon. Sec., 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 5.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**LEEDS & DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**

—The next Monthly meeting will be held on July 29th, at Rothwell. Peal attempt 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—C. E. Lawson, Hon. Sec., 10, Leather Street, Leeds.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—A Special meeting will be held at Old Duston, on Saturday, July 29th. Usual arrangements.—S. J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Road, Northampton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A Special meeting will be held at St. Luke's, Liverpool, on Saturday, July 29th, at 5 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—Walter Hughes.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The Annual General meeting of the Guild, will be held at Warwick, on Saturday, July 29th. The bells of St. Mary's (10) and Emscote (8) will be available from 2.45 p.m. Service in St. Mary's Church, at 4 p.m. Address by the Rev. C. A. H. Russell, Vicar of Whitnash. Tea and business meeting (election of officers) to follow.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—The next meeting will be held at Royston and Barkway, on Saturday, 29th July. Royston bells will be

available all the afternoon. Tea and meeting will be held at the 'Wheatsheaf,' Barkway, at 5 p.m. Buses run from Barkway on Saturdays. All ringers heartily welcome.—F. R. Bacon, District Sec., 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A Monthly meeting of the above will be held at MANSFIELD, on Saturday, 29th July. Ringing from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—Thos. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—A District meeting of North-Western Division will be held at St. Mary's, Stansted, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available during afternoon and evening.—F. Dench, District Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next Meeting will be held at Wedmore, on Saturday, 29th July. Service at 5 o'clock, tea and meeting to follow. Eight bells afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, 35, Oxford Street, Burnham-on-Sea.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—The Wickwar Meeting of the Wootton Branch has been postponed for a week, to July 29th, owing to the Rector's inevitable absence on July 22nd.—W. A. Lewis, Hon. Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Deanery Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Milverton, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m., tea and meeting after. Tea will be provided at the 'White Hart' at 1s. per head.—P. Merson, Branch Sec., Bishops Hull.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting will be held at Darwen on Saturday, July 29th. Ringing 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wimborne Branch.—A quarterly meeting is to be held at Shaftesbury on Saturday, July 29th. Ringing from 2.30. Service in Holy Trinity Church at 4.30. Tea at 5 followed by business meeting.—A. Phillips, Hon. Branch Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Horsell, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.40. Tea and meeting to follow. Gentlemen welcome.—Hilda F. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

**SALTBURN.**—Jubilee of dedication of Parish Church. Special services July 30th and August 6th. Ringing from 9.30 a.m. and 5 p.m. The tower will also be open for ringing from 2 p.m. on July 29th and August 5th. All ringers welcome. Tea (1/6) arranged for all who give notice beforehand.—G. A. Peck, Eden Corner, Saltburn.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m. Bishopsgate, July 31st and August 28th. St. Clement Danes, August 21st. Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th at 5.15 p.m. Send your name in for the Summer outing on Saturday, Sept. 9th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A Meeting will be held at Richmond Parish Church, on Wednesday evening, August 2nd, by the kind permission of the Rev. I. F. Kendall (Vicar). Ringing from 7 to 9.15 p.m.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on August 3rd, 17th and 31st; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 8th; Southwark Cathedral on the 15th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 22nd; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 24th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodlingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—A meeting will be held at Tring on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. A short service will be held in the Parish Church. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers and friends welcome.—F. J. Reeve, Hon. Dis. Sec., Clifton House, Tring.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch. —A Ringing meeting will be held at Halsall (near Ormskirk), on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (6) available all day. Will ringers please turn up in good numbers? Visitors welcome.—John Halsall, Branch Sec.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—Next meeting at Wentworth, August 5th. Six bells. Meat tea at 5.30 p.m., 2/- each; please send notice to Mr. Wadsworth, Rockingham Arms, Wentworth, Rotherham, by August 3rd. Permission granted to walk through gardens at Wentworth House. Bells lately put in order.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec., Clergy House, Chesterfield.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A General meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch of the Association will be held at East Dereham, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. The ring of eight bells of the Parish Church will be available. Luncheon will be served at the King's Head Hotel, at 1 o'clock, tickets 3s. per head, followed by the general business meeting. Members intending to be present at the luncheon, please notify the Secretary not later than Thursday, August 3rd.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—There will be a General Meeting of the Branch at Boyne Hill, Maidenhead, on Monday, August 7th (Bank Holiday), when all will be welcomed by the Vicar to celebrate the restoration of the bells. There will be a Service at the Parish Church, All Saints', at 4.30 p.m. Tea will be served on the vicarage lawn at 5.15 (weather permitting). Those intending to be present will please advise the Secretary by 31st inst. A charge of 1s. each will be made to cover part of the cost of same. A business meeting will follow at 6 o'clock. My Committee rely upon foremen of Towers notifying all members and ringing friends in their respective districts of this fixture and placing the notice in the belfry. The following towers have been kindly placed at the disposal of the Guild by the clergy: Burnham, 10 to 11 a.m.; High Wycombe, 10 to 11 a.m.; Old Windsor, 12 to 1 p.m.; Wooburn, 12 to 1 p.m.; Boyne Hill, 3 p.m.—Alfred J. Harman, Hon. Sec., 2, St. Mary's Cottages, Grove Road, Windsor.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual Festival will be held at Lymm, on Monday, August 7th. Service 11 a.m., preacher, the Rev. W. R. Ingham, M.A., Vicar of Middlewich. Other particulars by circular.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills, Stockport.

**PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the above will be held at Peterborough, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. The bells of St. John's (8), St. Mary's (6), Woodton (6) available during the day. Service at the Parish Church at 4 o'clock. Tea and meeting afterwards. All ringers welcome.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The next Meeting will be held at Donnington, Spalding, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea in Church Institute, at 4.15 p.m. Bells available all day.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The reopening of Boyne Hill Bells, Maidenhead, will take place on August Bank Holiday. Evening service and tea, see further notice of details.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Sutton-on-Trent, Crowe Park Station, G.N. Railway, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. A new peal of six bells (tenor 12½ cwt.) will be available for ringing from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The village sports and gala will be held in the Football Field at 2.30 p.m.; the proceeds of 'gate' will be in aid of the restoration of the church bells. Twenty events including ringers' tug of war, and fishing in the Trent. Admission to grounds 1/- adults, 6d. children. Teas provided on the Sports Grounds near the church from 3.30 onwards in Marquee, adults 1/-, children 6d. A meat tea will be provided for ringers in the Church Hut at 1/6 per head to members, 2/- to others, who notify Mrs. Bartley, The Vicarage, Sutton-on-Trent, Newark, not later than Tuesday, August 1st. This is important. A hearty welcome will be given to members of kindred Associations.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—The annual summer meeting will be held at Ranmore on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. By the kind permission of Lord Ashcombe, the beautiful grounds of Denbies will be thrown open during the afternoon to ringers and friends. Tea and refreshments may be had near the church. The bells at St. Martin's, Dorking, will also be available from 7.30 to 9. All ringers welcome.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**NORTHWOLD (8 bells) and METHWOLD, Norfolk (6 bells),** by kind permission of incumbents, will be open for ringing on August Bank Holiday. Visitors are recommended to bring lunch with them.—Fred R. Borrett.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Hale on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes.

**BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A Meeting will be held at Crofton, near Wakefield, on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready early, in splendid order. Tea will be provided strictly for those sending their names before August 5th, to Mr. E. Stead, 4, Park View, Crofton, near Wakefield. A cordial invitation is offered to all ringers.—C. D. Potter, Sec.

**ARKSEY, DONCASTER.**—A combined practice has been arranged at this tower, every second Saturday in the month. All visitors welcome.—G. Clark, Sec.



**THANKS.**

Mr. Frank Willey and family wish sincerely to thank all friends for their sympathy and condolence received during their sad bereavement, and for floral tributes.—F. Willey, 110, Petrie Street, Sheffield.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—For Free Estimates and Drawings, send Peal Cards or full particulars of Peals to—C. G. Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

**'GRANDSIRE DOUBLES & TRIPLES SIMPLY EXPLAINED.'**—Intended for beginners and for those who find the ordinary books of instruction too technical. To be obtained from I. Roe and M. Broome, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath. Price 6d.; post free 6½d.; 5/9 a dozen, post free.

**HANDBELLS FOR SALE.**

Peal of 12 Handbells in A. Condition as good as new. Just the thing for tower work.—Apply, Mrs. Trinder, Green Lane, Church Street, Upper Walmer.

**FINE SET 15 WARNER'S HANDBELLS,** Tenor size 18 in G, equality in tone, leathers new condition, only been used for tapping, price £8.—Witham, Prestea, Woodside Road, Parkstone, Dorset.

**THE 'RINGER'S CLOCK.'**—Westminster (Cambridge Quarters) Chime Clock, chimes quarters on deep-toned rod gongs, stands on bracket or mantelpiece, oak Jacobean finish case. Fully guaranteed timepiece, £8 8s.—Address as above.

**LATE NOTICES.**

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leominster and Presteign District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Staunton-on-Arrow, on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (6) available 3.30. Service 5 p.m. Tea 6 p.m., free to those notifying me not later than August 2nd.—A. Talbot, District Sec., Staunton-on-Arrow, Tenbridge.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ledbury District.—A meeting will be held at Eastnor, near Ledbury, on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Church service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting at the Somers Arms after service.—Richard Thomas, Dist. Hon. Sec.

**RINGERS' OUTINGS.**

(Continued from page 475.)

**A SUNDAY TRIP.**

On Sunday afternoon, July 16th, six members of the Stanton-on-Hine-Heath band cycled to Edmond, where they were met by Mr. Rodenhurst, of Hodnet. They found a handy ring of six bells with a tenor of about 10 cwt., rung from the ground floor.

Owing to the bad weather, one of the band failed to turn up, and Minor could not, therefore, be attempted; however, a well-struck 720 of Grandsire Doubles was rung by H. Clay 1, W. Lycett 2, E. V. Rodenhurst (conductor) 3, S. France (first 720 on a bob bell) 4, W. Clay 5, H. Edwards 6. The party were afterwards entertained to an excellent tea by Mr. Morris, wife of a local ringer.

For evening service, another 720 was rung, conducted by W. Clay, with T. Lycett on the tenor. The band wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells, for altering the time of children's service so that the band could ring; also Mr. Morris for having the bells ready. It was intended to ring at Chetwynd after service, but this had to be abandoned owing to the weather.

**STEVENTON, BERKS.**—On Wednesday evening, July 19th, at the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 50 mins. being ten and a half six-score called differently: R. C. Smith 1, J. Nobes (conductor) 2, F. W. Bunce 3, J. L. Betteridge 4, A. P. W. Fletcher 5, A. Breakspear 6. This is the longest length ever rung on the bells, and by all the band, who are the first local company to attempt method ringing. They began in 1921.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****ROCHESTER DISTRICT AND THE WAR MEMORIAL.**

The quarterly meeting of the Rochester District of the Kent County Association was held at Rainham, on Saturday, July 15th, and was well attended. The association service was held in St. Margaret's Church, conducted by the curate-in-charge, the Rev. W. Walton, and the organist and choir brightened the service by their voluntary attendance. Over 30 members listened to an interesting address by the Rev. W. Walton, who spoke of the fine work that ringers were doing for the church, but reminded them that often they called people to the House of God and neglected to go themselves.—A collection at the close for the Association War Memorial realised 10s. 7d.—Tea followed in the Church Hall, and was admirably served by Mr. F. Ockwell, one of the local ringers. The Rev. W. Walton presided, supported by Mr. Coomber (churchwarden) and Mr. Bone (organist).

The business meeting which followed was of short duration, the principal business being to decide the place for the annual district meeting, and Sittingbourne was unanimously chosen for October 7th.

The District Secretary reminded the members that the subscription cards to the war memorial were slow in coming in, as during the past three months he had only received two—Swanscombe 23s. and Sittingbourne 10s. He urged members to do their best and hurry on with the lists, as he did not wish the district to be all behind.

On the proposition of Mr. F. M. Mitchell (district secretary) a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the curate-in-charge, and the churchwardens for the use of the bells, to the former for his address to the organist and choir for their attendance.—The Chairman, in responding, said he was sorry the bells could not be rung at the appointed time, owing to the funeral of one of their oldest inhabitants.—Messrs. Coomber (churchwarden) and Bone also responded.

Methods up to Superlative were rung during the afternoon and evening, and the six-bell enthusiasts took advantage of a 'pull' at Hartlip, where Cambridge, Oxford and Plain Bob were rung.

In addition to the district members, visitors attended from Ashford and Canterbury districts.

**YORKSHIRE STONE.**

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

**BELL ROPES.**

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
COVENTRY.

**PUBLICATION.**

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**—THE RINGING CAREER OF  
LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton,  
Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to  
XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers  
I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in  
cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair  
Home, Wokingham.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

**Leading Church Bell Hangers.**

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells.—Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

## JAS. E. GROVES,

**CHURCH BELL  
HANGER,**

43, Malvern Road,  
Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 304 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 5th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the Hon. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section III (Double Norwich) ...	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

**PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.**

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

*Splicing and Repairs*

**JOHN PRITCHARD,**

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price ...	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

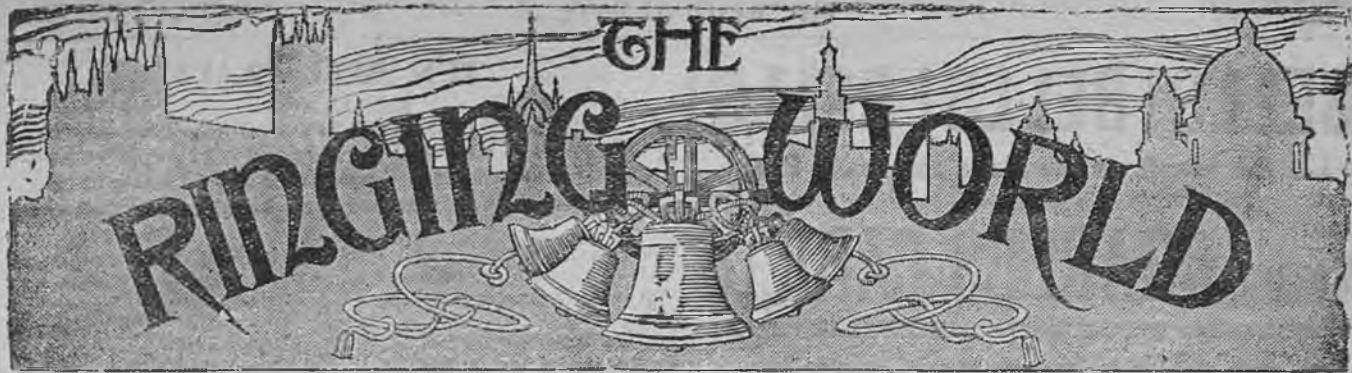
In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 88/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 8/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING **WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolle House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 594. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4th, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 8d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### LETTER-WRITING.

Recent correspondence in 'The Ringing World' seems to have raised embittered feelings in some quarters and resentment in others, and, from one or two letters which have reached us, it appears advisable that our position should be explained. Our columns have always been open for the free expression of opinion on subjects relating to ringing, and that they should be thus available to those who wish to air their views is in the best interests of the art. Frequently a correspondence arises out of some perfectly innocent remark or comment, sometimes it springs from other causes in which, as in the case of the Appleton peal, a deliberately challenging argument is put forward. In either event, it is only fair to give both sides a hearing, for one cannot be given without the other, except at the risk of a charge of being unfair. That some writers adopt a more aggressive attitude than others is not the fault of the Editor, and those who complain would be surprised to see the amount of 'censorship' that is sometimes used. Again, there are some who imagine that, because letters appear upon a subject in which they are not specially interested, the correspondence is likewise of no interest to others. But here they are mistaken. The Editor of a paper gets the broader view, and knows that, whatever the subject, there will always be a section of readers who will follow it with interest. The great drawback to correspondence through the Press is that some people cannot resist the temptation to discuss personalities instead of principles, and while it is this which makes for embittered feeling between parties, it is not always easy to exercise a controlling hand, without robbing a letter of its point. We are not apologising for anything which has passed the editorial pencil, but we want our readers, and particularly those few who complain, to realise that when there are two parties to a warm controversy, it is not so simple as it may seem to keep the writers to soft words.

At the same time we want to point out to correspondents who seek the hospitality of our columns, that their arguments will carry more weight when confined to combating statements or proving principles than when personalities are introduced. The latter lead nowhere, except to weaken respect for the writer and bring him into disrepute as a debater. Fair, honest discussion and criticism brings enlightenment and spreads knowledge, and there is no reason why a man should not show himself to be in his letters, as in his life, a gentleman. We are constrained to write thus in order that there may be no misapprehension as to our position. We cannot shut out a writer merely because he has a habit of saying unpleasant things, or a subject because it does not interest every reader; but while ringers have the use of our columns we have the right to ask them to conduct their correspondence with due regard to the ethics of public letter-writing.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

**Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.**

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway),

**Late 155, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Giles,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM FAREY, SEN. ... Treble	JOHN METHERELL ... 6
FRED HOPPER ... 2	WILLIAM ROGERS ... 7
*BERTIE O. SODEN ... 3	*JOSEPH DEAN ... 8
*TOM TEBBUTT ... 4	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... 9
FRED WILFORD ... 5	JAMES GEORGE ... Tenor

Composed by W. GARRARD.

Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Royal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. J. Allen. This is the quickest peal of Royal on the bells.

NORTH SHIELDS, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

At Christ Church,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5173 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19 cwt.

*WILLIAM L. GOFTON ... Treble	JAMES E. GOFTON ... 6
†RICHARD A. GOFTON ... 2	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... 7
ANDREW TULLY ... 3	R. ALDER GOFTON ... 8
GEORGE R. HOLMES ... 4	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... 9
EDWARD A. HERN ... 5	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

\* First peal of Caters. † First peal of Stedman Caters on tower bells.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, July 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

*OWEN H. GILES ... Treble	PERCY W. CAVE ... 5
*WILLIAM G. EDWARDS ... 2	*D. CECIL WILLIAMS ... 6
*JOHN W. FAITHFULL ... 3	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 4	WILLIAM T. TOCKER ... Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Superlative.

CARISBROOKE, ISLE OF WIGHT.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. 0 lb.

WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... Treble	WILLIAM TATE ... 5
HARRY BARTON ... 2	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 6
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... 3	EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 7
FREDERICK J. BURNETT ... 4	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

This is the first peal of Double Norwich in the Isle of Wight. The band wish to thank the Vicar for placing the bells at their disposal, and Mr. White for having everything in readiness.

OLNEY, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

*H. LOVELL ... Treble	J. LOVELL ... 5
B. FISHER ... 2	F. J. MYNARD ... 6
W. ROBINSON ... 3	W. FREEMAN ... 7
*E. G. MYNARD ... 4	E. S. MYNARD ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by W. FREEMAN.

\* First peal of Major.

WEST MALLING, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

GEORGE NEWMAN ... .. Treble	HARRY GOODWIN ... .. 5
TOM SAUNDERS ... .. 2	J. WILLIAM LEONARD ... .. 6
*CHARLES H. SONK ... .. 3	BEN J. BAKER ... .. 7
GEORGE BELL ... .. 4	LEWIS NEWMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by L. NEWMAN.

\* 50th peal. First peal of Major as conductor.

CLIFFORD, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

EDGAR R. JONES ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. SYMONDS ... .. 5
CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 2	ALFRED TALBOT ... .. 6
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 3	JAMES P. HYETT ... .. 7
JOHN H. RACKHAM ... .. 4	*JOSEPH T. MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. EDWARDS.

\* First peal on eight bells. Rung to celebrate the erection by Mr. Blakstad, of The Priory, of a beautiful reredos in the church as a war memorial to his son and to the men of the parish who lost their lives in the great war.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

WILFRED W. BAILEY ... .. Treble	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 2	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 6
LEONARD P. BAILEY ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 7
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 4	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal of Cambridge by eight brothers, also the conductor's 300th peal.

WITNEY, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, July 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb.

JOHN MONK ... .. Treble	HARRY HOLIFIELD ... .. 5
MRS. ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 2	REV. CYRIL W. O. JENKYN ... .. 6
RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 3	ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 7
THOMAS SHORT ... .. 4	GORDON CAUDWELL ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. FLEMING. Conducted by ALBERT E. LOCK.

POPLAR.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH, CUBITT TOWN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

CHARLES T. CLARK ... .. Treble	JOHN J. LAMB ... .. 5
REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 2	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 6
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 4	JAMES D. MILLER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

This is the 50th peal on the bells.

EARL SHILTON.—On July 15th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, in 45 mins.: P. Reynolds 1, H. Wright 2, W. Reynolds 3, F. Wilson 4, H. Webb 5, H. Garner 6, F. Cotton (conductor) 7, G. Garner 8. Rung on the first anniversary of the Vicar's (the Rev. H. V. Williams) induction. Also 1st anniversary of the reopening of the bells. First quarter-peal of Major for ringers of 1, 3 and 4, and first quarter-peal of Major on the bells.

PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

JOHN SOTTER ... .. Treble	*GEORGE BROWN, JUN. ... .. 5
WILLIAM ROSE ... .. 2	*GEORGE CATTERMOLLE ... .. 6
*WILLIAM CLOVER ... .. 3	*CLEMENT MORE ... .. 7
*ALPHAËUS BERRY ... .. 4	ERNEST POPPY ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by ERNEST POPPY.

\* First peal in the method, also first peal in the method on the bells.

PENTRE RHONDDA.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, July 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

GEORGE CROSS ... .. Treble	THOMAS HAMLIN ... .. 5
GEORGE WINES ... .. 2	JAMES CROSS ... .. 6
HARRY PAGE ... .. 3	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. 7
FREDERICK LASBURY ... .. 4	TOM PAGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD.

Conducted by TOM PAGE.

First peal in the method on the bells and by all the band. First peal in the method for the Association by a local band.

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 28, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN W. STEDDY ... .. Treble	ERNEST LEIGH ... .. 5
RICHARD JENNER ... .. 2	GEORGE MALYAN ... .. 6
GEORGE EDWARDS ... .. 3	KEITH HART ... .. 7
JAMES HEASMAN ... .. 4	EDWIN COLLISON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

SWANSOOMBE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

GRANTA VARIATION.

Tenor 18 cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... .. Treble	JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 5
WILLIAM HARPER ... .. 2	HERBERT HOLDEN ... .. 6
FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... .. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. 7
JOHN WHEADON ... .. 4	HERBERT AUDSLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

This is the first peal of 'Granta' Treble Bob by the Kent Association

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 20 cwt.

JESSE B. TYLER ... .. Treble	*ARTHUR THORN ... .. 5
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	FRANK WILLARD ... .. 6
ARTHUR S. BOAR ... .. 3	PERCY MERSON ... .. 7
WILLIAM DOBLE ... .. 4	EBENEZER FRIDDLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

\* First peal of Stedman.

ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

*WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... .. Treble	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 5
JOHN OLDSAM ... .. 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 6
JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 3	R. HENRY BARTRAM ... .. 7
HAROLD G. JENNEY ... .. 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRED H. DEXTER.

\* First peal of Major, age 14.



GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.	
HENRY HUTTON ... ..	Treble	HARRY BURDOCK ... ..	5
CHARLES N. BURDOCK ... ..	2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... ..	6
GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	3	ALFRED H. POLLING ... ..	7
ERNEST WEATHERBY ... ..	4	HARRY HARRIS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to Mr. Ben Chorley, late Hon. Sec. of the Holy Trinity Society.

GILMORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.	
*G. STEDMAN MORRIS ... ..	Treble
†SIDNEY CHENEY ... ..	2
JOHN E. CLARKE ... ..	3
*FRED STANFORTH ... ..	4
Composed by JOHN MARTIN.	
Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.	

\* First peal in the method. † First peal and first attempt. First peal in this method on the bells. Rung to celebrate the marriage of Miss W. Willars (twin sister of the 7th ringer), which took place at St. Martin's, Leicester, on July 27th; also as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

PULFORD, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.		Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.	
EDWARD HARRISON ... ..	Treble	JOHN W. DAVIES ... ..	5
GEORGE R. JONES ... ..	2	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... ..	6
SAMUEL JONES, SEN. ... ..	3	JAMES SWINDLEY ... ..	7
ROBERT SPERRING ... ..	4	SAMUEL MEADOWS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by SAMUEL JONES, JUN.

First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Samuel Jones, sen.

GRESTFORD, DENBIGHSHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt. in E flat.	
FRANCIS BIBBY ... ..	Treble
HENRY-C. COLLYER ... ..	2
WILLIAM BIBBY ... ..	3
JOHN E. BIBBY ... ..	4
Composed by H. W. WILDE.	
Conducted by E. JENKINS.	

First peal in the method on the bells and in the county. Great difficulty was encountered in ringing the peal owing to the 'bad 'go' of the bells, especially the 6th. Arranged for Mr. G. H. Randles, who has long desired to ring a peal on these his native bells, also rung on the anniversary of his first peal.

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.	
*GEORGE FLEMING ... ..	Treble
ALBERT FLEMING ... ..	2
JOHN GARRETT ... ..	3
HARRY HALL ... ..	4
Composed by A. KNIGHTS.	
Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.	

\* 50th peal. † 200th tower bell peal.

FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.	
WILLIAM RICHES ... ..	Treble
ROBERT RICHES ... ..	2
GEORGE FILBY ... ..	3
CHARLES CUTTING ... ..	4
Composed by GEORGE H. CROSS.	
Conducted by E. WHITING.	

\* First peal of Bob Major. First peal of Bob Major as conductor. The ringer of the treble was elected a member of the Association previous to starting.

ASHTED, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 14 cwt.	
*MRS. HAZELDEN ... ..	Treble	ARTHUR DEAN ... ..	5
JOHN BEAMS ... ..	2	ALBERT DISERRENS ... ..	6
CHARLES HAZELDEN ... ..	3	ALBERT HARMAN ... ..	7
JOHN H. WHITE ... ..	4	JAMES COOPER ... ..	Tenor
Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.			

\* First peal of Stedman.

BARTHOMLEY, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BERTHOLINE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.		Tenor 13½ cwt.	
WILLIAM GRICE ... ..	Treble	JOHN BRASSINGTON ... ..	5
GEORGE H. CRAWLEY ... ..	2	ARTHUR ALLMAN ... ..	6
CHARLES H. PAGE ... ..	3	JAMES H. RIDING ... ..	7
ALBERT CRAWLEY ... ..	4	*JOHN H. PARKER ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. RIDING.

\* First peal. It is 26 years since Mr. W. Grice rang a peal.

LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in F sharp.	
ERNEST LINCOLN ... ..	Treble
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON ... ..	2
ALPHAUS J. BERRY ... ..	3
EDWIN R. GOATE ... ..	4
Composed by REV. H. EARLE BULWER.	
Conducted by F. R. BORRETT.	

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

SHELLEY, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF EMMANUEL,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Roystone Delight, Kingston, Sandal Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, New London Pleasure, Woodbine and Oxford.

Tenor 11½ cwt.	
*HARRY ROBERTS ... ..	Treble
HERBERT CHAMBERLAIN ... ..	2
ARTHUR PANTHER ... ..	3
Conducted by A. PANTHER.	

\* First peal. First peal on the bells. Treble ringer belongs to Kirkburton band, 4th to Darfield, 5th to Hoylandswaine, 2nd, 3rd and tenor to Wath-on-Deane.

ABERAVON, GLAM.—On Whit Tuesday, June 6th after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins., from Grove's Variation of Parker's: J. Hammond 1, R. Ellis 2, H. Boyce 3, W. J. Nulton 4, O. H. Perry (conductor) 5, A. J. Pitman 6, F. Atwell 7, A. J. Hutton 8.

ELSTON, NOTTS.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(NOTTINGHAM DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 8040 CHANGES;**

42 six-score.

Tenor 10 cwt.

*F. MILNER ... .. Treble	A. J. CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 4
*T. FOSTER ... .. 2	E. FOSTER ... .. 5
*J. P. BRESON ... .. 3	H. F. CLULOW ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. J. CHAMBERLAIN.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor. All the above ringers are from Southwell Cathedral.

SHEFFIELD.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 8040 CHANGES;**

IN 10 VARIATIONS.

Tenor 9 cwt.

*ALBERT E. BRACKLEY ... Treble	ERNEST FORBANK ... .. 4
*HARRY TURNER ... .. 2	WILLIAM LEGGETT ... .. 5
ALBERT RAINBIRD ... .. 3	*CHARLES BRACKLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by A. RAINBIRD.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells.

WALPOLE ST. ANDREW, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Kent Treble Bob, two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in F.

FRED WIGMORE ... .. Treble	BERT GOGLE ... .. 4
WALLACE COUSINS ... .. 2	CLAUDE COUSINS ... .. 5
JOHN RODWELL, JUN. ... 3	TONY PRICE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

First peal in three methods and first attempt by all the band, whose ages are as follow: treble 18 years, 2nd 16, 3rd 19, 4th 24, 5th 19 and tenor 16.

BRADFELD, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford Delight, New London Pleasure, Duke of York, Woodbine, Violet, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 12 cwt.

ALBERT HELLIWELL ... Treble	GEORGE HILL ... .. 4
ARCHIE BREARLEY ... .. 2	ARTHUR GILL ... .. 5
ARTHUR PANTHER ... .. 3	JOHN R. BREARLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by A. PANTHER.

The first peal on the bells since their rededication on July 24th by the Bishop of Sheffield. Rung to celebrate the anniversary of the English Victory over the Spanish Armada, July 29th, 1588.

WHEATSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5400 CHANGES;**

Being seven and a half 720's called differently. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*PERCY REYNOLDS ... Treble	TOM ATKINS ... .. 4
CHARLES H. WEBB ... .. 2	HENRY WRIGHT ... .. 5
FREDERICK E. WILSON ... 3	FRED COTTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. COTTON.

\* First peal. Longest peal by all.

GLASGOW.—At St. Mary's Cathedral, for practice, on July 19th, 1,800 Stedman Doubles: N. W. S. North 1, J. E. Sykes 2, T. O'Hara (conductor) 3, W. N. Ashby 4, G. Hague 5.—For practice, on July 21st, 1,260 Stedman: N. W. S. North 1, J. E. Sykes 2, T. O'Hara 3, W. N. Ashby 4, G. Hague 5.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent, Oxford Double Court, Single Oxford Bob and Bob Minor. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ERNEST BAILEY ... .. Treble	FREDERICK WADE ... .. 4
ALBERT A. J. L. NAUNTON ... 2	GEORGE LEE ... .. 5
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

WEST PENNARD, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 23 cwt.

WALTER FARLEY ... Treble	*STANLEY CARTER ... .. 4
GERALD GRIFFIN ... .. 2	THOMAS GRIFFIN ... .. 5
*DAVID G. TAYLOR ... .. 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor on the bells.

CODDINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Merchant's Return, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

RICHARD THOMAS ... Treble	CHRIS. BOWERS ... .. 4
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 2	DAVID HORNE ... .. 5
E. WILLIAM TURNER ... .. 3	GEORGE JORDAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID HORNE.

First peal as conductor. Quarterly peal for the Ledbury District.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Thursday, July 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Six and a half Minutes,  
IN TRINITY COLLEGE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY (Trin.) 1—2	W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') 5—6
J. B. WOOLLEY (Jesus) ... 3—4	A. E. WILKINS (Trinity) ... 7—8

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

ALDEBURGH-ON-SEA, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Nine Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF SS. PETER AND PAUL'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's. Tenor size 16 in B flat.

ROY PILGRIM ... .. 1—2	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 3—4
*JACK PILGRIM ... .. 5—6	

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

Witness: MISS STOCKBRIDGE.

\* First peal. Mr. J. Pilgrim was proposed a member of the above Association before starting the peal.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, July 27, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 size in B flat.

ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 1—2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7—8
THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 3—4	ALBERT WALKER ... .. 9—10
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 5—6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 11—12

Composed and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

Referee: RICHARD C. INGRAM.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. ANNUAL FESTIVAL.

There was a large gathering of ringers at Oxford on Saturday week, when the Diocesan Guild Festival was held. No less than 66 towers were represented by 166 members. A service was held in Christ Church Cathedral, at which the Master (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) officiated, assisted by the Rev. C. Williams, the Precentor, who expressed the regret felt by Bishop Shaw at his inability to be present owing to indisposition. The preacher was the Rev. H. J. Green, of Christ Church.

At the business meeting, held in the Chapter House, the Master presided, supported by Canon Coleridge (President of the Central Council), the Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis (treasurer), Mr. R. T. Hibbert (hon. secretary), the Revs. W. J. Palmer (Easton), J. T. Fox (Great Milton), E. M. Thorp (Bucklebury), E. H. W. Leachman (Blewbury), and others. Apologies for inability to be present were received from the Archdeacon of Berkshire, the Rev. E. Sedding, the Rev. G. Littledale, Mrs. W. Poie Routh, Messrs. E. Dickens and A. J. Wright.

Canon Coleridge, proposing the re-election of the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn as Master of the Guild, alluded to the services he had rendered to it, and the proposition was heartily applauded. The Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis, who Canon Coleridge said would be 80 next year, was re-elected treasurer, and Mr. R. T. Hibbert secretary. The usual honorarium of £20 was voted to him.

There were two vacancies on the committee caused by the resignations of Canon Newhouse, and Mr. J. Kerte, who has become secretary of the Chipping Norton branch. Messrs. W. Hibbert, sear, (East Isley), and J. W. Wilkins (High Wycombe) were appointed to fill the vacancies, and the old members—Messrs. G. Candwell, G. Holfield, E. Humphrey, J. J. Parker, W. Newell, E. Webb H. Sear, J. Evans, A. D. Cullum and J. F. Barlow—were re-elected.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE APPLETON BAND.

Canon Coleridge presented a report on the work of the Central Council meeting at Lincoln, and tendered his congratulations to Mr. George Holifield and the Appleton ringers on their achievement in ringing 21,363 Stedman Caters in 12 hours 25 minutes (applause). There had been no previous opportunity of expressing their feelings collectively on the subject, and he felt they would like to offer their sincere and hearty congratulations to all concerned. He moved that an entry should be made on the Guild minutes to this effect. He did not hear the whole of the peal, as he lived the other side of the county, but he was there half-way through, and had the pleasure of congratulating each ringer as he left the belfry, when they were greeted with hearty cheers by every inhabitant of Appleton, particularly his old friend and contemporary, George Holifield (applause).

The Master said he heard some portion of the peal, and could testify to the excellence of the ringing.

It was agreed to make an entry on the minutes, as suggested by Canon Coleridge.

The Master said he had the pleasure the previous evening of unveiling a tablet commemorating the feat.—Mr. Holifield acknowledged the congratulations.

The Master also reported on the deliberations of the Central Council. He mentioned, as librarian, that he had a complete series of publications from 1871 to the present day, with the exception of six years, but the missing volumes had now been supplied. He spoke of the close watch which was being kept on Parliamentary business to prevent the inclusion of any clause in a Bill which was likely to interfere with bell ringing.

### THE PLACE OF MEETING.

Mr. W. J. Wilkins (High Wycombe) introduced the following motion from the East Berks and South Bucks Branch annual meeting: 'That this meeting views with alarm the decision to again hold the annual festival at Oxford, believing that it is not conducive to the best interests of the Guild for the festival to be held continuously in one centre. Further, that a ballot be taken of the whole of the towers in union, as to the advisability of holding the annual festival consecutively in the three Archdeaconries of Berks, Bucks and Oxon, the foreman of each tower to be responsible for the forwarding of result of ballot to the General Secretary.' He said for the committee to recommend Oxford as the meeting-place for the festival was apt to create a feeling that the remainder of the Diocese was not being treated fairly. Why should Oxford have preference, and the claims of Berks and Bucks be ignored? Such a decision was not in the best interests of the Guild. First of all, there was the social point of view to be considered. There were members living in far-off corners of the diocese who found it impossible to attend the festival if it was held in Oxford. All should have the opportunity of attending. He recalled the meeting at Wantage, and suggested that alternate meeting should be held in Oxford, High Wycombe, and Reading.

Mr. R. Coles (High Wycombe), seconding the motion, said the resolution had the support of the whole of his branch. It was impossible for some members to attend the festival when it was held in Oxford. He had to start early, and travel by charabanc to get there.

The Rev. W. J. Palmer (Easton) appealed for support of the Master of the Guild. Oxford was their Cathedral City. Let them continue to visit it and carry away the lessons offered by the place.

The Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis said when the Guild was young it was necessary to go to such places as High Wycombe for missionary work but now they had branches everywhere, and were advised to hold their annual festival in their Cathedral City.

Mr. Cullum hoped the motion would not be carried, and spoke in favour of meetings in Oxford.

Mr. Mayne (Beaconsfield) said the general opinion of his branch was that a ballot should be taken on the matter.

Mr. Sear said there were two branches in Bucks, and so far as High Wycombe was concerned his members could not attend.

The Secretary of the North Bucks branch agreed with this view.

The Rev. E. M. Thorpe (Bucklebury) said such a motion was a reflection on the Guild officers.

The motion was lost, only 13 voting for it.

### FINANCES.

The Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis presented the accounts, which showed a balance of £58 15s. 2d., as against £47 19s. 9d. It was agreed to vote the following tower restoration grants: Beeton, £3 3s.; Bledlow, £2 2s.; and Sympson, £3 3s. It was agreed to hold next year's festival in Oxford. The Master, the treasurer, Canon Coleridge, Messrs. A. J. Wright, A. D. Cullum, and the secretary were appointed a committee to revise the general rules of the Guild.

The Secretary reported that 144 new members had been elected, and there were 54 new probationers, the largest number for any one year.

Dinner was served in Christ Church Hall, when the preacher, Dean and Chapter, and others were thanked for their assistance to the Guild.

During the afternoon the bells of New College, Merton College, Carfax, St. Giles' St. Ebbe's, St. Mary Magdalen, All Saints', St. Aldate's, Holywell, Ifley, Headington churches, and Kidlington, were at the disposal of members who made full use of their opportunities.

## SPLICED TREBLE BOB ROYAL.

TWO 5,040s by W. PAGE.

23456	1	2	3	4	5	6	23456	1	2	3	4	5	6
56342	—	—	—	—	—	—	52436	—	—	—	—	—	—
42635	—	—	—	—	—	—	36245	—	—	—	—	—	—
64235	—	—	—	—	—	—	23645	—	—	—	—	—	—
26435	—	—	—	—	—	—	42635	—	—	—	—	—	—
32465	—	—	—	—	—	—	64235	—	—	—	—	—	—
43265	—	—	—	—	—	—	26435	—	—	—	—	—	—
65324	—	—	—	—	—	—	32165	—	—	—	—	—	—
26354	—	—	—	—	—	—	43265	—	—	—	—	—	—
32654	—	—	—	—	—	—	24365	—	—	—	—	—	—
63254	—	—	—	—	—	—	62345	—	—	—	—	—	—
54326	—	—	—	—	—	—	45236	—	—	—	—	—	—
35426	—	—	—	—	—	—	24536	—	—	—	—	—	—
43526	—	—	—	—	—	—	32546	—	—	—	—	—	—
24536	—	—	—	—	—	—	53246	—	—	—	—	—	—
52436	—	—	—	—	—	—	25346	—	—	—	—	—	—
45236	—	—	—	—	—	—	42366	—	—	—	—	—	—
34256	—	—	—	—	—	—	34256	—	—	—	—	—	—
23456	—	—	—	—	—	—	23456	—	—	—	—	—	—

All the plain leads are Kent, and all the bob leads Oxford.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

**EAST CROMPTON.**—At St. James' Church, on Tuesday, July 11th, 672 Treble Bob Minor, being 144 Oxford, 72 Kent, 72 Duke of York, 96 Violet, 96 New London, 96 Woodbine, 96 Merchant's return; B. Whitehead 1, G. R. Turner 2, W. Oates 3, H. Oates 4, C. Howarth 5, J. Butterworth (conductor) 6.

**HOLY TRINITY** (Barking Road, London).—On Friday, July 14th, for practice, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: George L. Joyce (conductor) 1, A. Webb 2, T. E. Vincent 3, E. D. Smith 4, A. P. Angel 5, A. Hall 6. First in method by 2, 3, 5, 6, to whom great credit is due. This band are practically self-taught first in plain bob, then Kent, and now turn their attention to Oxford; they are all young men, and have no experienced ringer to help them other than visitors—an example to other struggling bands.

**FOULTON-LE-FYLDE.**—On Saturday, July 15th, at the Parish Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: B. A. Knights 1, H. S. Robinson 2, E. W. Hutchinson 3, J. R. Taylor 4, W. Taylor (conductor) 5, J. Gornall 6. Rung on the occasion of the unveiling of the war memorial.

**SPLICED TREBLE BOB.***To the Editor.*

Sir,—Will you grant me space to put Mr. C. Severn right re the above? I notice by the footnote of his peal at Eckington on July 22nd, he is under the impression that is the first peal of Major on the plan of Kent for plain leads and Oxford leads in lieu of bobs. If he will look in 'The Ringing World' for June 12th, 1920, he will find the record of a peal rung at St. Helen's, Worcester, on June 5th, as a 5,120 of Worcester Treble Bob, conducted by myself.

This method (including a peal) was sent by the Rev. B. B. James to Mr. J. B. Sykes, who was then in Worcester, during the summer of 1919, unnamed and unringed. We rang the method first in August of that year as a 720 of Minor at St. John's, and named it Worcester Treble Bob. It was our intention to ring the Major, but Mr. Sykes being called away it was hung up for a time. We did eventually ring the first peal. Subsequent opinions seemed to indicate that it was a spliced method, and as such it is recognised.—Faithfully yours,  
37, St. John's, Worcester. W. PAGE.

**THE TREBLE BOB EXTENT.****MR. E. TIMBRELL'S PEAL.**

In our issue of July 7th, Mr. J. W. Parker pointed out that in 1907 Mr. E. Timbrell extended his peal of 16,800 Treble Bob Major by ten leads, and a correspondent sends us the figures of this peal, which remained the longest composition in the method until Mr. Parker obtained his 17,280. The following is Mr. Timbrell's peal:

**17,120 TREBLE BOB MAJOR.**

234567	M	in	out	4ths	5ths	W	H
372546			1		1		
376452	1			1			
427365	1	1	1		1		
735462			out and 4ths twice				2
674352	2					1	2
732456	2	1	1				1
347652		1					
437256	1		1		2		
235647		1	1			1	2
365247	1		1				
623457			1				

Four Times Repeated.

**5,059 ERIN CATERS.**

By JOSEPH W. PARKER.

123456789

532416978	1	4	5					
423516			5	6				
162345		4	5		7			
354216			4	6	7			
245516				5	6			

Repeat these five courses eight times, omitting the bob at 1, and adding a S at 4 in the last course of the fourth repetition produces:—

415236

261345		4	5		6	7								
634521879	1	2	3	5	6	7	8	12	13	14	(15	sixes).		
523461			4	5		6								

413562					6	7								
531462				5	6									
623154			4	5		7								
145362			4			6	7							
354162				5	6									

Repeat the last five courses eight times, calling a S for the first bob at 4 in the fourth repetition, and omitting the bob at 5 immediately following, produces:—

214365

Round next change.

Has the 6th thirty-six courses home in the Tittums, and thirty-seven in the reverse home position.

**SANDAL TREBLE BOB.**

An interesting 720 of Sandal Treble Bob Minor was rung by members of the Chester Guild on July 13th, when they brought round the extent of the method obtained by bobs both when the treble is leading and in 6th's place. The figures of the bob work with the treble behind is here given. The 720, the first so rung, was brought round by: J. Fernley, junr., 1, W. Fernley 2, Rev. A. T. Beeston (conductor) 3, H. Langley 4, J. P. Fowler 5, J. W. Hartley 6.

236154  
263514  
B 625341  
623514  
265341  
625431  
264513  
625451

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE**  
**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD**

**LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The opening of the lightest peal of twelve tower bells in the country took place on August 4th, 1819. This was the ring erected by Mr. John P. Powell, at Quex Park, Thanet. The bells were cast at the Whitechapel Foundry, and have a tenor of 15½ cwt.

A contemporary writer, recording the event, said: 'The interest of the scene was considerably enhanced by its having no parallel, that of a gentleman erecting in his park a tower with spire in front of his noble mansion and placing therein a peal of twelve bells solely for his amusement and to attain the art of change ringing, having an eminent tutor for the purpose, who, in patronising this manly art, has evinced a considerable ability in this very abstruse science.'

The opening was carried out by bands representing the Cumberland and College Youths. The former rang a peal of 5,213 Grandsire Cinques, in which George Gross and William Shipway took part, but the College Youths did not attempt a peal. They contributed alternately to give touches of about an hour's performance, on that and the following day, which closed the never-to-be-forgotten treat to the amateurs of the manly art of ringing.

The first peal of Grandsire Royal was rung at Painswick on August 6th, 1815. A peal rung at Aston in the previous year had turned out to be false.

Another anniversary next week is that of the first 'silent' peal of Stedman Triples. It was rung on August 7th, 1899, at Drayton.

The long peal at Appleton has been permanently recorded in the tower, the record being engraved on a slate tablet. This work has been carried out by Mr. O. G. Jones, of Rugby.

Two Lancashire rings are in the hands of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, who are rehangings the eight at Colne, Lancs, and adding two trebles and rehangings the old six at Bacup.

Rutlip, Middlesex, bells are also being rehung by the Whitechapel firm, and the 4th, 5th and tenor are to be recast.

The peal at Hartlebury recorded last week was Mr. W. Short's 250th as conductor, not 350th as sent in in the report.

The bells at Shoreham, Kent, have been overhauled by Messrs. Groombridge and Palmer, who have strengthened the frame, rehung the bells, and greatly improved the clappering and rope circle. They have made an excellent job of the restoration.

The Bailey brothers, of Leicester, have just made another record by ringing a family peal of Cambridge Surprise on tower bells. Further interest is added to the peal from the fact that it was Mr. G. F. Bailey's 300th, and a remarkable list he has, too. Out of the total he has conducted no fewer than 275, including every Surprise peal and every peal of Stedman from Triples to Cinques.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The by-meeting of the Canterbury district was held at Ospringe on Saturday, July 29th, and was attended by about 25 ringers, representing the towers of Ashford, Brabourne, Newington, Ospringe, Sittingbourne, and Tunstall. Touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob Major were rung. A short service was held, when the Vicar (the Rev. C. F. Hodges) welcomed the members in a very helpful address. Those present were afterwards entertained to an excellent tea, provided by an anonymous lady, on the Vicarage lawn.—In replying, the Vicar said that he hoped shortly to become a bell ringer himself.

## LEWISHAM DISTRICT MEETING.

The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham district was held at Shoreham, on Saturday, July 22nd. Touches in various methods were rung during the afternoon. The members then adjourned to 'Ye Olde George Inn,' where Host Humphrey had prepared tea, to which 33 sat down. The business meeting followed, Mr. W. J. Jeffries presiding.

The District Secretary informed the members of the reason why the meeting had been transferred from Eynsford. He received a letter from the Vicar on Thursday afternoon to say an ex-soldier had died close to the church, and the funeral was at 3 p.m. on Saturday, so he thought the bells should not be rung. Mr. T. Groombridge, junr., saw the Rev. H. R. D. Madge, who readily consented to the members having the use of his bells, but owing to an engagement he could not arrange a service.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. T. Groombridge, junr., for his services.—Three new members were elected, and two elections in towers confirmed. Dartford, Bromley, Woolwich and Erith were proposed as the place for the annual district meeting, Woolwich being selected.

The district representative was asked to bring forward at the next committee meeting the suggestion that the pre-war arrangement of reports be again carried out.

The district secretary was instructed to write to the Rev. H. D. Madge, and convey their most hearty thanks for granting the use of the bells.—This concluded the business, and the tower was again visited.

**A DEVONSHIRE RING.****NEW PEAL OF EIGHT AT COMBE MARTIN.**

The dedication of the new peal of bells at the Parish Church of Combe Martin, Devon, took place on Wednesday afternoon, July 26th, and was followed by a fete and bazaar in the Rectory Grounds. Unfortunately rain militated against the success of the fete, which had to be abandoned about 4.30 p.m.

Originally the bells were four in number. In the year 1827 they were recast into six at Buckland-Brewer by John Taylor, of Oxford. Now they have been again recast into eight by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and hung in a cast-iron frame on massive steel girders. The bells turn on ball bearings, and the clappers are fitted with buffers. Great credit is due to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank for the prompt way in which they have executed the work, the old bells having been removed from the tower only in the first week in April last.

The dedication ceremony was performed by the Rev. Maitland Kelly, president of the Devon Guild. The opening peal was rung by the senior ringers of Combe Martin. A young band are at present learning change ringing on handbells under the instruction of Mr. A. H. Hayward. Their ambition now is to score a peal of Doubles on the tower bells by next spring. There were ringers present at the opening from London, Swindon, Minehead, Bampton, Ilfracombe (Parish Church and SS. Philip's and St. James' Church), West Down, Berry-Narber, Arlington, Goodleigh, George Nympton, Barnstaple, etc.

After the opening peal, a well-struck 350 Grandsire Triples was rung: J. H. Shepherd (Swindon) 1. A. W. Brighton (London) 2. G. Stacey (Minehead) 3. A. A. Hughes (of the Whitechapel Foundry) 4. F. Reed (Ilfracombe) 5. Rev. E. V. Cox (Bampton) 6. A. H. Hayward (Combe Martin), conductor, 7. J. Richards (Ilfracombe) 8.

Following this, touches were rung of Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob Major by the same band, together with the Ilfracombe Parish Church ringers, and when the time came for these to disperse the bells were kept going by ringers from neighbouring towers until 9.30 p.m.

The bells are a grand ring for their weight, the tenor being 10 cwt. 21 lb. in F sharp. Everyone who heard them expressed the greatest admiration for the tone of the bells, and all who handled the ropes greatly praised the 'go.'

**BRADFIELD BELLS REOPENED.**

The ancient Parish Church of Bradfield was filled to overflowing on Monday, July 24th, on the occasion of the reopening of the bells. These have been renovated on modern lines, and a new steel frame installed by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The service was performed by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield, assisted by the Rev. B. Pollard, M.A., Rector, and the Rev. B. F. Sheppard, M.A., of Sheffield Cathedral. The service was followed by tea in the Schoolroom, at which about 300 were present.

Ringers on the tower and handbells was fully indulged in by members from All Saints', Rammoor; St. Maries, Bolsterstone, Rotherham, Ecclesfield, Stannington, the Cathedral, and the local company, and was highly appreciated.

**LADIES' GUILD.**

A quarterly meeting of the Southern District was held at Horsell, Surrey, on Saturday, July 29th. Ringers, 18 in number, were present from Aldershot, Bagshot, Cranleigh, Farnborough, Finchampstead, Guildford, Horsell, Sandhurst, Seale, Shere, Walton, and Worplesdon. Ringing in various methods took place during the afternoon, and tea was served in the Institute.—The Vicar (the Rev. Norman Pares) apologised for being unable to hold the service at 4.30, owing to an important meeting, but the ringers attended evensong at 6 o'clock.—It was decided (if possible) to hold the next quarterly meeting at S. Nicolas', Guildford, on January 13th, 1923.

**MIDLAND DISTRICT.**

The Midland district held a quarterly meeting on Saturday, July 22nd, at Chilvers Coton, the birthplace of George Eliot, to whose memory the treble bell is dedicated. The visitors were met by Miss Clarke, Mr. Argyle and his son, and others, including the old curfew ringer, who had been wheeled to the church purposely to see the lady ringers. The bells were kept going merrily during the afternoon, and service was held, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. M. A. Dodds). Afterwards the visitors proceeded to Nuneaton where tea, kindly arranged by Mr. Wilkerson, was waiting. Quite a large party sat down, and the business meeting subsequently took place, Miss Pigott being elected to the chair. Miss Gladys Dodds was elected a ringing member, and Mrs. Harry Mason an honorary member. Kinver was chosen for the next meeting, which will be the annual.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Vicar and all the local ringers for their kindness and help.

**DEDICATION OF BELLS AT SALFORD.****LANCASHIRE'S NEW PEAL OF EIGHT.**

'Ye Ancient Parish Church of the Sacred Trinity, in ye Royal Borough of Salford,' was the scene of a very interesting ceremony on Sunday, July 23rd, when the dedication took place of a peal of eight bells, which are to all intents and purposes practically a new ring, inasmuch as five of the old peal of six have been recast, and two new trebles added to complete the octave.

There was a short service in the afternoon, conducted by the Lord Bishop of Manchester, who performed the dedication ceremony. Then the ringers of St. Thomas' Church, Pendleton, took the ropes, and set the bells going to the tune of Grandsire Triples, ringing being carried on until 5 p.m., and again after evensong until 9 p.m. The methods rung during the afternoon and evening were Grandsire, Plain Bob, Stedman, Treble Bob and Superlative Surprise Major, touches being brought round in all the methods, under the able leadership of Messrs. J. W. Washbrook and H. Chapman, Mr. Johnston, of the Croydon foundry, and Mr. Keller, of the old band of six bell ringers, taking part in the ringing. Ringers were present from several of the Manchester churches, also from Ashton-under-Lyne, Bolton, Eccles and Walkden.

The old peal of six bells had, owing to their bad condition, been in disuse for a period of twelve years. Now it is pleasing to note that Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of the Croydon Bell Foundry, have brought about a great change by the recasting, and the addition of the two new trebles, tuned to a very musical pitch. The 'go' of the bells is splendid, they having been rebung in a new frame with modern fittings. A climbing apparatus has also been installed. The general expression of all the ringers present was that the bell hangers had carried out their work in a very able and efficient manner.

The music of the bells was very much appreciated by some hundreds of the parishioners, who listened round and about the church for several hours.

There now lies with Mr. Keller a herculean task in training up an entirely new band. He has some 14 or 15 young men volunteers, and any ringers from the neighbouring churches who can give a helping hand will be welcome at the tower any Tuesday evening at 8 p.m.

The following items may interest not only campanologists, but the outside public, especially churchmen. The late Rector (the Rev. J. W. Rideout), whose heart and soul was in the above work which has just been carried through, unfortunately did not live to see it completed, he having died rather suddenly in Leeds, much to the regret of his parishioners.

Humphrey Booth, who founded Booth Charities in 1630, built the sacred Trinity Church in 1634. The church was consecrated by the Bishop of Chester on May 20th, 1635, and Humphrey Booth died July 23rd, 1635. The peal of six bells was installed 1748, the body of the church was rebuilt in Doric architecture in 1752, and the organ by Schultz, London, in 1790. The church was reopened, and a new organ and electric light installed in 1896.

The Booth's charity consists of a small plot of land purchased in the year 1630, and in the year 1640 brought in a rent roll of £20 per annum. To-day the rent roll of the land exceeds £17,000 per annum which is disbursed among the poor of the borough and the hospitals. The only monument of Humphrey Booth is the Gothic tower of the church. At the foot of his tombstone we read: 'Love his memory, imitate his devotion.' W.B.

**DEATH OF MR. BEN CHORLEY.****A PIONEER OF CHANGE RINGING AT GUILDFORD.**

Members of the Exercise who knew Mr. Ben Chorley of Guildford, will regret to hear of his death, on Wednesday, July 26th, after many months' suffering from a painful malady. Deceased joined the Holy Trinity Society, about 1895, when the company could only ring call changes, and it was through his efforts that Mr. C. Willshire was in 1899 appointed instructor, and change ringing was introduced. The writer does not know Mr. Chorley's record of peals, but he had rung peals in a number of methods up to and including Superlative Surprise inside, and he rang the treble to the society's first Surprise peals, London, Bristol, Cambridge and Guildford. As a striker he was second to none.

It was fitting, after his years of service that he should receive the ringers' last tribute at his funeral. Prior to the service in Holy Trinity Church on Saturday last, the bells were fully muffled, and the whole pull and stand was rung. At the graveside a course of Triples was rung on handbells, and in the evening a fine peal of Stedman Triples (the deceased's favourite method) was brought round at Holy Trinity Church on half-muffled bells.

**SOLUTION OF A PUZZLE.**

Mr. Richard Mackman, of Spalding, writes: 'In reply to A. E. Parsons, the puzzle he refers to is a peal called "Dixon's Variations." As I remember ringing it several years ago, it is Plain Bob ringing. Mr. Parsons does not give the calling correctly, as there is not a bob every time (treble leads).'

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THAT APPLETON PEAL.

By W. WILLSON.

It was no fault of mine that the doctor forbade me to get up. Returning strength brought back the old desire, and when I read the correspondence in 'The Ringing World,' it dawned upon me that my opponents were belabouring Mr. W. Pye with thick sticks, and showering upon him blows that should have been aimed at me—the miscreant who initiated the trouble. However, I am back in the arena, and ready to joust. My battle-axe, thanks.

It is sometimes instructive to turn to what one has said or written and see if any wrong statement has been hastily made, and if so, to make the 'amende honorable.' There is nothing derogatory in that. I have read the correspondence over again, and I find nothing to withdraw. Let me deal first with the letters of 'Loudon Ringer.' That gentleman stated that I rushed in, being ignorant of the facts.

In your issue of June 16th, pp. 379, he says: 'The 9th is in the original bearings of 119 years ago, and had W.W. known that Mr. F. White slogged away for six hours with dry bearings, his opinions would differ.'

They wouldn't.

I don't think any ringer in the world could ring for six hours on dry bearings. They would be irretrievably ruined before six hours had expired, and the ringer ditto. Now about those 119-year-old bearings. I find in the late Rev. F. E. Robinson's book the details of Appleton bells. The 7th is dated 1818, the 3rd 1859. Up to 1901 there were only eight; when the 9th and tenor were cast and added to make ten by Mears and Co., a firm scarcely likely to use ancient scrap iron for new bell bearings. Verb. sap.

The letter of 'Once a Beginner' is most interesting, and there is only one point to which I take exception. It is that 'W.W. is wrong in saying that the Appleton peal could be beaten at Loughboro' Bell Foundry.'

I think that I fully qualified the sentence. If it is to be assumed that Appleton has beaten Loughborough, what follows? Appleton tenor is 14 cwt. Loughborough is 30½ cwt.—more than twice the weight. Loughborough Foundry ring has a tenor of 6½ cwt. If 'Once a Beginner' will glance at the ratio I think he will admit that I was not very far wrong in my assertion. In discussions such as these one is apt to be misquoted.

I notice in the Editorial of July 28th, this sentence: 'The only thing that will really put an end to the question is a longer peal than 2,363 rung on bells as heavy, or heavier, than Loughborough.' This is totally misleading. If a peal longer than the Appleton one is rung on a weight as heavy as Appleton it must supplant the previous performance.

I notice the usual crop of letters from those ringers who deplore the style of some of your correspondents' literary efforts. I must confess that in my opinion some of these 'protest' letters are nothing but cant. I don't know whether they include mine in their strictures—and I don't care—but this I know, these highbrow purists ought to try their own efforts in Fleet Street, when they would discover that the twentieth century requires something more robust than the standard of the parish magazine.

I agree that no writer should be personal—if it can be avoided. There are many spheres where it is unavoidable, and the Editor of a journal can generally be relied on to wield the blue baton fairly, but for the acme of personality, commend me to the letter signed 'Howard Freeborn.' It should be borne in mind by these critics that the greatest geni the world has ever seen have not been men of University education. A man may not be able to speak or write the King's English correctly, he may call a lie by its proper name, and be honest about it. The polite letter-writer, like the Rt. Hon. Mr. Winston Churchill, would call it a 'terminological inexactitude!'

The letter of Mr. G. A. Peck betrays a want of knowledge of long peal ringing. As a rule no conductor of a long length would start with a novice in the band. I have seen and experienced myself the first faintness that comes after the first five or six hours. It comes again sometimes about the ninth or tenth hour. That is the critical time. One ringer in the Wigston peal was beaten after ten hours. Mental fatigue follows as a natural course, but I submit that on a heavy ring a man's reserve strength is used up far sooner than on a light one, and though I may be prejudiced, I fail to see how anyone can come to any other conclusion.

It was not on weight alone that I 'groused' at the Appleton peal. The ringer who sent the account to 'The Ringing World,' Mr. Edgar Humphrey, who heard only the last two hours, hits the nail on the head when he says: 'First, I think it was unfortunate that, probably owing to short notice, so few ringers were present from a distance, only about a dozen besides twice as many locals being in the village. Moreover, I think it was a pity that some competent ringer was not engaged and provided with the peal figures . . . and so furnished the Exercise with a reliable witness of this great performance.'

There you have it. Would any branch of sport admit a record unattested? If so, tell me. It is not that you suspect the performer. I do not suspect this peal, but both the College Youths and the Ox-

ford Guild know that peals have been faked in the past, and may be again.

It should not be within the conductor's power to cut out or introduce blocks foreign to the composition, and the temptation would not occur if someone else held the figures. The Central Council is about to tabulate all records, rung outside its official knowledge, and on the bare word of the performers who claim the record. I hold, that unless the Council compels record lengths to be rung under its government, it leaves the gate open for any chicanery, and will ultimately render all such records worthless.

Our reply to Mr. Willson's comment upon our article is that, 'if a peal longer than the Appleton one is rung on a weight as heavy as Appleton it must supplant the previous performance,' then the Appleton peal supplants Loughborough, with which view neither he nor we agree, so far as the physical achievement is concerned. The conditions which Mr. Willson names would supplant the Appleton peal, but they might still leave open the question whether the Loughborough performance had been beaten.—Ed. 'R.W.'

## ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING.

The first annual meeting of this association was held in the Abbey House, Bury St. Edmunds on Saturday, July 15th. A large number of ringers were present from Bury, Horingey, Foxearth, Lavenham, Ixworth, Long Melford, Cheyington, Bungay, Mildenhall, Cambridge, Ufford, Chelworth, Illey, Newmarket, Forham All Saints, etc.

A short service, which all attended, was held in the Cathedral. The Right Rev. Patron, the Bishop, being unavoidably detained by another engagement, an address was given by the President. He spoke of the message of the bells as being one for everyone. Even in a foreign land, where the language was strange, one felt how universal was their appeal.

Afterwards, through the kindness of the President (Archdeacon Farmiloe), tea was provided at his house, and the meeting followed.

It was agreed to re-elect all the officers and committee, and the committee was authorised to draw up the annual report.

It was also agreed, on the proposition of Mr. S. H. Symonds, that a letter of condolence be sent to the widow and family of the late Mr. F. Day, of Eye.

Thanks were also voted to the chairman for the tea, and to the clergy who had allowed the use of their bells.

## THE GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL REPORT.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Having read Mr. Burford's and the Rev. H. Law James' letters we are informed that the composition of Cambridge Surprise Royal, published in our report (1921 issue) belongs, undoubtedly, to Mr. William Pye. May we ask your assistance in requesting holders of reports issued 1914, 1921, 1922 and 1913, to revise their copies so that peals No. 907, 915, 1065, 1084 and 1136, are credited as being composed by Mr. William Pye, the composition being numbered 907, but set out as 1065. I am sorry that Mr. Burford's name is lost to the composition, because we know him to be the last person to claim credit for what he has not done, and we are quite sure in this instance that it is a case of two composers travelling the same path.

In our 1922 report the composition of Stedman Triples, No. 1154, stated to be composed by the Rev. E. B. James, was composed by Mr. John Carter in 1905. The Rev. E. B. James has given up the claim of this, and so it should read as being composed by Mr. John Carter. We appreciate very much the Rev. E. Bunke, James' action in pointing this out to us so early on.

In conclusion, I should like to point out to all members of this association the enormous task involved each year in issuing our annual report, and that if there is any item incorrect it is the duty of the member to notify me at once, not wait until another report is issued and then talk about it. If members will only point out these errors we shall give them attention.—Yours faithfully,

EDGAR GUISE,

Hon. Sec., Gloucester and Bristol Association.

## FALSE PEALS IN C.C. COLLECTION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In addition to the peals that are false and kindly pointed out by Mr. G. H. Cross in your issue of July 7th, the following should also be struck out as false:—

Double Norwich, Sec. 3 Group II.  
No. 54, 5,088 by H. Johnson, 1867 (Snowdon's Treatise), is false at course ends.

No. 158, 5,088 by Dr. A. B. Carpenter is false; but the same peal given under No. 162 by James Hunt, with 8 at 1 instead of 6, is true. Nos. 159 and 161 which are given over the names of E. Wichtman and F. Hoppoel respectively, are the same composition call for call, but started in a different place. Who is the rightful owner?

24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

ERNEST MORRIS.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**OTTERY ST. MARY, DEVON.**—On Sunday evening, July 30th, at St. Mary's Church, for service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 50 mins.: B. Marks 1, K. Godfrey 2, J. Hine 3, F. Stuckey 4, L. Wilson 5, G. Burrow 6, J. Godfrey (conductor) 7, P. Godfrey 8.

**BEBSTON, NOTTS.**—For morning service, on Sunday, July 30th, 576 London Surprise Major: W. Chifford, junr., 1, A. Coppock (conductor) 2, W. A. Jones 3, A. B. Moss 4, J. C. Dicken 5, F. S. Price 6, A. Lowe 7, P. Price 8.

**KENSINGTON.**—On Sunday evening, July 30th, at St. Mary Abbot's Church, 1,280 Stedman Caters: E. G. Turley (first quarter-peal Stedman Caters) 1, H. G. Miles (conductor) 2, H. Dyas 3, C. F. Winney 4, P. L. Miles 5, O. W. Roberts 6, P. A. Clark 7, W. E. Garrard 8, H. Langdon 9, W. T. Froggatt (Birmingham, 1st quarter-peal) 10.

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.**—On Sunday, July 30th, in 50 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes): W. Leeson 1, C. Bragg 2, E. C. Shepherd (composer and conductor) 3, G. A. Martineau 4, S. Bragg 5, H. Shepherd 6, H. Bragg 7, R. Bragg 8, J. Bragg 9, V. W. Rigg (first quarter-peal of Caters) 10. Rung to celebrate the 21st birthday of H. Bragg.

**BOVINGER, ESSEX.**—On Sunday July 23rd, at the Parish Church, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: B. Bails 1, A. Mansfield 2, \*J. Mansfield 3, W. Wedlock 4, \*B. G. Burton (conductor) 5, F. Seymore 6. A few short touches were rung after service, the local ringers taking part. \* Hail from Nazeing, the rest from Epping Uplands.

**BUCKNALL.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, at St. Mary's Church, three 720's were rung, viz., Kent Treble Bob, Burslem Delight and Plain Bob, the following ringers taking part: Alice Wheeldon, Alice Preston, C. Preston, W. Wheeldon, seur., W. Wheeldon, junr., W. Fradley and O. Bowen. All conducted by Alice Preston.

**THORNE, YORKS.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, July 23rd, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: O. Darley 1, A. Woods 2, O. H. Thorley (conductor) 3, W. Sleight 4, A. Darley 5, C. Thorley, junr., 6, W. Hobson 7 (covering).

**ACTON.**—At St. Mary's Parish Church, on Sunday morning, July 23rd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: M. England 1, S. D. Breeze 2, C. Brown 3, H. Wineote 4, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 5, William Hoad (Salehurst) 6, Robt. Pardon 7, E. Easton 8. Arranged for Mr. Hoad, who was visiting London, and it also coincided with Mr. England's birthday.

**CHESTER.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, in 40 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), taken from Parker's 12-Part: H. Lewis 1, R. Sperring 2, J. W. Davies 3, F. Fox 4, A. Newell 5, S. Jones, junr. (conductor) 6, G. R. Jones 7, A. Harrison 8. Longest length as conductor.

**STOURBRIDGE.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, at St. Thomas' Church, for evening service, 672 Grandsire Triples: B. Dunn 1, Geo. H. Pagett 2, A. J. Skelding 3, G. Skelding 4, A. E. Whatmore (conductor) 5, C. W. Cooper 6, A. W. Dodd 7, Geo. Grazier 8.—Also 360 Bob Minor, with 6-8 covering. Rung as a birthday compliment to O. W. Cooper.

**DALTON-IN-FURNES.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, July 23rd, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: A. Brown 1, G. Jackson 2, Frank Wiley 3, T. Watson (conductor) 4, W. H. Dennison 5, T. Metcalfe 6, J. Burrows (cover) 7. F. Wiley belongs to Sheffield, Yorks, and was on a visit to the district.

**EXETER, DEVON.**—At St. Sidwell's Church, on Sunday, July 23rd, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: B. Shepherd (conductor) 1, W. Howe 2, A. Monkley 3, C. Carter 4, T. Bartlett 5, W. Drake 6, J. Moss 7, E. Sargent 8, F. Murphy 9, W. Richardson 10.

**TUNBRIDGE WELLS.**—On Sunday, July 16th, at St. Peter's Church, for evening service, 1,280 Double Norwich Major, in 48 mins.: Miss D. Orlebar 1, F. White 2, H. Markwell 3, W. Collison 4, G. Thompson 5, W. Latter 6, P. J. Lambert, senr., 7, S. H. Green (composer and conductor) 8. First quarter-peal in the method by Miss Orlebar and F. J. Lambert.

**HAYES, KENT.**—On Sunday, July 16th, for morning service, 720 College Single Minor: J. Grandfield 1, H. Reader (conductor) 2, F. Keech 3, G. Harwood 4, H. Brown 5, J. Brown 6.—For evening service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob Minor: H. Reader 1, F. Keech 2, J. Hack (conductor) 3, O. Gilbey 4, H. Brown 5, J. Brown 6.

**LONDON.**—At St. Olive's, Hart Street, City, 720 York Surprise: W. Theobald 1, G. Dawson 2, A. Prior 3, E. Smith 4, W. Miller (conductor) 5, J. Moule 6.—720 Ipswich Surprise: E. Smith 1, W. Theobald 2, A. Prior 3, G. Dawson 4, W. Miller (conductor) 5, J. Moule 6. All are members of the Leytonstone company. Rung on St. Olive's Day, by special request from the Vicar.

**LIVERPOOL.**—At the Church of St. Nicholas, on a recent Sunday, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,299 changes): W. Fisher 1, J. Wilkinson 2, T. Hammond 3, T. W. Gilmour 4, T. G. Bartlett (Exeter) 5, W. Davies 6, J. Martin (conductor) 7, H. Ludkin 8, E. Caunce 9, C. Davies 10.

## CUMBERLAND COMPETITION WINNERS.

## EGREMONT BAND CELEBRATE THEIR SUCCESS.

An interesting event took place in the Masonic Hall, Egremont, on Friday week. The ringers of St. Mary's Church, Egremont, had been successful in winning the association's competition shield on Easter Monday last, and to celebrate that occasion a social evening was arranged. A company of about 50, including the ringers' wives and sweethearts, together with the churchwardens, assembled. The first item was to present the medals to the ringers. The Rector took the chair, and in an interesting speech, gave the history of the bells. He then called upon Mr. J. D. Baxter to present the medals to the ringers. In a humorous speech, Mr. Baxter congratulated the ringers on their success. He had had some experience in these competitions, he said, and years ago his hand won on five occasions. He was proud to say that the present conductor was an old pupil of his who had left him far behind in the art. He was sorry that his business prevented him from taking an active part with the ringers at the end of a rope, but he was still interested in the art, and was watching closely the progress they were making. He concluded by urging them not to be content until they had mastered the more intricate methods.

An excellent supper was served by Mrs. J. B. Douglas and her willing staff.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the Rector, Mr. Baxter, and all who helped to make the evening a success. The rest of the evening was spent in dancing, cards, etc., and a very happy time was spent.

## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

## A WEEK-END IN THREE COUNTIES.

Saturday, July 22nd, dawned wet and chilly, but later on 'the Clerk of the Weather' altered the conditions, and things looked brighter, and, as had been previously arranged, eight of us found ourselves outside the tower of St. Peter's Church, Glasbury-on-Wye, Breconshire, together with several 'locals' and others from the adjoining parish of Talgarth. Among the latter was Mr. L. S. Griffiths, whose name a few years ago was frequently in the pages of 'The Ringing World.' After words of welcome, a chosen few ascended the belfry steps to attempt a peal of Grandsire Triples in honour of the wedding of Miss Ursula M. E. Devereux (younger daughter of the Hon. R. C. Devereux, of Trogyod House, Glasbury, and 26, Bruton Street, Mayfair) with Captain F. A. V. Copland Griffiths, M.C., of the Welsh Guards, which took place at the Wellington Barracks on Monday, July 17th. The bells are far from being the best in the county, and could not be got into a good swing, and after 1 hour and 7 minutes' ringing a change course occurred, and brought the attempt to an end. The band was: J. P. Hyett 1, J. W. Jones 2, A. Mathews 3, E. Mathews 4, W. Evans 5, O. Powell 6, C. Edwards (conductor) 7, J. Jones 8. Tea was provided at the Harp, after which a social hour was spent with the handbells, and when parting time came it recalled the remark I heard one of the stalwarts make, that 'after all, peal ringing is not everything.'

On Sunday morning some of us were early astir, as Glyro, with its peal of five, had to be reached by 10 o'clock, and at least one of the party had over three miles to do, the walker's bus being the only conveyance. With the rain coming down straight, I for one did not envy him his undertaking. However, shortly after 10 a.m. the bells were raised in peal, and Bob Singles and Doubles rung until service time, when they were again lowered, and this Radnorshire village left behind. Passing through the town of Hay, Breconshire, the party visited St. Mary's, Cusop, in the county of Herefordshire. There was no chance of a touch here, there being only two bells hung in a turret, and the object in view was to visit the scenes of the recent Armstrong tragedy. After dinner Clifford was the venue, and here a peal was attempted as a thankoffering to Mr. L. Blakstad, of the Priory, Clifford, for his generosity in providing a magnificent reredos for St. Mary's Church as a parish war memorial. The peal was successful, and the bells coming round at 6.18 were lowered in peal for service. The ringers then adjourned to the Priory for tea, having been previously invited by the kindness of Mrs. Blakstad. Mr. J. W. Jones, of Newport, on behalf of the ringers, expressed thanks to Mrs. Blakstad for her kindness, and to Mr. Blakstad for the beautiful reredos he had placed in the church.

## TUNBRIDGE WELLS RINGERS' TRIP.

The annual outing of the ringers of St. Peter's Church, Tunbridge Wells, took place on Saturday, July 15th. Touring in a well-appointed motor-car, Goudhurst and Frittenden were visited in turn, and ringing on the bells at each place was indulged in. At Staplehurst a substantial tea was awaiting the party.—Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar and Churchwardens of St. Peter's Church for supplying funds for the outing, to Mr. W. Latter for organising the trip, to the incumbents of the various churches for giving permission for the use of the bells, to the steeplekeepers for having the bells in readiness, and to Mr. F. E. Pope for arranging for tea. The tower was then visited, and the beautiful peal of bells, which have been recently overhauled, were set going in various methods. Later the

ringers set out for Marden, which was reached about 8 o'clock, and touches on this nice peal completed the ringing. Home was reached about 10 p.m., after an enjoyable trip.

### MR. WILLIAM H. HEWETT'S 200 PEALS.

Cambridge Surprise Maximus	6
Cambridge Surprise Royal	5
Cambridge Surprise Major	27
London Surprise Major	5
Superlative Surprise Major	35
Bristol Surprise Major	3
Brighton Surprise Major	1
Norfolk Surprise Major	4
New Cumberland Surprise Major	5
New Cambridge Surprise Major	1
Double Norwich Court Bob Royal	1
Double Norwich Court Bob Major	44
Double Oxford Bob Major	1
Waterloo Reverse Bob Major	1
Duffield Royal	1
Duffield Major	1
Forward Royal	2
Forward Major	1
Kent Treble Bob Maximus	3
Kent Treble Bob Royal	2
Kent Treble Bob Major	4
Oxford Treble Bob Major	1
Bob Maximus	1
Bob Major	2
Stedman Cinques	3
Stedman Caters	19
Stedman Triples	12
Grandsire Caters	2
Grandsire Triples	3
On Handbells:	
Bob Maximus	1
Bob Royal	1
Bob Major	2
Stedman Caters	2

200

### MR. A. DAVIES' 150 PEALS.

The 150 peals rung by Mr. A. Davies, of Netherton, Worcester-shire, include two records, viz., the 9,728 Superlative and 10,178 Double Oxford. The peals were rung in 43 towers, and the list is as follows:—

	Rung.	Conducted.
London Surprise Major	27	2
Bristol Surprise Major	11	1
Cambridge Surprise Major	7	2
Cambridge Surprise Royal	1	—
Superlative Surprise Major	8	—
Norfolk Surprise Major	1	—
Double Norwich Major	14	1
Double Oxford Major	1	—
Kent Treble Bob Royal	1	—
Kent Treble Bob Major	10	4
Forward Royal	1	—
Bob Royal	3	1
Bob Major	8	2
Bob Triples	1	1
Canterbury Pleasure Major	1	—
Stedman Cinques	4	—
Stedman Caters	3	—
Stedman Triples	21	5
Erin Triples	1	1
Grandsire Caters	5	1
Grandsire Triples	6	2
Grandsire Doubles	1	—
10 Minor Methods	1	—
7 Minor Methods	10	—
5 Minor Methods	3	—
Totals	150	23

### LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the Grimsby district, held at Waltham, was fairly well attended by members from the various towers connected with the district. At the service, the Rector (the Rev. W. Horn) gave an address. Tea and a business meeting followed, presided over by the Vice-President (the Rev. H. T. Parry), supported by the Rector, and the Rev. Dr. Cockin, Vicar of Thornton Curtis. The bells (six) were made good use of, various touches being rung.

On July 15th a meeting was held at Ulceby, the five bells were rung in various methods, and a service was held. Tea and meeting took place in the Schoolroom, and was most enjoyable.

### NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

### SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—A meeting will be held at Tring on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. A short service will be held in the Parish Church. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers and friends welcome.—F. J. Reeve, Hon. Dis. Sec., Clifton House, Tring.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch. —A Ringing meeting will be held at Halsall (near Ormskirk), on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (6) available all day. Will ringers please turn up in good numbers? Visitors welcome.—John Halsall, Branch Sec.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBY-SHIRE SOCIETY.—Next meeting at Wentworth, August 5th. Six bells. Meat tea at 5.30 p.m., 2/- each; please send notice to Mr. Wadsworth, Rockingham Arms, Wentworth, Rotherham, by August 3rd. Permission granted to walk through gardens at Wentworth House. Bells lately put in order.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec., Clergy House, Chesterfield.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ledbury District.—A meeting will be held at Eastnor, near Ledbury, on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Church service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting at the Somers Arms after service.—Richard Thomas, Dist. Hon. Sec.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leominster and Presteign District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Staunton-on-Arrow, on Saturday, August 5th. Bells (6) available 3.30. Service 5 p.m. Tea 6 p.m.—A. Talbot, District Sec., Staunton-on-Arrow, Tenbridge.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch. —The next meeting will be held on Saturday, August 5th, at the Parish Church, Bury. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting after tea. Will members who have not already paid their subscriptions kindly come forward with the same? —John H. Haydock, Branch Sec.

SALTBURN.—Jubilee of dedication of Parish Church. Special services August 6th. Ringing from 9.30 a.m. and 5 p.m. The tower will also be open for ringing from 2 p.m. on August 5th. All ringers welcome. Tea (1/6) arranged for all who give notice beforehand.—G. A. Peck, Eden Corner, Saltburn.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A General meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch of the Association will be held at East Dereham, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. The ring of eight bells of the Parish Church will be available. Luncheon will be served at the King's Head

Hotel, at 1 o'clock, tickets 3s. per head, followed by the general business meeting.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—There will be a General Meeting of the Branch at Boyne Hill, Maidenhead, on Monday, August 7th (Bank Holiday), when all will be welcomed by the Vicar to celebrate the restoration of the bells. There will be a Service at the Parish Church, All Saints', at 4.30 p.m. Tea will be served on the vicarage lawn at 5.15 (weather permitting). A charge of 1s. each will be made to cover part of the cost of same. A business meeting will follow at 6 o'clock. My Committee rely upon foremen of Towers notifying all members and ringing friends in their respective districts of this fixture and placing the notice in the belfry. The following towers have been kindly placed at the disposal of the Guild by the clergy: Burnham, 10 to 11 a.m.; High Wycombe, 10 to 11 a.m.; Old Windsor, 12 to 1 p.m.; Woodburn, 12 to 1 p.m.; Boyne Hill, 3 p.m.—Alfred J. Harman, Hon. Sec., 2, St. Mary's Cottages, Grove Road, Windsor.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual Festival will be held at Lymm, on Monday, August 7th. Service 11 a.m., preacher, the Rev. W. R. Ingham, M.A., Vicar of Middlewich. Other particulars by circular.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills, Stockport.

**PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the above will be held at Peterborough, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. The bells of St. John's (8), St. Mary's (6), Woodton (6) available during the day. Service at the Parish Church at 4 o'clock. Tea and meeting afterwards. All ringers welcome.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Sutton-on-Trent, Crowe Park Station, G.N. Railway, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. A new peal of six bells (tenor 12½ cwt.) will be available for ringing from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The village sports and gala will be held in the Football Field at 2.30 p.m.; the proceeds of 'gate' will be in aid of the restoration of the church bells. Twenty events including ringers' tug of war, and fishing in the Trent. Admission to grounds 1/- adults, 6d. children. Teas provided on the Sports Grounds near the church from 3.30 onwards in Marquee, adults 1/-, children 6d. A meat tea will be provided for ringers in the Church Hut at 1/6 per head to members, 2/- to others. A hearty welcome will be given to members of kindred Associations.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—The annual summer meeting will be held at Ranmore on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. By the kind permission of Lord Ashcombe, the beautiful grounds of Denbies will be thrown open during the afternoon to ringers and friends. Tea and refreshments may be had near the church. The bells at St. Martin's, Dorking, will also be available from 7.30 to 9. All ringers welcome.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**NORTHWOLD (8 bells) and METHWOLD, Norfolk (6 bells),** by kind permission of incumbents, will be open for ringing on August Bank Holiday. Visitors are recommended to bring lunch with them.—Fred R. Borrett.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The next Meeting will be held at Donnington, Spalding, on Bank Holiday, August 7th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea in Church Institute, at 4.15 p.m. Bells available all day.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Isle of Wight District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Shorwell (5) on August Bank Holiday. Bells available at 2 p.m. Brighstone (5) about one mile distant, also at 2. Service at Shorwell Church at 4.30.—W. Upton, Hon. Dist. Sec., 10, Elm Grove, Newport.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1537).**—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on August 17th and 31st; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 8th; Southwark Cathedral on the 15th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 22nd; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 24th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodlinham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Staplehurst on Saturday, August 12th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea in the Parish Room after service, followed by business meeting. Members intending to attend must notify the Dis. Sec. not later than Tuesday, August 8th, so as to ascertain the number for tea.—W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The Monthly meeting will be held at Christ Church, West Didsbury, on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready at 4 o'clock. Meeting 7 p.m.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—A meeting will be held at Kirkham (8 bells) on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30. Visitors welcomed.—C. Sharples, 3, Rutland Gate, North Promenade, Blackpool.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—A Quarterly meeting of the District will be held at Kingstone on Saturday, August 12th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea (Bullring) 6 p.m., 9d. each to those notifying me not later than August 8th.—C. Edwards Dis. Sec., Great Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, August 12th, at St. Luke's, Heywood. Bells ready at 3. Meeting, 6.30. A good attendance is requested.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Highworth on Saturday, August 12th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30.—R. W. Hyner, Hon. Sec., 42, Brunswick Street, Swindon, Wilts.

**BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A Meeting will be held at Crofton, near Wakefield, on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready early, in splendid order. Tea will be provided strictly for those sending their names before August 5th, to Mr. E. Stead, 4, Park View, Crofton, near Wakefield. A cordial invitation is offered to all ringers.—C. D. Potter, Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Hale on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 5.—Walter Hughes.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Seend on Saturday, August 19th. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. Short business meeting, 5.30.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Waldron on Saturday, August 19th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at the Memorial Hall at 5 p.m. (1s. per head). Will those intending to be present kindly inform me by Wednesday, August 16th?—Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. Div. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, August 19th. Bells (8) available from noon. Service at 3.45 p.m. Tea at 4.30 at 1/6 per head in the Barn Room, to those who notify Mr. R. Thompson, Co-op. Villas, Hatfield, near Doncaster, by August 16th. All ringers heartily welcomed.—A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A Ringing meeting will be held at Brown Edge on Saturday, August 19th. Please notify me on or before August 13th, how many intend to be present from your tower.—Edward Steele, 109, George Street, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Grimsby District.—Meeting will be held at Barton-on-Humber on Saturday, August 19th. Please write to Mr. A. W. Hoodless, 11, Holydyke, Barton, for tea. All ringers welcome.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Calne Branch.—A meeting will be held at Calne on Saturday, August 19th, and not at Clyffe as previously arranged. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m.—S. L. R. Sharp, Hon. Sec., Calne.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday August 19th, by permission of the Rev. F. Marriott, Vicar. Members will be entertained to tea by the Vicar after service. Tower open at 3 p.m., also St. Mary's, by permission of the Rev. James, Vicar. Will members kindly let me know by the 14th all who intend to be present?—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m. Bishopsgate, August 28th. St. Clement Danes, August 21st. Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th at 5.15 p.m. Send your name in for the Summer outing on Saturday, Sept. 9th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**ARKSEY, DONCASTER.**—A combined practice has been arranged at this tower, every second Saturday in the month. All visitors welcome.—G. Clark, Sec.

**AN INVITATION.**—Ringers visiting Grimsby or Cleethorpes during the holidays will be always welcomed at St. Andrew's Church, Freeman Street, two minutes' from Grimsby Dock Station. Standard methods rung.

Sunday ringing, 10.15 to 11 o'clock, 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. Earlier start can be made for evening ringing by arrangement. Practices or peal attempts arranged on the Sunday.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

MR. E. EVANS has removed from 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich, to 'Rutherglen,' Deans Way, Gloucester.

## ALFRED BOWELL, CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

### GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

## JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD., COVENTRY.

#### PUBLICATION.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.



**CHURCH BELLS.**

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).

**W. ACGETT & SONS,****Leading Church Bell Hangers.**

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

**HANDBELLS.****Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.**

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

**The Jasper Snowdon Series.****REVISED PRICES.**

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10s.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

**Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.****The Central Council Publications****LIST OF PUBLICATIONS**

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s. d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	1 0

**"The World's Best Bellropes"**

**PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.**

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

**Splicing and Repairs****JOHN PRITCHARD,**

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

**UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.**

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½ in. 2½ in. 3½ in. 3½ in. 4 in. 4½ in. 5 in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 78/- 98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

**THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT**

A Beautifully Executed

**RINGERS' PENDANT**

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

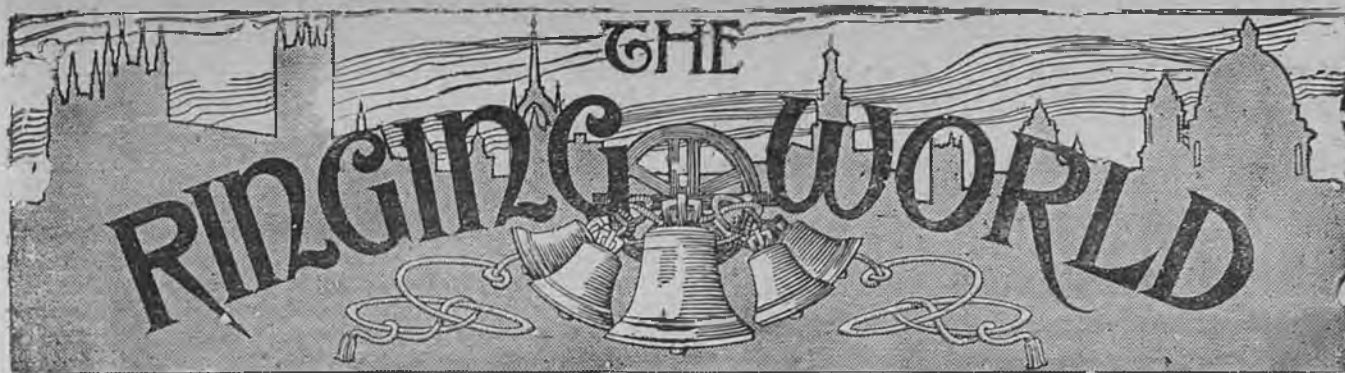
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER, Goldsmith and Jeweller,**  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Broad-  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 595. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

### CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

## BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### BELL RESTORATION FUNDS.

The proposal that was before the Central Council at the last meeting, recommending the various Associations each to inaugurate a belfry repairs fund, has already come under the notice of some of the county and diocesan organisations. There are many who have no such fund from which to assist bell restoration work; but there are, of course, several Associations who have for years had their special funds for this purpose, or who have made a practice of granting sums of money out of the general resources. For example, at the Oxford Guild meeting, only a week or two ago, a sum of eight guineas was voted, and restoration schemes in three parishes will benefit. The Kent Association is another organisation which contributes annually to similar undertakings, and Central Northants, among some few others, also has a special fund. The object of the resolution which the Council adopted was to obtain a wider adoption of a scheme of this character to help in the work of bell restoration.

The objection to the proposal which occurs to many minds was voiced by the Master of the Bath and Wells Association at the recent annual meeting of that organisation, when he said he 'thought they might find it doubtful whether the amount that could be granted to any parish would be sufficient to make the formation of such a fund worth while.' Failing the practice adopted by the Oxford Guild of voting donations out of the general funds, we think that, however small an amount an Association could raise and disburse in a year, the effort to establish a special fund would be well worth while. There are various means by which such a fund could be assisted, and there are many reasons why an Association should be in a position to help in bell restoration work where the necessity arises. First and foremost it is a means of showing that the ringer's interest in bells is not merely a selfish one, and that the objects for which an Association works include the preservation and improvement of bells as well as the preservation and improvement of the ringer's office.

It was never the intention that an attempt should be made to raise large sums of money. Such an idea would be ludicrous. The desire behind the proposal, as we understand it, is to make the formation of these special funds general among Associations, so that from time to time the ringers of a county or diocese can give practical help in cases in need of assistance, and at the same time show that they have a collective desire to assist in restorations. A large general fund for the whole country being out of the question, by far the most effective way of

(Continued on page 498.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 155, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

running such a scheme is through the County and Diocesan Associations and Guilds, and we cannot believe that ringers, when they consider the subject carefully, will fail to see the desirability of adopting the proposal made in the Central Council meeting. The payment of grants by those societies who already recognise the advantages, not to say the responsibilities, of giving such help, is proof that the thing can be done, and all those organisations who do not already make a point of contributing to bell restoration work ought seriously to consider the subject. To cast it aside merely because the amount available would not be large, is to shelve it on a very poor pretext.

### TWELVE BELL PEAL.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Tuesday, Aug. 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 36 cwt. in C.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... ..	Treble	JAMES E. GROVES ... ..	7
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... ..	2	JAMES GEORGE ... ..	8
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... ..	3	ERNEST MANSELL ... ..	9
GEORGE F. SWANN ... ..	4	THOMAS H. REEVES ... ..	10
ALBERT WALKER ... ..	5	JOHN NEAL ... ..	11
BERNARD WITCHELL ... ..	6	GEORGE H. YENDALL ... ..	Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in the inverted titmuss and hand-stroke home positions, as a tribute of respect to Sir Edward Malins, M.D., a distinguished Birmingham physician, educational and social worker.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

APPLETON, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, July 31, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES;

WILLIAM HOLIFIELD ... ..	Treble	EDGAR HUMFREY ... ..	6
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN. ... ..	2	FREDERICK S. WHITE ... ..	7
RICHARD G. RICE ... ..	3	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN. ... ..	8
JAMES W. WILKINS ... ..	4	RICHARD WHITE ... ..	9
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... ..	5	CUTHBERT G. WHITE ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN.

Arranged for Mr. G. R. Newton, who hails from Liverpool, and was elected a member of the above Guild before commencing the peal.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Wednesday, Aug. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN THE MARTYR,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5049 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

ALFRED E. REEVES ... ..	Treble	ALBERT E. STOWELL ... ..	6
EDGAR GUISE ... ..	2	WILLIAM KNIGHT ... ..	7
MISS PHYLLIS HARE ... ..	3	HENRY PRING ... ..	8
WILLIAM A. CAVE ... ..	4	JOHN A. BURFORD ... ..	9
RICHARD CLARK ... ..	5	GEORGE LACEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON.

Conducted by W. A. CAVE.

Miss Hare (of Peterboro') was elected a life member of the Association, and it was her first peal of Stedman Caters.

LONG STANTON, CAMBS. — For practice, on Tuesday, August 1st, in 23 mins., 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. Hawkes 1, F. J. Cook 2, J. B. Woolley 3, C. W. Woolley 4, G. Crisp 5, C. W. Cook (conductor) 6. Also 408 Oxford Treble Bdb Minor: J. B. Woolley 1, W. Hawkes 3; the rest as before.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt.

REGINALD BROUGH ... .. Treble	*JAMES COOPER ... .. 6
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 2	ALFRED J. TRAPPITT ... .. 7
WILLIAM BULPITT ... .. 3	CHARLES H. KIPPEN ... .. 8
AMOS W. CLARK ... .. 4	WILLIAM GROVES ... .. 9
SIDNEY ROPER ... .. 5	JAMES W. TRAPPITT ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by REGINALD BROUGH.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

PLYMOUTH.  
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.  
(St. Andrew's Society.)

On Wednesday, July 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At St. George's Church, Stonehouse,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT's TEN-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

*THOMAS G. MYERS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RICHARDS ... .. 5
JOHN GLUVAS ... .. 2	G. HARRY MYERS ... .. 6
WILLIAM HAMLYN ... .. 3	GEORGE PARR ... .. 7
ALFRED MITCHELMORE ... .. 4	GEORGE PARR, SEN. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. H. MYERS.

The first attempt for a peal by the treble ringer, who is aged 15 years, and is the son of the conductor. He is the youngest ringer to ring a peal in the West of England. Rung as a compliment to the Rev. T. Allwork (curate of St. Andrew's) upon his institution as Vicar of St. George's, by the Bishop of Exeter.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

*JAMES FOREMAN ... .. Treble	JOHN HALL ... .. 5
HARRY HALL ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... .. 6
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ... .. 3	VICTOR E. KERRIDGE ... .. 7
DAVID G. WIGHTMAN ... .. 4	CHARLES WOODCOCK ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by D. G. WIGHTMAN.

\* First Peal.

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

DAVID G. WIGHTMAN ... .. Treble	ALFRED W. WATSON ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... .. 2	THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... .. 6
VICTOR E. KERRIDGE ... .. 3	HARRY HALL ... .. 7
JOHN GARRETT ... .. 4	JOHN HALL ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. LOCKWOOD. Conducted by D. G. WIGHTMAN.

STRANTON, WEST HARTLEPOOL.  
THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Aug. 2, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT's TEN-PART

Tenor 13 cwt. in F.

*WALTER SIMPSON ... .. Treble	REV. ALBERT SIMPSON ... .. 5
†ROBERT WEBSTER ... .. 2	FRED P. HOWCROFT ... .. 6
FREDERICK ROBSON ... .. 3	JOHN LOWREY ... .. 7
‡STANLEY E. ANDREWS ... .. 4	§THOMAS H. CHAMPION ... .. Tenor

Conducted by REV. A. SIMPSON.

\* First peal away from Tenor. † First peal of Grandsire with bob bell. ‡ First peal of Grandsire. § First peal.

LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Aug. 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in F sharp.

*RALPH NARBOROUGH ... .. Treble	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 5
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 2	W. H. J. HOOTON ... .. 6
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... .. 3	EDWIN R. GOATE ... .. 7
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. 4	JOHN W. JONES ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method. Messrs. W. H. J. Hooton, of Cambridge, and John W. Jones, of Newport, Mon., were elected life members of the above Association before starting the peal.

NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Aug. 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Edmund,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

FRED WILFORD ... .. Treble	WALTER AUSTIN ... .. 5
WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. 2	BERTIE O. SODEN ... .. 6
FRED HOPPER ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. 7
JOSEPH DEAN ... .. 4	TOM TEBBUTT ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN. Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.

First peal of Bob Major as conductor. Rung for the 70th anniversary of the dedication of the Church.

ILMINSTER, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT's ORIGINAL.

Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb.

*CHARLES GUMMER ... .. Treble	FRANK MILLARD ... .. 5
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	GEORGE SIBLEY ... .. 6
†SIDNEY VICTOR CRABE ... .. 3	DAVID G. TAYLOR ... .. 7
†STEPHEN W. CRABE ... .. 4	HENRY RAJSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal.

EYE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

F. BORRETT ... .. Treble	G. BROWN, JUN. ... .. 5
C. BAKER ... .. 2	E. POPPY ... .. 6
J. BROUGHTON ... .. 3	E. WHITING ... .. 7
A. BERRY ... .. 4	L. LAST ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by F. BORRETT.

CRADLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

HARRY PRICE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 5
JOHN BASS ... .. 2	JOHN SMITH ... .. 6
ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
*WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by S. GROVE.

\* First peal of London. These bells have recently been rehung by Mr. James E. Groves, of Birmingham.



CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24½ cwt.

WILLIAM T. PALMER ... .. Treble	FREDERICK E. SMITH ... .. 5
WILLIAM LAMBERT ... .. 2	A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... .. 6
SIDNEY F. PALMER ... .. 3	WALTER ALLWOOD ... .. 7
ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 4	JOHN FLINT ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

WROTHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

GEORGE POUND ... .. Treble	HARRY GOODWIN ... .. 5
GEORGE NEWMAN ... .. 2	GEORGE BELL ... .. 6
TOM SAUNDERS ... .. 3	CHARLES H. SONE ... .. 7
LEONARD MANNERING ... .. 4	LEWIS NEWMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES S. WILDE. Conducted by C. H. SONE.

Peal No. 18 in C.C. Collection. First peal of Bob Major on the bells.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

WITHAM, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Aug. 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine and Kent Treble Bob, two 720's Oxford Treble Bob, two of Double Court and 720 Plain Bob.

Tenor 18 cwt.

VICTOR GLASS ... .. Treble	HENRY DORKIN ... .. 4
WILLIAM BUTLER ... .. 2	ANDREW EVERS ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. P. MELLIN ... .. 3	ERNEST BRIGHT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. BRIGHT.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. J. Chalk, one of the local band, and son of Mr. A. Chalk, towerkeeper of St. Nicholas Church, which took place the same day at St. Mary the Virgin and All Saints' Church, Langdon Hills, the bride being Miss Gladys E. B. Rickard, of West View, Langdon Hills.

ELFORD, STAFFS.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD  
On Wednesday, Aug. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 7 cwt.

GEO. PEERS ... .. Treble	CHARLES CHAPMAN ... .. 4
ALBERT YOUNG ... .. 2	GEORGE CHAPLIN ... .. 5
WILLIAM CHAPMAN ... .. 3	JAMES PRATT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES PRATT.

Believed to be the first peal on the bells, which were re-hung recently by Mr. J. E. Groves, the 'go' being excellent. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Rector for the use of the bells.

HARROLD, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Woodbine, Oxford, Kent Treble Bob, Single Oxford and Plain Bob.

PEARL INSKIP ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SHARPE ... .. 4
ALFRED ROBINSON ... .. 2	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. 5
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 3	HERBERT L. HARLOW ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

BIRMINGHAM.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, Aug. 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 17 in B flat.

ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 1-2	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 5-6
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 3-4	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7-8
JAMES GEORGE ... .. 9-10	

Composed by J. E. GROVES. Conducted by A. E. Norman.

Referee: MORRIS J. MORRIS.

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday Aug. 4, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.

Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

First peal of Royal by the performer.

**RINGERS' OUTINGS.**

(Continued from page 501.)

Fear had everything in order, and ringing on the nice little ring of eight bells, with a 15 cwt. tenor, was enjoyed. Only a short stay was possible here, as Bradford-on-Avon was to be the next stopping place. There the excursionists were met by Mr. Stafford. The eight bells of the Parish Church, with a 33 cwt. tenor, were soon in full swing. As the party left the belfry they were met by the Vicar, who expressed a hope that, although short, the visitors' time had been enjoyable in the tower. He pointed out an old Saxon church about a thousand years old, and which had been practically lost sight of for about two hundred years, through having been hidden by newer buildings which had been erected around it. These have now happily been removed, and the old church is now used for daily services during the week. Leaving Bradford-on-Avon, headway was made for Chewton Mendip, where, as at the other towers, everything was in readiness for the visitors. Mr. Tucker welcomed his 'brother strings,' who found a most beautiful ring of eight bells, with a 24 cwt. tenor (practically a new peal from the Loughborough foundry and tuned on the five-toned principle). Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung, and a touch of Bob Major brought round. The bells 'go' beautifully, and the tone is of excellent quality. Wedmore was the next place to be visited, where a heavy peal of eight hangs in the tower of the Parish Church, the tenor reputed to be 39½ cwt. The visitors were not very favourably struck with the 'go' of these bells, which require a little too much of the manual exercise to make it enjoyable, while the noise in the belfry from the two tenors is almost deafening. Therefore, only a short stay was made here, and, after tea, a start was made for Burnham-on-Sea, but, as time was getting on apace, the ringing here was abandoned, and only a short stay made, the time being spent in the company of some of the local ringers. The homeward journey began soon after nine, Taunton being reached about 10.30. Thus ended a most enjoyable outing, and from a campanological point of view, the best the Guild ever had. The ringers wish, through the columns of 'The Ringing World,' to thank the incumbents of the various churches for the permission to ring, the kind friends who gave up their time to meet them, and all others who helped to make the outing such a splendid success.

**VISIT TO ROMSEY.**

On Saturday, July 29th, the ringers of St. Mary's, Alverstoke, held their annual outing at Romsey, and, by the kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. A. J. Robertson) and vice-captain (Mr. F. Paskins), they were able to use the Abbey bells. Several short touches of Grandsire were rung between 3 and 5 p.m., and, after tea, a 504 Grandsire Triples was successfully brought round: H. Nobes 1, C. Barron 2, W. Wheeler 3, F. Barron 4, F. Nobes 5, A. Noble 6, E. Noble 7, Q.M.-Sergt. Webb 8.

**SELWORTHY, SOMERSET.** — On Saturday, June 10th, at the Parish Church, touches of Bob Minor, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor were rung by the local band, the five brothers Arscott, Mr. W. Hoyle, of Minehead, and J. H. White, of Coventry. The above touches being arranged for J. H. White.

## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

### A SHEFFIELD GUILD IN NORTH NOTTS.

On Saturday, July 8th, the St. Mary's Guild, Handsworth, Sheffield, held their first annual outing, when about 28 ringers and friends went for a short tour in North Notts. Worksop was the first place of call, and here the party was met by Mr. H. Haigh, the genial secretary of the North Notts Association, and they soon had the bells going in Plain Bob and Grandsire Triples. The next tower visited was Ordsall, where the party found an easy going ring of six, on which Bob Minor and plain courses of Kent were brought round for the 'youngsters.' After a course of Grandsire Triples, and three courses of Bob Major on handbells, a visit was paid to East Retford, where eight of the party had their first pull on ten, and a course of Grandsire was rung. It had been intended to visit the neighbouring tower at West Retford, but this had to be cut out of the programme. On the return journey a call was made at Blyth, where there is a fine old church with a ring of six, on which Grandsire Doubles were brought round, with the assistance of one of the local ringers. Not even the unfavourable weather could damp the spirits of this young and enthusiastic guild, and though the ringing was not of the class one would expect from old hands, a good deal of experience was gained on bells that do not 'go' quite so well as their own.

This opportunity is taken to thank the incumbents of the various churches for the use of the bells, Mr. Haigh, of Worksop, and the ringers at the other places of call, also Mr. and Mrs. and Miss Barker, who all helped to make the outing such an enjoyable affair.

### TWO DAYS' TRIP TO BEDFORDSHIRE.

The members of Westminster Abbey and St. Stephen's, Rochester Row, towers had for their annual outing an excursion, which, as usual, extended over two days. The party of 16 proceeded by the 7.35 a.m. train on Saturday, July 8th, to Leighton Buzzard, and amused themselves on the journey down with touches of Stedman Cinques on the handbells. Mr. Nichols, of Leighton, was waiting to welcome the company, and a charabanc conveyed them to the Plume of Feathers Hotel, which was made the headquarters for the two days. After an excellent breakfast, a ringing tour to Bletchley, Woburn, Luton and Dunstable was undertaken. At Bletchley Mr. H. Sear met the party, and escorted them to the tower, and soon the bells were sending out their music to a well-struck course of London and touches of Stedman, etc. These bells are in a rather bad condition, but great efforts are being made by the local ringers to raise sufficient money so that they may be put in order. At Woburn, the company were met here by the brothers Herbert. The fine bells pealed out right merrily to Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and London Surprise Major, and then an adjournment was made to the Magpie Hotel, where dinner was served, and gave great satisfaction to all. After having rested awhile from their 'labours,' a few wended their way back to the tower for another pull on this grand eight, and they seemed so loth to leave that the secretary had to dispatch a messenger to them, with a threat of going on and leaving them behind unless they speedily returned. This had the desired effect, and the party left Woburn at 3 p.m. for Luton. The first part of this journey was through the lovely estate of the Duke of Bedford. Luton was reached about 4 p.m., and here Messrs. Goodenough and Blackburne met and welcomed the visitors. Touches in various methods were successfully accomplished, although the weather was very unkind round about this time, which did not in the least damp the spirits of the party, who, after bidding adieu to old and new friends, turned their faces towards Dunstable. Here Mr. Sharman was their guide, and had made arrangements for tea. After a welcome meal, the party visited the tower, where they were given a great welcome by Canon Baker, who escorted the party over his fine and historical church. Climbing a 40-rung ladder, they found themselves in the ringing chamber, and put in strenuous practice in various methods, including Double Norwich, Cambridge and London Surprise Major. It gave them great pleasure to ring a touch with Canon Baker, and it is hoped he was as much pleased as they were. As this was the last call of the day, it took a little longer to oil up the motor, etc., but all things have an ending, and at last the car glided off on its way back to Leighton, where supper was waiting. Afterwards a call for order was given, and the party were informed that an initiation of several present into that great and solemn order of 'Tom Tits' was to take place. With due solemnity the Grand Master of the Order performed the ceremony, with the assistance of the worthy secretary. Unfortunately, for business reasons, the Deputy Grand Master had to return to London before this part of the proceedings was reached.

The programme for Sunday consisted of ringing at Linslade 9.45—10.30 a.m. and 5—6 p.m., Leighton Parish Church 10—11 a.m. and 2—3 p.m. At the Parish Church, Leighton, Stedman Caters and Cambridge Royal were rung, and at Linslade Grandsire and Stedman Triples and London Surprise Major. At intervals during the day the handbells were brought out and some excellent practice took place.

Time waits for no man, and at last the excursionists had to under-

stand that outings do not last for ever (only in memory). After bidding adieu to all friends, they caught the 6.50 train for Euston.

The company take this opportunity of thanking the incumbents of churches visited for their kindness in granting the use of the bells, and for their personal welcome; also the various leaders and local ringers for their kind reception, and in having everything ready. Last, but not least, they thank Mr. Nichols for so kindly placing his services at the disposal of the party for the two days.

### AMONG SUFFOLK TOWERS.

On Monday, July 17th, the Debenham Company visited a number of towers in South-West Suffolk. Starting from home at 7.30 a.m., the party proceeded by motor bus to Stowmarket, where they were met by Mr. W. Souter and others. Touches of Cambridge and Treble Bob Major were rung, and then the party proceeded to Lavenham, with its magnificent tower and its famous tenor bell. Mr. A. Symonds had everything in readiness, and Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge and Stedman were the methods indulged in. Some of the more ardent spirits climbed to the top of the tower, but as the day was wet and misty the view was not so good as it would otherwise have been. Proceeding to Sudbury for dinner, the party were joined by Mr. David Elliott, who acted as guide when they subsequently visited the towers of St. Gregory and All Saints'. The peal at the former church are in excellent going order, but make far too much noise in the ringing chamber, while the latter, although a grand toned peal, go rather too heavily for anything beyond short touches, a course being about enough at a time—anyway, the writer found that 224 Double Norwich on the tenor was rather more than he wanted. Touches of Cambridge, Superlative Treble Bob and Stedman Triples were also rung, with the assistance of Mr. Elliott. The next objective was Hadleigh, which was reached about 6.15 p.m., and, after tea had been partaken of, some good touches of Kent, Cambridge and Stedman were rung. Mr. T. Reed met the visitors here, and took part in one of the touches. The 'go' of the bells is first class, and they are a fine toned peal. Debenham was found to be still in the same place at 11.30 p.m., and all voted the outing to be a most enjoyable one. The thanks of the ringers are due to the clergy of the various churches for granting permission to ring; also to the tower keepers and the local men, who so kindly met them and helped to make the tour the success that it was.

### STOWMARKET RINGERS' DAY OUT.

The Stowmarket Company had their annual outing on Saturday, July 15th. Leaving home by charabanc at 8 a.m., they proceeded to Halesworth, where they were met by some of the local ringers. There is a nice ring of eight bells (tenor 20 cwt.), but they are hung in a remarkable way, the ropes falling in the order of 1 7 2 6 4 5 3 8. Despite this handicap to visitors, however, several touches were brought round. A move was then made to Leiston, where a capital lunch was enjoyed at the White Horse Hotel. At the tower the party were met by one of the celebrated brothers Bailey, who was unfortunately kept at home through a family bereavement, the other members of the company being on their outing. Several touches were brought round. It had been intended to proceed to Ufford, where the Rev. H. Drake had kindly given permission for ringing, but as time was getting on it was found necessary to abandon this tower, and tracks were made for Debenham, where Mr. E. E. Grimes had arranged tea at the Lion Hotel. Afterwards ringing was indulged in, with the kind help of Debenham friends, several touches being brought round on this fine peal of bells, where the then record peal of 16,603 Oxford Treble Bob was rung on June 6th, 1892. The methods rung during the day were Bob Major, Oxford, Double Norwich, Stedman and Grandsire.

The company wish to thank all the incumbents for granting permission to use their bells, and all, especially Mr. E. E. Grimes, who helped to make the outing such a pleasant one.

### AMONG HEAVY BELLS IN SOMERSET.

On Saturday, July 22nd, St. James' Guild, Taunton, had their annual outing. Accompanied by a few friends, they left Taunton in a charabanc at 7 a.m., and after a run of about thirty-five miles, reached Shepton Mallet, where Mr. Richards was awaiting their arrival. The Parish Church bells, a fine peal of eight, with a 26 cwt. tenor, were quickly rung up in peal, and several touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples brought round. A move was then made for Frome, and during the journey a lovely avenue of lime trees was passed through, but the opportunity of enjoying the open country was somewhat marred by rain. On reaching Frome, Mr. Bishop had everything in readiness, but a short delay in the raising of the bells was caused by a wedding which was taking place, but as the happy pair left the beautiful church the bells were sending forth their joyful music to the tune first of Grandsire and then of Stedman Triples. The tenor is 35 cwt.

The bells having been run down, lunch was partaken of at the George Hotel. Tracks were then made for Beckington, where Mr.

(Continued on page 500.)

## ST. MARY'S, LAMBETH.

### COST OF ANCIENT RESTORATIONS.

The restoration of the bells at St. Mary's, Lambeth, led us recently to give brief extracts from the old parish accounts relating to the bells. The churchwardens' books of those far-off days contain many other entries concerning the bells which will interest ringers. The bells had to be rung when the kings visited the parish, and for a sin of omission when Henry VIII. went to Lambeth on one occasion in 1517-18, the authorities had to pay, for we read:—

Item paid to the yema amynner for defaultt off the ryngynge off the bells at the Kyngs comynge. ijs. iiijd.

The steeplekeeper in those days seems to have been paid two shillings a year, not a large sum even in that time of large money values, if the work was onerous—which, perhaps, it was not.

1554-57. Item paid to Wilim Smyth for lokyng to the beles and greasyng the bell stocks for on yere. ijs.

In 1584 the recasting of the bells was undertaken, and at a vestry meeting on May 17th, when this was agreed to, £9 3s. was received from a 'benyvolance gathered towards the new castyng of the belles.' £18 appears to have been paid for recasting the four bells, and later on there appears the entry:—

It, for our diner churchwardens bellfounder and other honest men of ye parishe at ye paiement of ye money receyvinge of his bonde for the strenght of ye sayd belles in warrantie for a ycare and a daye. vjs. viiij.

In 1571-72 twelve pence were paid 'for ringing at the overthrowe of the tourcke.'

A similar sum was spent in 1579-80, 'on the bell founder in wine and beere when he came to give his advice in mending the bell clappers,' and this kind of thing seems to have been a general practice at that time. If it is not continued to this day, the bell founders have reason to regret the lapse of a good old custom. And so have his men, as will be seen from some of the extracts that follow:—

1586-87. It, for makeinge ye men drinke when they brought home ye Bell and other honest men with them. xxjd.

The tenor of the new ring gave some trouble afterwards, for 'the oled greate belle that was broken in the teymes of Roger Winslo Richard Tharpe and John Lucas being churchwardens in the year of our lorde 1598 did containe in waighte xiiij C one quarter and xxij li.' 'The newe greate bell that now ys in the stepell do waye xv C a half and xxi li.'

Item also for new castenge careinge hangeng and all other charges to be allowed and he to have a xs, the hundred. viij. li.

Item also yt was agreed that he should have for the over plusse of mettell that he put into the bel viiij. pound so thereas was put in more then was in the old bell hi one hundred and xxvij li. iiij li. xiis. viij.

In 1599-1600 the parish paid £6 2s. 1d. towards the charges for the 'greate bell,' and 11s. more was received 'of my Lordes grace towarde the same bell,' so the Archbishop dipped his hand into his pocket to help.

The tenor came down again in 1602. On the 8th September 12 pence was paid when 'the great bell was pulled downe to laborers that did help to make them drinke.' A carpenter was paid when he 'tooke off the wheeles and altered the frame,' and, then comes the information that 3d. was 'payde for ij (two) peny nayles that mended the wheeles that were taken asunder.'

The tenor came home on the 14th November, but on March 30th, 1603, it was once more removed, for 2s. was 'payed to them that did helpe to take downe the greate bell.' There are recorded sundry payments to Mr. Moet (sometimes spelt Moate) for his work. In 1609-10 the 'great bell' was again recast, and apparently more metal was put into it. Once more appear items for 'bread and drinke upon the bell founders' and 'bread and beere at the hanging up of the bell.' Yet again did the tenor come down, and in the same year, too, a broken gudgeon being apparently the cause, for these three entries appear:—

Item for taking down and hanging up agayne of the great Bell. ls.

Item for Breade and Beere at the taking downe of the Bell. xd.

Item for newe hanging agayne of the great Bell and a new Godgen the old bing broken. xxis. vjd.

After this, all seems to have been well with the tenor, but the third was recast in 1613. Apparently the work was not paid for until 1617, when £1 13s. 4d. was 'payde to Phillipp Walton an olde debt being for the hanging up of the third bell in 1613,' and £4 'payde to Walter Barton for an olde debte oweinge to Carter the Bell founder for castyng of the third bell.' By the way, in 1613 ls. 6d. 'was spent in victualls when wee went to see the weight of the 3rd bell being put out to be newe cast.' So these worthies of ancient days did not neglect creature comforts when going about business connected with bells, and ringers to-day maintain the custom, albeit generally at their own expense.

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

### DIVISION OF THE COUNTY INTO DISTRICTS.

The fifteenth annual general meeting of the Guild was held at Warwick on July 29th. The bells of St. Mary's (10) were open for ringing at 2.45 p.m., and members were present from Allesley, Coventry, Exhall, Leamington, Nuneaton, Rugby, Stoke and Warwick. A disappointment occurred with regard to the service in St. Mary's Church. The Rev. C. A. H. Russell, Rector of Whitnash, had promised to take the service, but at the last moment was unable to do so on account of a family bereavement. The time was too short to make other arrangements, and the service had to be dispensed with.

The business meeting was held in St. Mary's Hall, the President, Canon Back, presiding. He was supported by the Ringing Master and about 30 others.

The Chairman referred to Rule 2, which mentions 'That the position of patron be reserved for the Bishop of the Diocese,' and moved that the secretary be instructed to write to the new Bishop of Coventry to obtain his consent to act as patron of the Guild.

The Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. Wilkerson, read a report of the Guild's activities during the past year, and, on the motion of Mr. H. Argyle, seconded by Mr. J. H. White, a unanimous vote of thanks was accorded him.

### THE GROWTH OF THE GUILD.

The Secretary, in his report, stated: Quarterly meetings were held at Southam in October, Erdington in January, and Solihull in April. Monthly meetings at Brinklow in August, Exhall in September, Monks Kirby in May, and Berkswell in June. The meetings, on the whole, were well attended, especially those at Monks Kirby and Berkswell. During the past year 40 new members have been elected, viz., One honorary (Rev. J. K. Taylor, Stoke Golding), 10 non-resident members, and 29 ordinary ringing members. These include the newly-formed bands at Exhall and Monks Kirby. The total membership of the Guild now stands at 268: made up by hon. members 7, hon. life members 8, non-resident ringing members 84, and resident ringing members 169.

Thirty-three peals have been rung, against 15 last year, and a pleasing feature is the fact that the increase has been in the higher methods. Twenty-nine were rung on tower bells and three on handbells. Special mention should be made of the two peals of Stedman Caters in hand, and Mr. Frank Perrens and the Coventry men, including some of the Allesley Band, deserve the heartiest congratulations of the Guild, by ringing the first for the Guild, and the first handbell peal in the City of Coventry. Mention must also be made of the peal of Cambridge Surprise Major rung at Nuneaton on July 6th last, this being the first peal in this intricate method for the Guild by an entirely local band. The total number of peals rung by the Guild to date is 225. Eleven members have scored their first peal for the Guild during the year, the youngest ringer being Fredk. Sanders, of Exhall. Seven have rung their first in various methods, and four their first for the Guild. There have been 16 conductors during the year, and the peals comprise: Stedman Caters on handbells 2, Cambridge Surprise Major 2, Superlative 1, Kent Major 1, Double Norwich 3, Bob Major 1, Stedman Triples 8, Grandsire Triples 1, Minor in seven methods 6, Minor in four methods 4, Minor in one method 3, Doubles on handbells 1: total 33. Since the last annual meeting the late Ringing Master, Mr. James George, has successfully rung his 700th peal, and the secretary was instructed to send him a letter of congratulation from the members of the Guild. Mr. H. Argyle, your representative on the Central Council, attended the Council meeting at Lincoln on Whit-Tuesday on your behalf, and to whom your thanks are due. Your thanks are also due to the Ringing Master, Mr. A. Roberts, who, I believe (with one or two exceptions when he was very seriously indisposed) has attended all the meetings during the year, and, with tact and ability, has directed the ringing on each occasion; also to Mr. O. J. Hunt, who, in addition to his duties as auditor, acted as secretary on the occasion with skill and satisfaction. We again gratefully acknowledge the support received by the Guild from the clergy, in granting permission for ringing, and entertaining the members, especially the President and Mrs. Back, but it is still a matter of regret that a large number of towers in the county are not affiliated to the Guild, and here I would like to thank the Rugby men for their efforts at Monks Kirby, the Nuneaton band for similar efforts at Chilvers Coton, and Mr. J. H. White for his help at Exhall; also any others who have endeavoured to assist the Guild in any way that has not been brought to my notice.

### DISTRICTS TO BE FORMED.

A long discussion took place with regard to dividing the Guild into districts, and ultimately it was decided to do so, the following gentlemen accepting office as hon. district secretaries: Mr. F. Ashbourne, Warwick District; Mr. J. B. Fenton, Rugby District; Mr. F. E. Pervin, Coventry District; and Mr. T. W. Chapman, Nuneaton District. The meeting unanimously decided to ask Mr. Bernard Witchell to take over the Birmingham area in Warwickshire.

The President, Canon Back, and the Ringing Master, Mr. A. Roberts, were unanimously re-elected, and the rest of the officers

were duly re-elected en bloc, with the exception of Mr. A. J. Hessian, of Rugby, and Mr. H. Reader, of Chilvers Coton, members of the committee, their places being taken by Mr. H. Argyle and Mr. J. B. Fenton respectively.—On the motion of the President, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the officers for their services during the year.

Nuneaton was selected for the next quarterly meeting in October, Dunehurh for the monthly meeting in August, and Whitnash for September.—Seven new members were elected.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar (Canon Llewellyn Wood) for the use of the bells, and to the President, for presiding, were unanimously passed, and brought a rather long meeting to a close.

The ringing at St. Mary's included Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Superlative Surprise Major and Duffield Royal.

### MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

It was a happy thought of the South-West District of the Middlesex Association to hold a mid-week meeting at Richmond (Surrey) on Wednesday, August 2nd, permission for which was kindly granted by the Vicar.

It was the first meeting of the Middlesex Association at Richmond, and was well attended by members from all parts of the district.

The bells are a useful ring of eight, and there are a number of very old peal boards in the tower.

One board records that in the year 1741 a complete peal was rung of 5040 'Richmond' Triples, evidently by the local band of that time, who seem to have been taken by a spirit of emulation.

Another very old board records a peal 'with as many 7ths as 2nds and as many 5ths as 4ths, and bobs called before and behind alternately.'

The Vicar was thanked for the use of the bells, and, this meeting being so successful, it is hoped that it will become an annual affair.

### ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Essex Association was held at Ardleigh on Saturday, July 29th, when about 40 members (representing 15 towers) were entertained to tea by the kindness of Mr. W. E. Neuth, following a service, conducted by the Vicar, Mr. R. W. Stannard, the district secretary, thanked the Vicar and Mr. Neuth, and also read a letter from the esteemed District Master, Mr. W. J. Nevard, who had met with a serious accident the day before. The Secretary, who referred to Mr. Nevard as the 'grand old man' among ringers of North Essex, loved by all, was instructed to write expressing the members' sympathy with him, and wishing him a speedy recovery.

### MR. C. F. BAILEY'S 300 PEALS.

With a peal of Cambridge Surprise rung by eight brothers, Mr. C. F. Bailey, of Leiston, completed his third century.

	Tower Bells.	Con- ducted.	Hand- bells.	Con- ducted.
Bob Minor	7	3		
Grandsire Triples	1	1		
Double Oxford	1	1		
Double Norwich	31*	29		
Superlative Surprise	42	42		
Cambridge Surprise	34	34		
New Cambridge Surprise	5	5		
Norfolk Surprise	1	1		
Yorkshire Surprise	1	1		
Guildford Surprise	2	2		
Suffolk Surprise	1	1		
Dublin Surprise	1	1		
Bristol Surprise	22	22		
London Surprise	4	4		
Bob Major	11	9	11	11
Bob Royal	—	—	8	8
Bob Maximus	—	—	1	1
Kent Treble Bob Major	30x	17	x18	18
Kent Treble Bob Royal	1	—	9	9
Kent Treble Bob Maximus	1	—	3	3
Oxford Treble Bob Major	14	12	5	5
Oxford Treble Bob Royal	—	—	3	3
Stedman Triples	9	9	3	3
Stedman Caters	—	—	12	12
Stedman Cinques	—	—	2	2
	225	195	75	75

Total 300. Conducted 270.

\*Including 11040, x 7008. Of these 300 peals 132 have been rung on the bells of Mr. Bailey's native tower.

### CAPTAIN FOR 40 YEARS.

Captain of the local band at Chipping Barnet for over 40 years, Mr. J. Sumpter has just celebrated his 70th birthday. On July 28th, at St. John's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 47 mins. in honour of the event: S. Casley 1, F. Chandler 2, C. Dale 3, H. J. Eldred 4, W. Soer 5, F. A. Milne (conductor) 6, R. Sturgeon 7, G. Herbert 8.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE**  
**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,  
32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The new ring of eight bells installed by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. at Alrewas, near Burton-on-Trent, are to be dedicated and opened to-morrow (Saturday) at 5 p.m. The peal has a tenor of 12 cwt.

At St. Clement Danes Church, Strand, to-morrow, Mr. Arthur D. Barker, hon. general secretary of the London County Association, is to be married to Miss Gladys Bateman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Bateman. Miss Bateman is a well known ringer, and is assistant general secretary of the London County Association. The ceremony is to take place at 11 a.m., and the good wishes of the Exercise will go out to both the bride and bridegroom.

The 12th of August is the anniversary of a peal of Grandsire Caters rung at St. Margaret's, Leicester, in the year 1776. In a book, which belonged to one John Martin, who took part in the peal, the following quaint record is preserved: 'August ye 12th. 1776. On Monday, Being his Royal highness the Prince of Wales Birth Day, it was observed by the Leicester Rangers, who rang this peal of 6,012 Grandsire Caters in the Tittoms, which took in performing Four Hours and Twenty Minutes, which we can safely say that a peal of such L 12th never was performed so Compleat By Never a Society in this Kingdom, it Being the first Attempt Ever made for the same and was rung on those much esteemed peal of Ten Bells of St. Margaret's, Leicester, the Tenor of which weighs 29 hundred 3 qrs.' Then follow the names of the ringers, there being two men to the 'tonnor.'

'To celebrate the glorious victory obtained by Lord Wellington over the french at Salamanca' a peal of 5000 Oxford Treble Bob Royal was rung at St. Michael's, Coventry, on August 17th. 1812. Coventry bells are, of course, no longer hung for ringing, having been taken down in 1885. Could not the Towers and Belfries Committee of the Central Council, which is doing some most valuable scientific work, by some means look into the position at St. Michael's?

The first peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus was rung at St. Mary le Tower, Ipswich, on August 15th, 1908, and the first peal of Double Norwich Major in Wales at Rhyl on August 13th, 1883. The latter was rung by the Burton-on-Trent men.

The fine peal of eight at Ashburton Church, Devon, has just been overhauled by Messrs. W. Aggett and Sons, to the great satisfaction of all concerned.

The peal of six bells at the grand old church at Landulph, Cornwall, will shortly be under restoration, and put into good ringing order by Messrs Aggett. The bells are to be hung on the firm's patent adjustable bearings. They have also in hand the restoration of the peal of six bells at Stoodleigh, near Tiverton, Devon.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

### AMUSING INCIDENT AT ANNUAL MEETING.

A record attendance of members and friends assembled at Lichfield on July 29th, for the annual meeting of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford, and among the towers represented were the following: Barton-under-Needwood, Bilston, Birmingham (St. Martin's), Bloxwich, Bradley, Burton-on-Trent, Bushbury, Cannock, Coalbrookdale, Coseley, Coventry, Darlaston, Erdington, Kingswinford, Lichfield, Norton Canes, Nuneaton, Pelsall, Penkridge, Rushall, Shrewsbury, Stafford, Swindon, Tamworth, Tipton, Walsall, Wednesbury, West Bromwich, Willenhall and Wolverhampton. The three peals of bells were kept going merrily during the afternoon and evening. An amusing incident occurred at one tower, where a certain band of six rang some Bob Minor. 'This is a rummy lot of bells,' said one, when the ringing was done. Band No. 2 had a touch in the same method, and, at the finish, came to the same conclusion as did Band No. 1. Band No. 3 managed a six-score of Grandsire Doubles, and the same state of mystification prevailed until the ringer of the 'treble,' through a brain-wave, pulled his bell off singly when the mystery was cleared up. Each band had been using the tenor as the treble, treble for second, etc., with the fifth as tenor! This may seem a little 'far-fetched,' but the truth is vouched for by two who were taking a part in it.

After attending evensong in the Cathedral a move was made to Lloyd's Restaurant, where a substantial tea was provided, about 140 sitting down. The general meeting followed, presided over by the Rev. Preb. Paice, Vicar of St. Mary's. The statement of accounts showed a very fair balance in hand, and it was resolved that the report and balance sheet be printed.

The officers were re-elected, with the exception of the Ringing Master (Mr. W. Fisher), who resigned, the vacancy being filled by the election of Mr. T. J. Elton, of Walsall. A vote of thanks to Mr. Fisher for past services was unanimously passed, to which the retiring Ringing Master suitably responded.

Twenty-eight new members were enrolled, and the following places were selected for the coming meetings:—Kinver in September, Christ Church, West Bromwich, in January, 1923, Cannock in April, and Lichfield (annual) in June.

## THE APPLETON RECORD LENGTH.

RINGERS OF THE 21,363 STEDMAN CATERS IN 12 hrs. 25 mins.



Photo]

[C. H. Horton.

The above group comprises the ringers and composer of the peal of 21,363 Stedman Caters, rung at Appleton, in 12 hrs. 25 mins., on April 22nd. The photograph was taken outside St. Paul's Cathedral, by Mr. C. H. Horton, on the first opportunity the band had of meeting since they rang the peal.

Back row, left to right: George Holifield, sen., 5th; Henry R. Newton, 6th; Alfred B. Peck, 7th; Richard T. Hibbert, 8th; Richard White, 9th; Fred White, tenor.

Front row: Herbert Langdon (conductor), 4th; William Hibbert, 3rd; Henry G. Miles, composer; George Holifield, jun., 2nd; Chadlis F. Winney, treble.

### PEAL TABLET UNVEILED.

The ceremony of unveiling the tablet recording the long peal at Appleton was conducted by the Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild on Friday evening, July 21st, the eve of the Guild Festival. A short service was held in the little village church at 6.30, attended by the churchwardens, ringers and several interested friends. The Rector was unfortunately absent, being abroad on his holiday.

The Rev.-Cyril Jenkyn gave a brief address, in the course of which he said that the outstanding features of the peal were, first, the fact that it was the longest composition ever rung by men standing at their ropes without relief, and, secondly, the high character of the ringing throughout the whole day. For the gifts that were required

for such an achievement they offered thanks and praise to God.

The Master then led the way to the ringing loft, which, in the presence of all who could be accommodated, he unveiled the tablet.

It is of dull slate, inscribed in silver lettering, and is fixed on one of the splayed sides of the west window, the only available place. In addition to the ordinary details, the inscription on the tablet adds: 'This is the longest peal rung by one set of men.'

The service concluded with the grace.

A quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters was then rung by a band composed of members of the families of Holifield and White, with the Master of the Guild.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

## RICHARD HIMSELF AGAIN.

BY 'ONCE A BEGINNER.'

Dear Editor,—Yesterday good Mistress Peppery did catch me in the back shed, furtively trying to convert her best copper coal scuttle into a knightly helm, and to devise a shield from the dust bin lid, and did descend on mine head like a cyclone, and demand to know the reason for such warlike preparations. I did refer her to the 'R.W.' and told her that, as William was out a' jousting, it behoved me to put my pate in a state of defence in case he chanced our way. But ye good woman did inform me that it would be more suitable to my tastes were I to emulate ye good King Cole and call for pipes, bowls, etc., and did explain to me that the panoply of war does not go well with an ascetic complexion like mine, and that the article which had caused me such trembling would not do so again, as she had been busy filling my pipe light jar. So I am again abased and retire crestfallen.

Let me hasten to say that no one is more sincere than I in congratulating 'W. W.' on his recovery. We can't spare such as he from our fold, and let me also hasten to say that I agree in toto with 99 per cent. of his article. I will dissent it.

Let us take 'bearings' first. Now, I have spent the whole of my long and blameless career sticking things into bearings from two feet in diameter to nearly zero, so I think I know what a bearing is capable of, and I agree with 'W. W.' that any luckless wight would have required at the end of six hours' dry slogging merely six bits of wood. 'W. W.' quotes your Editorial of July 28th. He noticed this; so did I notice it; and it is quite correct. The only thing that will put the baby to sleep is a peal of Stedman Caters not less than 21,364 changes in not less than the time occupied by the Appleton Peal, on a ring of bells with a tenor weighing not less than 30½ cwt. That, and that only, will scoop the pool. You see, it was not the Appleton band itself that set the ball a-rolling. They raised no quibbles re weight and time. So, 'Tis theirs not to make reply.' They did, verb. sap. Apologies; I'm again abased.

I do not want to go over old ground, but it is an incontrovertible fact that the peal of Appleton, with all its faults of short notice, and no specially appointed umpire, contained, firstly, more changes than the Loughborough peal. Secondly, its conductor was a man of well-known probity; and I defy contradiction when I say that the two longest peals yet rung contained the two conductors in the kingdom who are most ready to call stand when a suspicion of fault occurs. It is a record as to number of changes and length of time, but not in weight of metal. The Loughborough peal always has been, and is yet a record performance on weight of metal, but it is no longer the peal, par excellence, that it was. More changes have been rung. Again, verb. sap.

And I now come to the only point I don't like in the letters of Mr. Pye and Mr. Willson. They neither of them mention that fact, viz., the greater number of changes. I know William Pye, and I don't criticise his letters or the way they are written. I just look at what he wants to say from an impartial point of view. The words he uses when he puts his views on paper come in with the joint, not with the sweets, and viewed from an unjaundiced aspect, are more filling and to the point than the iced pudding. But one has to add the seasoning, as it were. Loughborough peal is still the greatest performance in the history of ringing. Appleton is now the longest peal yet rung.

The record is divided. Let us, instead of spilling ink and making bad blood, put it together again. Like 'W. W.' I notice the usual crop of letters. They are really the harmless bacilli which come in the train of the germs of all big diseases, and are just about as innocuous. So be like me, William, lean on your Mistress Peppery. Mine is an ever-present help in time of trouble. 'W. W.' you should forgive the poor writers who are too personal, you know they drift into personalities when they really filled their 'plumes reservoirs' with the best of intentions, but don't discourage them. Who knows, perhaps Elder Haggard got his practice for the higher methods in the columns of the old 'B.N. and R.R.'

'W. W.' is correct when he deplors the short notice given for the Appleton peal. Rules must be carried out, if only for the sake of the performers themselves, and they, themselves, indirectly made these rules. Yes, 'W. W.' you did qualify your remark re beating Appleton at the Bell Foundry, and you were not the only prominent ringer who made the same remark. You may have qualified your remark; but if 15 cwt. does not beat 30 cwt., 6½ cwt. can't beat 15. If it can, there is a peal at The Lye. Make two trebles and go there. The whole thing amounts to this: length or number of changes is one thing; weight of metal or 'performance' is another. The two combined is a greater record. Length, as a record, can be rung anywhere, but for stunts, well, go to Exeter if you can unlock the bells again.

In conclusion, may I submit, Mr. Editor, that you are correct when you say that everyone has a right to voice his opinions in your paper? but I think they would spend their Sunday afternoons to

more pleasurable advantage laughing at good Mr. 'W. W.' and my very unworthy self girding at one another's opinions, than in penning the vitriolic effusions we do see from time to time.

Put back the coal scuttle and dust bin lid, good Mistress Peppery. 'Fiddlers Three' is ye next turn on. Your hand, 'W. W.' to kiss.

## THE QUESTION OF WEIGHT.

Sir,—It is more than pleasing to hear of the 'recovery' of Mr. William Willson, and I sincerely hope that he will soon be as fit as ever, but I must advise him to use something more modern and substantial than a battle-axe!

I am sorry for the error re Appleton 9th. As a matter of fact, I was under the impression that two trebles were added and not two tenors, but I think we may take the late Rev. Robinson's book as correct.

This matter of weight is absolutely misleading. Mr. Willson has already done the selfsame thing, and now, when other members go and beat his best performance, he runs into print and criticises their record. You, sir, will no doubt remember the conditions under which the Wigston peal of Double Norwich was rung. Mr. Willson, the composer and conductor, attained the record with a tenor of 14 cwt. Mr. Washbrook did not 'grouse,' because his performance at Kidlington, Oxon. was with a tenor of 23½ cwt. There seems to be no basis for Mr. Willson's argument, and I have no desire to carry this further.—Yours, etc.,

LONDON RINGER.

## RINGERS' ROLL OF HONOUR.

In connection with the decision of the Central Council to place in the Library a permanent record of the names of the ringers of this country who fell in the war, the following letter has been issued to Secretaries of Associations by the Hon. Librarian.

Great assistance will be rendered to Association Secretaries if Secretaries of bands will send in revised lists of their members who made the great sacrifice, so that the roll may be accurately and finally settled.

Broadlands, Grosvenor Road, Caversham, Reading.

Ringers' Roll of Honour.

Dear Sir,—A resolution was passed at the last Central Council meeting at Lincoln to the effect that a list of church bell ringers who fell in the Great War should be prepared from those lists which were read out by the president at the Council meeting at Northampton in 1920, and that the names of such ringers should be suitably written on parchment, and given an honoured place in the library of the Council.

It is important that this list should be complete and accurate, and that a ringer's name should not occur more than once in the list. Will you, therefore, be good enough to revise the enclosed list, and to return to me, as soon as possible, the results of such revision, bearing in mind the following points:—

1. Names should be given either in print, or in imitation printing capital letters.
2. A note should be added to a name, if it is known or believed that the ringer was a member of other associations, together with the names of such associations.

This is for purposes of reference only.

Thus—

SMITH, Cpl. W. H., Rifle Brigade (also College Youths and possibly Devon Guild).

You will, I am sure, understand that it is only by the co-operation of each Association, through its secretary, that a worthy record can be obtained.—Yours truly,

(Signed) C. W. O. JENKYN.

## DEATH OF AN ASSOCIATION SECRETARY.

Members of the Exercise will regret to learn of the death of Mr. J. Johnson, of Stoke, who passed away on August 2nd after many months' illness. He had been hon. secretary of the Stoke Archdiocesan Association for the past 15 years, and was held in high esteem by the members.

The funeral took place on Saturday at Dresden Church, and ringers were present from Stoke, Leek, Burslem, Tunstall and Longton. The service was conducted by the Rev. B. Grimwood (Rector of Keele) who is the clerical secretary and treasurer of the Association.

## TREBLE BOB AT GILMORTON.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—May I inform the band who rang a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at Gilmorton, Leicester, on Saturday, July 29th, 1922, that the first peal of Treble Bob Major was rung on these bells by members of the Warwickshire Guild on December 27th, 1910, conducted by Mr. J. B. Fenton, and was, I believe, the first peal of Major on the bells.—Yours, etc.,

A. ROBERTS.

Stoke, Coventry.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, August 6th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes) in 43 mins.: F. S. Palmer, jun., 1, A. H. Fulwell 2, J. E. Churchill 3, L. H. Page 4, A. Harding 5, H. J. Honnisset 6, F. Goodfellow (conductor) 7, C. Cooper 8.

**BARNES ST. MARY'S.**—On Sunday, August 6th, for evening service, 1260 Stedman Triples, in 43 mins.: M. Jacobs 1, H. Barrett 2, W. Stevens 3 R. Mackrill 4, H. Cook 5, F. Skevington (conductor) 6, C. Hunt 7, H. Rivers 8.

**CHESTER.**—At St. Mary's Within the Walls.—For evening service, Sunday, August 6th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, 1280 changes (by J. Reeves), in 46 mins.: H. Lewis 1, E. Harrison 2, R. Sperring 3, J. W. Davies 4, F. Fox 5, A. Newall 6, G. R. Jones 7, S. Jones, jun. (first in the method as conductor) 8.

**THERAPSTON.**—On Feast Sunday, August 6th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major (1260 changes) in 42 mins.: A. Bellamy 1, J. M. Nickerson 2, C. Wilson 3, D. Redhead 4, A. Wilson 5, T. Wilson 6, F. Kirk 7, R. G. Loveday (conductor) 8. Taken from 'Ringing World,' May 15th, 1921. Composed by J. George.

**WALTHAMSTOW.**—On Sunday, August 6th, at St. Mary's Church, after the evening service, 720 Bob Minor, in 36 mins.: W. H. Freeman 1, H. T. Scarlett 2, J. C. Adams 3, R. Maynard, sen., 4, J. H. Wilkins 5, W. B. Manning (Royston), conductor, 6.

**WATFORD.**—On Sunday, July 30th, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: E. Jones 1, J. R. Picton 2, S. Hoare (Peterborough) 3, H. Hoare 4, E. M. Elliott 5, W. E. Oakley 6, F. Edwards (conductor) 7, W. Hewitt 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a last tribute of respect to the late Countess of Essex and Dr. F. Haycraft Berry.

**IDLE, YORKS.**—On Sunday, July 30th, for morning service, six courses of Double Norwich: H. Buckley 1, G. Duck 2, E. H. Simpson 3, H. Davison 4, R. Umpleby 5, F. Kilshaw 6, W. Feather 7, H. Foster (conductor) 8.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes): E. H. Simpson (conductor) 1, G. Duck 2, E. Davison 3, H. Davison 4, R. Umpleby 5, F. Kilshaw 6, W. Feather 7, H. Foster 8. First quarter-peal by ringers of 2, 3, 6, 7. \* First with bob bell.

**HERTFORD.**—On Sunday, July 30th, at St. Andrew's Church for divine service, 504 Stedman Triples: Miss K. Willers (first 500) 1, R. Dore 2, H. J. Gray 3, V. Neale 4, J. Ladley 5, G. Gray 6, Col. H. Baker (conductor) 7, A. E. Akers 8. Also 288 Kent Treble Bob Major: Miss K. Willers 1, H. J. Gray 2, R. Dore 3, V. Neale 4, A. Wright 5, G. Gray 6, J. Ladley 7, Col. H. Baker (conductor) 8.

**LIVERPOOL.**—At the Church of St. Francis Xavier on Sunday, July 30th, on the occasion of the Eve of the Festival of St. Ignatius, after evensong, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes), in 50 mins.: E. Caunce 1, W. Fisher 2, W. Hughes 3, C. S. Benwell (first in the method) 4, E. Jones 5, T. Hammond, junr. 6, J. Martin (composer and conductor) 7, A. Lindsay 8. Longest length on the bells since restoration.

**NEWBURN, NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.**—At St. Michael and All Angels Church, on Sunday, July 30th, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: A. Leedham 1, J. Oliver 2, T. Colvin 3, J. Lowery 4, H. B. Taylor 5, E. Lowery (conductor) 6. For evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob, by the same ringers and conductor.

**OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Sunday, July 30th, for morning service, 408 Stedman Triples: R. Edwards 1, R. Martin 2, J. Hughes 3, E. Jones (conductor) 4, H. Jarman 5, W. B. Kynaston 6, R. T. Evans 7, E. H. Kynaston 8. For evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: R. Edwards 1, R. Martin 2, P. Cross (Wrexham) 3, W. B. Kynaston 4, H. Jarman 5, E. Jones 6, R. T. Evans (conductor) 7, G. Beaton 8.

**CHERTSEY.**—On Sunday, July 30th, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: Miss L. Stevens 1, H. J. Chaffey 2, Miss N. Shorter 3, Miss N. Stevens 4, G. Warnton 5, J. Crocker 6, J. B. Hessey (conductor) 7, H. R. Stevens 8.

**OXFORD.**—For Divine Service, on Sunday, July 30th, at St. Mary Magdalen, 120 Stedman Doubles: W. H. B. Wilkins (conductor) 1, T. Payne 2, G. R. Newton 3, W. Jeffries 4, W. Harris 5. For evensong, at St. Ebbe, 360 Kent Treble Bob: F. Beckitt 1, W. Harris 2, H. Tolley 3, W. H. B. Wilkins 4, G. R. Newton (conductor) 5, F. Clinkard 6. For evensong, at St. Mary the Virgin, 720 Kent: H. Tolley 1, F. Beckitt 2, G. R. Newton 3, F. Clinkard 4, W. H. B. Wilkins (conductor) 5, W. Harris 6. After evening service, at Headington Parish Church, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: F. Beckitt 1, H. Tolley 2, G. R. Newton 3, W. Harris 4, F. Clinkard 5, W. H. B. Wilkins (conductor) 6. G. R. Newton hails from Liverpool, and the above ringing was as arranged for him.

**SHIPLEY, SUSSEX.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, for morning service, 720 Plain Bob: A. Allen 1, T. Adams 2, G. Warnett 3, H. Warnett, jun., 4, W. Weaver 5, W. Denman (conductor) 6.

**WITHAM, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, July 30th, for evening service, at the Parish Church, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: \*V. Glass 1, A. Shufflebotham (conductor) 2, \*W. Mellin 3, G. F. Williams 4, H. Redgwell 5, \*E. Bright 6. \*First 720 of Cambridge.

**WEST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, for evening service, 720 Plain Bob: W. Weaver 1, T. Adams 2, G. Warnett 3, H. Warnett, jun., 4, W. Denman 5, H. Turrell (conductor) 6.

**PENTRE RHONDDA.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, at St. Peter's Church, for the Sunday School festival, for morning service, 352 Bob Major, 448 Oxford Treble Major.—For afternoon service, 504 Stedman Triples.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Major (1280 changes). The ringers were: H. Page, F. Lashury, G. Cross, H. Davies, T. Hamlin, James Cross, G. Wines, W. Page, T. Page and H. Crabb. The conducting was shared by H. Page, T. Page and J. Cross.

**BECKENHAM, KENT.**—On Sunday, June 18th, for evening service, at St. George's, a quarter-peal, 1280 of Kent Treble Bob Major: T. H. Taffender (conductor) 1, T. W. Taffender, jun., 2, J. S. Hawkins (late of Marlow) 3, E. J. King 4, I. Emery 5, G. Wickins 6, F. Terry 7, W. Smith 8.

## LEEK SURPRISE MAJOR.

BY E. A. RIDGWAY.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
2 1 4 3 5 7 6 8  
1 2 3 4 7 5 8 6  
2 1 4 3 7 8 5 6

2 4 1 3 8 7 6 5  
4 2 3 1 7 8 5 6  
2 4 1 3 7 5 8 6  
4 2 3 1 5 7 6 8

2 4 3 5 1 7 8 6  
4 2 5 3 7 1 6 8  
4 5 2 3 1 7 8 6  
5 4 3 2 7 1 6 8

4 5 2 3 7 6 1 8  
4 2 5 3 6 7 8 1  
2 4 3 5 7 6 1 8  
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 1

3 2 5 4 7 6 8 1  
3 5 2 4 6 7 1 8  
5 3 4 2 7 6 8 1  
5 4 3 2 6 7 1 8

4 5 2 3 6 1 7 8  
5 4 3 2 1 6 8 7  
5 3 4 2 6 1 7 8  
3 5 2 4 1 6 8 7

5 3 2 1 4 6 7 8  
3 5 1 2 6 4 8 7  
5 3 2 1 6 8 4 7  
3 5 1 2 6 8 7 4

3 1 5 2 6 8 4 7  
1 3 2 5 6 4 8 7  
3 1 5 2 4 6 7 8  
1 3 2 5 4 7 6 8

1 3 5 2 7 4 8 6

This is a double method, and has a clean proof scale, so that any peal of Bob Major that will run round true at half-way without the use of Singles, will produce a peal in this method. 4ths place Bob.

## MISCELLANECUS PERFORMANCES.

**MINEHEAD, SOMERSET.**—On Wednesday, June 7th, at the Parish Church, 672 Bob Major: C. Strawbridge 1, S. Mason 2, G. Stacey 3, J. Pugsley 4, F. Dale 5, S. Mason 6, G. Atkins 7, J. H. White (Coventry), conductor, 8. Also 420 Grandsire Triples, conducted by G. Atkins. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to Mr. S. C. Phillips, who met with an accident on the sinking of S.S. 'Egypt,' which caused his death, and was interred at Minehead Cemetery on the above date. On Sunday, June 11th, for evening service, 420 Stedman Triples: W. Hoyle 1, G. Stacey 2, G. Atkins 3, S. Mason 4, F. Dale 5, J. Pugsley 6, J. H. White (conductor) 7, W. Thorne 8.

**TIMBERSCOMBE, SOMERSET.**—On Tuesday, June 13th, at the Parish Church, 720 Bob Minor: H. Phillips 1, W. Hoyle 2, H. Parker 3, S. Farmer 4, G. Stacey 5, J. H. White (Coventry), conductor, 6. Also 120 of Stedman Doubles.

**DEATH OF SIR EDWARD MALINS.****A FRIEND TO ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.**

The death occurred at Birmingham on July 23rd of Sir Edward Malins, the distinguished physician, who passed away at the age of 80 years. Throughout a long and active career he was closely identified with the life of the city. In his profession, he specialised in obstetrics. For many years he was a Professor of the Medical School attached to Birmingham University, and he signalled the termination of his official connection with the University in 1912 by a gift of £1,000 to the University funds. Sir Edward filled many important posts in connection with medical societies, and was a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, London. In 1919 the King conferred upon him the honour of Knighthood in recognition of his services to the profession of medicine and of his public work. Sir Edward was a Justice of the Peace for the County of Warwick and the City of Birmingham, and was for many years actively engaged in educational and social work. He had also been President of the Birmingham Conservative Association. A staunch Churchman, he was for many years identified with St. Philip's Church (now the pro-Cathedral), and served as churchwarden under Bishop Bowlby, Dr. Knox, Canon Carnegie and Bishop Hamilton Baynes.

It was in his capacity as churchwarden that Sir Edward came into touch with the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham, and he was always a welcome guest at the annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner. At these gatherings he frequently proposed the toast of 'Church and State,' and his speech was always of a fresh and instructive nature, delivered in a style which scarcely betrayed his advancing years. On the last occasion an amusing incident occurred. Sir Edward was a keen collector of coins, and to illustrate a point in his speech he brought with him one of the old 'godless' florins (those minted without the letters F.D. in the inscription). Instead of holding up this coin, however, Sir Edward exhibited an ordinary penny, and when, to the amusement of the company, the Chairman afterwards humorously pointed out the error, Sir Edward was with difficulty persuaded that he had made the mistake. Indeed, it is doubtful if he was ever totally convinced of the error.

Sir Edward Malins was keenly interested in St. Martin's Guild, and it was no fault of his that St. Philip's bells were not recast during his churchwardenship. On the Sunday evening following the last Johnson Dinner, despite his eighty years, he climbed the belfry steps of St. Philip's and stayed to watch the ringing and exchange a friendly word with the ringers, who included several visitors to the city.

Sir Edward Malins was a man of great intellect and engaging personality, but a life of great activity spent in the service of the public has now closed. Sir Edward died of cancer, but he bore his sufferings patiently and manfully, and it was typical of his character that he should tell those around him in his closing days that he should die a happy man, and thanked God for having enabled him to spend a happy and useful life, free from previous illness.

The funeral service took place at St. Philip's Cathedral. The Bishop of Birmingham officiated, and among those present were Ald. J. S. Pritchett, Presiding Ringing Master of St. Martin's Guild. The interment was at Edgbaston Parish Church.

On the previous Sunday evening (July 30th) a muffled touch of six courses of Stedman Caters (in the inverted tittums and handstroke home position) was rung at St. Philip's in memory of the deceased gentleman by: J. E. Groves 1. J. E. Smallwood 2. T. Russam 3. M. J. Morris 4. A. Walker (conductor) 5. J. George 6. E. Mansell 7. T. H. Reeves 8. J. Neal 9. G. H. Yendall 10. This was followed by three courses, in which J. Wells and A. E. Norman took part.

On Tuesday, August 1st, a half-muffled peal of Stedman Cinques was rung at St. Martin's.

**DONCASTER & DISTRICT SOCIETY.**

A most successful meeting of the above society took place at Campsall on Saturday, July 22nd. Over 40 members were present, representing 12 towers. The methods rung during the day were: Grandsire, Stedman, St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich. Tea was partaken of in the park, the tables being spread beneath the trees. The Rev. W. Able Turner presided at the business meeting, and was heartily thanked for his services and for the use of the bells.

Some courses of Grandsire were rung on the handbells, and a group photograph of the visitors was taken. The Vicar conducted the party round his gardens and also round the extensive grounds of Campsall, the latter by kind permission of the squire, Mr. G. Cooke-Yarborough.

The tower at Campsall was built about 1166, and is a splendid example of Norman work. As one enters the churchyard the beautiful west door of the tower strikes the eye as being the most interesting part of the tower. There is a ring of eight bells, the octave having been completed about 43 years ago.

**NOTICES.**

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**  
—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Staplehurst on Saturday, August 12th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea in the Parish Room after service, followed by business meeting.—W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.  
—The Monthly meeting will be held at Christ Church, West Didsbury, on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready at 4 o'clock. Meeting 7 p.m.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—A meeting will be held at Kirkham (8 bells) on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30. Visitors welcomed.—C. Sharples, 3, Rutland Gate, North Promenade, Blackpool.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—A Quarterly meeting of the District will be held at Kingstone on Saturday, August 12th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea (Bullring) 6 p.m.—C. Edwards, Dis. Sec., Great Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.  
—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, August 12th, at St. Luke's, Heywood. Bells ready at 3. Meeting, 6.30. A good attendance is requested.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Highworth on Saturday, August 12th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30.—R. W. Hyner, Hon. Sec., 42, Brunswick Street, Swindon, Wilts.

**BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.** — A Meeting will be held at Crofton, near Wakefield, on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready early, in splendid order.—A cordial invitation is offered to all ringers.—C. D. Potter, Sec.

**ALREWS PARISH CHURCH, STAFFORDSHIRE.**—Dedication of new bells, eight in number, Saturday, August 12th, 1922, 5.15 p.m.—Peals will be rung by men from Loughborough (Messrs. John Taylor and Co., Bell Founders).

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Hale on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on August 17th and 31st; Southwark Cathedral on the 15th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 22nd; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 24th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards. — William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Aylsham District.—A practice meeting will be held at Cromer on Thursday, August 17th. By kind permission of the Vicar the ring of six bells will be available from 5.30 to 8 p.m.—Arthur L. Coleman, Secretary, High Croft, North Walsham.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Seend on Saturday, August 19th. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. Short business meeting, 5.30.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Waldron on Saturday, August 19th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at the Memorial Hall at 5 p.m. (1s. per head). Will those intending to be present kindly inform me by Wednesday, August 16th?—Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. Div. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, August 19th. Bells (8) available from noon. Service at 3.45 p.m. Tea at 4.30 at 1/6 per head in the Barn Room, to those who notify Mr. R. Thompson, Co-op. Villas, Hatfield, near Doncaster, by August 16th. All ringers heartily welcomed.—A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A Ringing meeting will be held at Brown Edge on Saturday, August 19th. Please notify me on or before August 13th, how many intend to be present from your tower.—Edward Steele, 109, George Street, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Grimsby District.—Meeting will be held at Barton-on-Humber on Saturday, August 19th. Please write to Mr. A. W. Hoodless, 11, Holydyke, Barton, for tea. All ringers welcome.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Calne Branch.—A meeting will be held at Calne on Saturday, August 19th, and not at Clyffe as previously arranged. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m.—S. L. R. Sharp, Hon. Sec., Calne.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the Bristol Branch of the above Association will be held at Iron Acton on Saturday, August 19th. Bells available from 3 p.m.; service 4.30. Tea to follow at the White Hart. Please notify Mr. H. T. Howell by Aug. 14th, 77, Summerhill Road, St. George, Bristol.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday,

August 19th, by permission of the Rev. F. Marriott, Vicar. Members will be entertained to tea by the Vicar after service. Tower open at 3 p.m., also St. Mary's, by permission of the Rev. James, Vicar. Will members kindly let me know by the 14th all who intend to be present?—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Next meeting will be held on Saturday, August 19th, at Waltham Abbey (12). Ringing from 4 to 8 p.m. Business meeting after. Tea obtainable opposite. Master and Secretary will leave Liverpool Street by 2.58 from G.F.R., and will be glad to meet all who intend coming by same. Hearty welcome to all.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Secretary, 57, Market Street, W.2.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wombourne on Saturday, August 19th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Guild service in church with an address by the Vicar, Rev. H. L. Langley, at 4.30. Tea at Mr. Walker's Tea Rooms at 5.15; business meeting following. Subscription for 1922, 6d. per member, now due. Will those requiring tea kindly notify the Secretary by August 15th latest? All bellringers heartily invited.—Fred Colclough, Hon. Sec., Earl Street, Bilston.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A monthly meeting of this branch will be held at Peckleton on Saturday, Aug. 19th. Bells, Peckleton (6) and Kirkby Mallory (5) available 3.30. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The next monthly meeting of the Guild will be held at Dunchurch on Saturday, August 19th. Bells available from 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. General Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**SALOP GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at Oswestry, Saturday, August 19th. Ringing, 2.30, followed by short service and meeting. Tea at 6 at The Castle Restaurant, if ordered before 14th, from Hon. Sec., Rev. F. Tennison, St. Alkmund's Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Huish Episcopi on Saturday, Aug. 19th. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock for those giving early notice; meeting to follow. Langport and Muchelvey bells available.—F. Farrant, Hon. Local Sec., North Street, Martock.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Arborfield on Saturday, August 19th, from 6 till 9 p.m.—Jos. White.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, August 19th, at Roxton and Great Barford. Bells available, 2.30 at Roxton, 6 p.m. at Barford. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome.—C. J. Ball, District Sec., 2, Kemptford Road, Sandy, Beds.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m. Bishopsgate, August 28th. St. Clement Danes, August 21st. Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th at 5.15 p.m. Send your name in for the Summer outing on Saturday, Sept. 9th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Stanton on Saturday, August 26th. Service at 5 p.m. prompt. Tea for those who send me their names by the Tuesday previous.—J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The annual branch meeting will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, August 26th. Bells ready at 3. Tea, 1/6 each, 5.30; meeting following. All ringers and friends invited. Will those intending to be present kindly inform J. Houldsworth, 33, Margaret Street, Oswaldtwistle, not later than August 23rd?—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A district meeting will be held of the Halesworth branch of the Association at Halesworth on Saturday, August 26th. Tea will be served at the Swan Hotel at 1/6 per head. All those who wish to have tea please notify Secretary not later than Wednesday, August 23rd. The rings of 5 bells of the parishes of Wissett and Chedeston will also be available.—W. Kerrison, Dist. Sec., Wissett.

**ARKSEY, DONCASTER.**—A combined practice has been arranged at this tower, every second Saturday in the month. All visitors welcome.—G. Clark, Sec.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mrs. Day and family return many thanks to friends of the ringing world from far and near, who have shown such great respect to the memory of the late Mr. F. Day by presence at funeral, sending letters of sympathy and floral tributes, and by muffled peal ringing, especially in East Anglia.—Wellington Road, Eye, Suffolk.

#### AN OXFORDSHIRE TRIP.

The St. Giles' Society, Reading, had their annual outing on Saturday, August 5th, when ringers and lady friends, numbering 28 in all, left Reading at 7.30 a.m. by charabanc for Bampton, Oxon, an ancient market town in an agricultural district. It was the birthplace of John Phillips, a poet of the seventeenth century, well known as the author of 'The Splendid Shilling.' The party arrived about 10.30, and were very agreeably surprised to find an old and faithful friend, Mr. John Monk, from Witney, awaiting them, he having come on purpose to be their guide during the day. The church of Bampton, a fine old building of much interest, dates from the Early Norman or possibly the Saxon period. The beautiful peal of eight bells (tenor 25 cwt.), the 'go' of which leaves nothing to be desired, were soon going to the tune of Stedman Triples, and this was followed by touches of Grandsire, Bob Major, Oxford Treble Bob and Double Norwich, which were successfully brought round, the striking being excellent. After this, dinner was very much appreciated, the long drive having whetted the appetites of the excursionists.

Witney, of blanket fame, was then the objective, and was reached after a pleasant drive of six miles. A move was soon made towards the church, another most beautiful building; with a fine peal of bells, tenor 18 cwt. Here again some very good touches were rung, including Grandsire Stedman and Bob Major. Mr. J. Monk explained all the points of interest in the church, and there were to be seen some splendid marbled peal tablets in the ringing chamber, recording peals of interest. After tea, the party proceeded to South Leigh, which was reached after a pleasant ride of about four miles. Here is a splendid light ring of eight (tenor 10 cwt.),

by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, which are rung from the ground floor. The tone of them, for a small ring, is much to be admired. Here again some excellent touches were rung. The conducting during the day was shared by Messrs. J. Barnes, jun., R. N. Runham, L. T. Osborne and A. W. Osborne.

Taking to the motor again, the party set out for home, and at Eynsham had to part with their 'old friend John,' whose company they regretted to lose. He was accorded a hearty cheer for his services, and then the car sped on through Oxford to Reading, which was reached about 10.30 p.m. The weather was perfect for a ringing tour, and the party wish, through the medium of 'The Ringing World,' to thank all the incumbents and ringing friends for placing the bells at their disposal. And last, but certainly not least, Mr. Monk, who really did more towards the day's enjoyment than anyone.

## ALFRED BOWELL, CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

➔ GREAT REDUCTIONS. ➔

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,  
COVENTRY.**

#### PUBLICATION.

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF  
LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton,  
Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to  
XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers  
I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in  
cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair  
Home, Wokingham.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. AGGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells.—Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½ in. 2¾ in. 3¼ in. 3½ in. 4 in. 4½ in. 5 in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 75/- 95/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

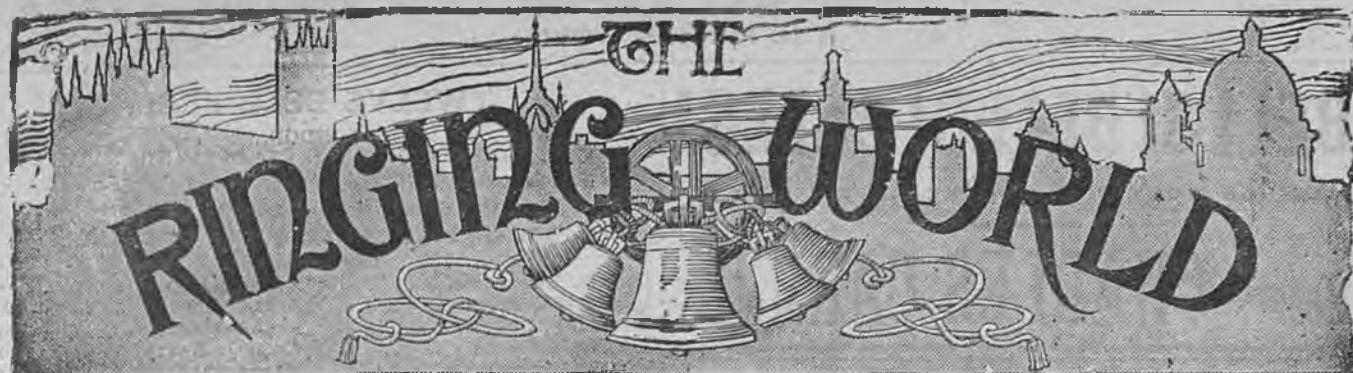
In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING **WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Bells House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 596. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18th, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### THE RINGERS' 'ROLL OF HONOUR.'

No time has been lost by the Hon. Librarian of the Central Council in taking steps to make the Ringers' 'Roll of Honour' accurate and complete, so that it may eventually be engrossed and placed in the Council's Library. As will have been seen from our last issue, a circular has been issued to Association Secretaries asking for revised lists, and these are already being sent in. The object of the roll is to place on permanent record the names of those ringers who gave up their lives in the war, and much of its value will lie in its accuracy. For that reason the Librarian has asked for certain particulars of the men, but, as at present proposed, it is only intended to insert in the list the names of the fallen. In a matter of this kind, which involves a considerable amount of labour, and is certainly not devoid of difficulties, we hesitate to suggest anything beyond what those who are responsible for the work believe to be practicable, but we hope at any rate that the parish or tower, to which each of the fallen men belonged will be added after the respective names. This would make the roll a much more complete record, for it would enable future generations not only to read a list of names, which would convey little except by its length, but would serve to identify the men who went out from our belfries to return not again.

We are not unmindful of the difficulties which may be involved in carrying out this suggestion, but we think our readers will agree with us that the cause is more than worthy of the necessary effort. The Council's roll of honour will be the only list comprising the names of the fallen ringers of the whole country and, while the work is being undertaken, it is highly desirable that it should contain sufficient information to identify the men with the parishes in which they served as ringers. In any event, a list cannot be correctly compiled without reference to tower secretaries and we do not think Association officials, in a matter of this kind, will begrudge the extra work which may be necessary to transmit the additional information to the Librarian. The greatest trouble arises with those local secretaries who cannot be stirred up to send any information at all, and these will increase the difficulties of making the roll complete whether the name of a parish is added or not. Moreover, information is already asked for which will enable duplication of names to be avoided as far as possible, and the amplification of the details in the manner we suggest would be of great assistance in this direction. It would certainly add to the interest and value of the roll. We hope it is not too late for this suggestion to be considered and acted upon if found to be feasible. We believe that it is practicable and that the Association Secretaries would willingly give their aid.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway),

Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD, SHOREDITCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 28½ cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS ... .. Treble	RICHARD BEVAN ... .. 7
BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... .. 2	ALFRED KING ... .. 8
HAROLD P. BURTON ... .. 3	FRANK SMITH ... .. 9
ARTHUR N. HARDY ... .. 4	CECIL J. MATTHEWS ... .. 10
THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 5	HARRY SEAR ... .. 11
GEORGE HOLLIS ... .. 6	JOHN MOULE ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLY. Conducted by J. D. MATTHEWS.

Specially arranged for Mr. George Hollis, of Chesterfield, an old member of the Society, who was on a visit to London after an absence of 20 years.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

TOM TEBBUTT ... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. SAWFORD ... 6
E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. 2	WILLIAM RODGERS ... .. 7
*MATTHIAS HOBBS ... .. 3	CHARLES W. BIRD ... .. 8
BERTIE O. SODEN ... .. 4	FRED WILFORD ... .. 9
†JACK SADDINGTON ... .. 5	REV. CYRIL W. O. JENKYN Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Treble Ten. First peal of Royal on the bells. Rung to celebrate the marriage of Mr. Robert F. Turner, a local ringer, who has been Secretary of the Kettering District of the above Association for many years.

MINEHEAD, SOMERSET.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

FRED ATWELL ... .. Treble	*ERNEST STITCH ... .. 6
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 2	HENRY WEST ... .. 7
WILLIAM B. BISS ... .. 3	WILLIAM BOLTON ... .. 8
CHARLES GREEDY ... .. 4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 9
WILLIAM HEATH ... .. 5	SEYMOUR R. BARKER ... Tenor

Composed by JAMES GEORGE. Conducted by FRED CHAMBERLAIN.

\* First peal of Caters.

EPSOM, SURREY.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY)

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt. 0 qr. 2 lb. in E.

ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. Treble	AMOS CLARK ... .. 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	†JOSEPH S. HAWKINS ... .. 7
FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 3	JAMES BULLOCK ... .. 8
HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... 4	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 9
*EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 5	FRANCIS E. DAWE ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN COX. Conducted by FRANCIS EDWARD DAWE.

\* First peal of Caters. † First attempt for a peal on ten bells. This is the quickest peal on the bells. Mr. Dawe has now called a peal in this, his favourite method, from every bell in a ring of eight, ten and twelve. The Rev. Waldegrave Bainbridge Bell, Vicar, visited the belfry and cordially welcomed the visitors, heartily wishing them success. The head ringer, Mr. P. Cooper, kindly had everything in readiness.

IFFLEY, OXON.—On Saturday, July 22nd, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Miss S. Davis 1, J. Honey 2, Mrs. A. E. Lock 3, T. Payne 4, A. E. Lock (conductor) 5, G. Caudwell 6.

GREAT YARMOUTH, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH ST EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 30 cwt.

ERNEST J. NEWELL ... .. Treble	FREDK. H. DEXTER ... .. 6
FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... .. 2	HARRY WRIGHT ... .. 7
GEORGE CLAYTON ... .. 3	BEN S. THOMPSON ... .. 8
WILLIAM LEE ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 9
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. 5	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDK. H. DEXTER. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

First peal of Treble Ten by the ringers of treble, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 7th. Messrs. E. J. Newell and F. H. Dexter were proposed members of the Association prior to commencing the peal.

MAIDSTONE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt. in D.

THOMAS MANNERING ... .. Treble	CHARLES MILLWAY ... .. 6
WILLIAM SPICE, SEN. ... .. 2	ERNEST J. DOBBIE ... .. 7
CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M.L.I. 3	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... .. 8
LEONARD MANNERING ... .. 4	STANLEY B. DOBBIE ... .. 9
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 5	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDK. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

GEORGE ORCHARD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM LANCASTER ... .. 6
THOMAS BALDWIN ... .. 2	SYDNEY HICKS ... .. 7
ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 3	ALFRED HANNIS ... .. 8
WILLIAM HASTINGS ... .. 4	JOHN BALLINGER ... .. 9
CHARLES GARDINER ... .. 5	FRANK COLE ... .. Tenor

Composed by ERNEST MORRIS. Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.  
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Aug. 10, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 37½ cwt.

*GEORGE A. PICKERING ... Treble	*JOHN FOREMAN ... .. 6
*JOSEPH ROWELL ... .. 2	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 7
*RICHARD THOMPSON ... .. 3	*BENJAMIN C. DIXON ... .. 8
ASA HOLMES ... .. 4	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. 9
WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 5	ERNEST E. FERRY ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

\* First peal of Royal. First peal in the method on the bells and by all the band except the conductor. Rung as a farewell peal to Mr. B. C. Dixon, who is leaving the district for Spain. Rung after meeting short for Maximus.

LONDON.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Clement Danes, Strand,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5030 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt. in E flat.

FRANCIS E. DAVE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... .. 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	JOSEPH S. HAWKINS ... .. 7
ARTHUR J. NEALE ... .. 3	THOMAS WALKER ... .. 8
HORACE BELCHER ... .. 4	HARRY MANCE ... .. 9
WALTER G. MATTHEWS ... .. 5	GEORGE A. CARD ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.  
This peal was rung immediately after the wedding, at the above church, of Mr. Arthur D. Barker, General Secretary of the London County Association, to Miss Gladys E. Bateman, Assistant Secretary.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

CHIPPENHAM.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Aug. 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paul,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

*A. HULL ... .. Treble	*C. LOVEGROVE ... .. 5
T. DANIELS ... .. 2	S. WILTSHIRE ... .. 6
A. KNIGHT ... .. 3	E. PERRY ... .. 7
†E. TRUMAN ... .. 4	M. MERRETT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by S. WILTSHIRE.

\* First peal. † First peal 'inside.'

ASHTED, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Aug. 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Giles,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;

WILLIAM COOK ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. CORBETT ... .. 5
JOHN WYATT ... .. 2	GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 6
JOHN BEAMS ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
GEORGE COOK ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. CROSS. Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble.

FULNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Aug. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paul,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt in F.

GEORGE LADD ... .. Treble	HORACE M. DAY ... .. 5
JOHN T. BROWN ... .. 2	ARTHUR RIGGALL ... .. 6
JOHN G. AMES ... .. 3	JOHN A. FREEMAN ... .. 7
ARTHUR J. FARR ... .. 4	JOHN W. WOOD ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by JOHN W. WOOD.

CAYTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Vincent,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt.

SIDNEY PROCTOR ... .. Treble	WILLIAM KIRTON ... .. 5
*HARRY SQUIRES ... .. 2	EDMUND MOUNTER ... .. 6
*HARRY HAYNES ... .. 3	ARTHUR WARD ... .. 7
†HARRY PROCTOR ... .. 4	THOMAS HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by SIDNEY PROCTOR.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal of Grandsire 'inside.'

HORSHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

ALFRED J. BULL ... .. Treble	ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 2	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 6
ALFRED W. GROVES ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

STOKE, COVENTRY.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 13½ cwt.

FRANK PERVIN ... .. Treble	*THOMAS HASTINGS ... .. 5
OSWALD J. HUNT ... .. 2	EDWARD H. JOHNSON ... .. 6
ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... .. 3	JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. SMITH ... .. 4	WILLIAM CLEMENTS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. PERVIN.

\* First peal with a bob bell.



**BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
 (BLACKBURN AND PRESTON BRANCHES.)

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

BROOKS' VARIATION.		Tenor 12½ cwt.	
TOM STANCLIFFE ... ..	Treble	JOHN WATSON ... ..	5
*FRED RIGBY ... ..	2	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... ..	6
FRED CHAMBERS ... ..	3	FRED BRADLEY ... ..	7
ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN ... ..	4	*JOHN GARTSIDE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by F. BRADLEY.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt. First peal and first attempt as conductor.

**BARROW GURNEY, SOMERSET.**  
**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND EDMUND,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.		Tenor 16 cwt.	
THOMAS GRIFFIN ... ..	Treble	ERNEST PALMER ... ..	5
*GERALD GRIFFIN ... ..	2	WALTER FARLEY ... ..	6
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... ..	3	JOHN JEFFRIES ... ..	7
SIDNEY ABRAHAM ... ..	4	†HENRY BABB ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

\* First peal of Triples. † First peal.

**WRAXHALL, SOMERSET.**  
**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23½ cwt.	
HENRY PRING ... ..	Treble
*EDGAR GUISE ... ..	2
MISS PHYLLIS HARE... ..	3
RICHARD CLARK... ..	4
ALBERT E. STOWELL ... ..	5
ALFRED E. REEVES ... ..	6
JOHN A. BURFORD ... ..	7
WILLIAM A. CAVE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by JAMES HUNT. Conducted by WILLIAM A. CAVE.

\* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells.

**ROMFORD, ESSEX.**  
**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt.	
ARTHUR CHAPLIN ... ..	Treble
WILLIAM MILLER ... ..	2
ALFRED PYE ... ..	3
*CYRIL PEASE ... ..	4
GEORGE R. PYE ... ..	5
WILLIAM KEEBLE ... ..	6
HAROLD CLARKE ... ..	7
WILLIAM PYE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

\* First peal in the method. Cyril Pease is 18 years of age, and this was only his second Surprise peal and first attempt for London. First peal on the bells since rehousing.

**BARTON-ON-HUMBER, LINCOLNSHIRE.**  
**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

DEXTER'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.	
JOHN W. SEAMER ... ..	Treble
WALTER AYRE ... ..	2
*JOHN B. BUDD ... ..	3
REDVERS ELKINGTON ... ..	4
THOMAS VALLANCE ... ..	5
HAROLD J. POOLE ... ..	6
*ARTHUR W. HOODLESS ... ..	7
*WALTER GODDARD ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by H. J. POOLE.

\* First peal of Stedman. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. W. E. Varah, the wife of the Vicar, and for the 1,253rd anniversary of the dedication of the church. The ringers of the treble and 3rd hail from Grimsby, 4th, 5th and 6th from Leicester, 7th and tenor belong to the local company. The ringer of the 2nd was on a visit to his native place.

**OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF LANCASHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11½ cwt.	
WILLIAM BARNES ... ..	Treble
MISS M. HOULDSWORTH ... ..	2
MISS ELLEN SHAW ... ..	3
JAMES SHAW... ..	4
ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH ... ..	5
JONATHAN WHEWELL... ..	6
JAMES HOULDSWORTH... ..	7
WILLIAM RILEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. MARTIN.

Conducted by J. HOULDSWORTH.

This method, by A. Craven, is now rung for the first time. Rung by the local company.

**MONMOUTH, MONMOUTHSHIRE.**  
**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.	
*ALFRED T. POULTON... ..	Treble
ROBERT RICHARDSON ... ..	2
MISS PHYLLIS HARE... ..	3
MISS ANNIE PARKINS ... ..	4
SYDNEY T. RACKHAM ... ..	5
WILLIAM POSTON... ..	6
EX-SGT. J. WILLIAMS... ..	7
JOHN CLARK ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE.

Conducted by R. RICHARDSON.

\* First peal of Major. This is believed to be the first peal of Major on the bells.

**CALDICOT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.**  
**THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt. 0 qr. 6 lb.	
GEORGE WATTS ... ..	Treble
THOMAS A. FORD... ..	2
SAMUEL JONES ... ..	3
FREDERICK R. BELTON ... ..	4
GODFREY L. STAFFORD ... ..	5
PERCIVAL H. STAFFORD ... ..	6
WILLIAM PHILLIPS ... ..	7
ARTHUR LEWIS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by SAMUEL JONES.

**HITCHIN, HERTS.**  
**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 28 cwt.	
*HERBERT ELSE ... ..	Treble
*CHARLES V. HARE ... ..	2
HERBERT E. DAY ... ..	3
HENRY S. REEVES ... ..	4
*GEORGE WOLFE... ..	5
JOHN T. KENTISH ... ..	6
LEONARD FIDLER ... ..	7
†GEORGE T. CROFT ... ..	Tenor

Composed by GEORGE H. CROSS. Conducted by GEORGE T. CROFT.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal of Double Norwich as conductor.

**EARLS COLNE, ESSEX.**  
**THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.	
WALTER SADLER... ..	Treble
JAMES FLEETY ... ..	2
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM... ..	3
FRANK CLAYDON ... ..	4
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... ..	5
WILLIAM ELLIOTT ... ..	6
WILLIAM KEEBLE ... ..	7
ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

**EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.**  
**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
 AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.	
THOMAS J. SALTER ... ..	Treble
ARTHUR K. GOWER ... ..	2
ERNEST GOWER ... ..	3
ALFRED C. PANKHURST ... ..	4
GEORGE W. STOKES ... ..	5
EDWARD W. BRAY ... ..	6
KEITH HART... ..	7
EDWARD G. BABER ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

DAVENTRY, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANCES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

HERBERT RAINBOW ... .. Treble	WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. 5
JOHN W. CHANDLER ... .. 2	JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. 6
TOM TEBBUTT ... .. 3	HENRY BLUNDELL ... .. 7
WALTER MALINS ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by W. J. ALLEN.

First peal of Major on the bells. The ringers of 2nd and 4th hail from Rugby and were proposed members of the Association previous to the peal. The rest of the band are from Northampton, and the thanks of all are due to the Rector for so readily granting permission to ring, and also to Mr. A. Moore for having everything ready.

GREAT GRIMSBY.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Aug. 10, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

HAROLD RUSHEY ... .. Treble	JOHN B. BUDD ... .. 5
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 2	FRED METCALFE ... .. 6
REDVERS ELKINGTON ... .. 3	JOHN W. SEAMER ... .. 7
ALONZA W. LONG ... .. 4	WALTER AYRE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by JOHN W. SEAMER.

First peal in the method by all except the ringers of the 2nd and tenor. First peal in the method on the bells and in Grimsby.

FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*WILLIAM RICHES ... .. Treble	CHARLES CUTTING ... .. 5
*ROBERT RICHES ... .. 2	ERNEST WHITING ... .. 6
JAMES BOUGHTON ... .. 3	FREDERICK BORRETT ... .. 7
*JOHN ETHERIDGE ... .. 4	ALBERT RICHES ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. J. BRIERLY. Conducted by F. BORRETT.

\* First peal in the method.

HACKINGTON, CANTERBURY.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 11 cwt.

*FRANK JENKINS ... .. Treble	EDWIN G. BOESDEN ... .. 5
FREDERICK G. BRETT ... .. 2	*GEORGE F. SIMPSON ... .. 6
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE ... .. 3	CHARLES W. BRETT ... .. 7
MAURICE SMITH ... .. 4	*GEORGE G. JENKINS ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by E. G. BOESDEN.

\* First peal of Major. Mr. Smith hails from Banbury, and was elected a member before starting for the peal.

BRITH, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5038 CHANCES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

HERBERT A. HOLDEN ... .. Treble	JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. ... .. 2	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	GEORGE H. DAVNES ... .. 7
ISAAC EMERY ... .. 4	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

First peal of Cambridge on the bells, and by the treble and 7th. First peal of Surprise as conductor.

CHERITON, KENT.—At St. Martin's Church, 720 Bob Minor: W. Beal 1, F. Slingsby 2, E. R. Warner 3, A. Higgins 4, S. Baker 5, W. Stanford (conductor) 6.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*WILLIAM PALMER ... .. Treble	WALTER ALLWOOD ... .. 5
*JOHN THORPE ... .. 2	CHARLES MASON ... .. 6
WILLIAM LAMBERT ... .. 3	*SYDNEY F. PALMER ... .. 7
ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 4	JOHN FLINT ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

\* First peal in the method. The conductor's 100th peal on the bells.

DITCHHEAT, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 24½ cwt.

JOHN THOMAS ... .. Treble	JOHN H. B. HESSE ... .. 5
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 2	JAMES HUNT ... .. 6
JESSE B. TYLER ... .. 3	WALTER FARLEY ... .. 7
PERCY MERSON ... .. 4	ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

First peal of Stedman on the bells. Mr. A. H. Pulling was proposed a member before starting.

BOTTESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE FRAMLAND SOCIETY.

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 27 cwt.

MARK BEND ... .. Treble	ARTHUR W. WARD ... .. 5
*JOHN R. JACKSON ... .. 2	*R. CECIL BLAKEY ... .. 6
JOHN W. KIRTON ... .. 3	SIDNEY PROCTOR ... .. 7
WILLIAM G. THORPE ... .. 4	THOMAS H. HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by SIDNEY PROCTOR.

\* First peal of Triples. Rung in honour of Mr. R. C. Blakey's 21st birthday.

OLDSWINFORD, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

HARRY PRICE ... .. Treble	JOHN SMITH ... .. 5
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... .. 2	*JOSEPH DAVIES ... .. 6
JOHN BASS ... .. 3	WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 7
SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal of London Surprise. This was the conductor's 300th peal.

The following peals were rung during a visit to towers in and around London:—

LONDON.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5103 CHANCES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. NODDS ... .. 6
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... .. 2	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 7
*CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... .. 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 8
MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 4	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... .. 9
CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. 5	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. Mr. Symonds was re-elected a member of the Association previous to starting. E E E

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Tuesday, Aug. 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... Treble	WILLIAM E. JUDD ... 5
GEORGE M. KILBY ... 2	THOMAS NEWMAN ... 6
WALTER G. MATTHEWS ... 3	CECIL V. EBBERSON ... 7
FRANK BENNETT ... 4	PERCIVAL W. NORTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

EALING, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Aug. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At Christ Church,

### A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE E. HARBOUR ... Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... 5
WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... 2	JAMES E. DAVIS ... 6
WILLIAM HENLEY ... 3	CECIL V. EBBERSON ... 7
HAROLD P. JAMES ... 4	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

First peal of Cambridge on the bells.

LEWISHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Thursday, Aug. 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt.

CHARLES H. WALKER ... Treble	HARRY WARNETT ... 5
JOHN J. LAMB ... 2	FRANK BENNETT ... 6
EDWIN BARNETT ... 3	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... 7
ISAAC EMERY ... 4	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

HESTON, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Leonard,

### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... Treble	FRANK I. HAIRS ... 5
MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... 2	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD 6
FRANK BENNETT ... 3	WILLIAM HENLEY ... 7
WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... 4	WILLIAM WELLING ... Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by WILLIAM WELLING.

First peal in the method as conductor.

BUSHEY, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. James,

### A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM SEELEY ... Treble	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW... 5
MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... 2	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 6
FRANK BENNETT ... 3	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD 7
MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT... 4	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by M. F. R. HIBBERT.

\* First peal of Cambridge 'inside.' First peal of Cambridge as conductor.

ALDENHAM, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM SEELEY ... Treble	FRANK I. HAIRS ... 5
HUBERT EDEN ... 2	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 6
ARTHUR W. DIX ... 3	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD 7
FRANK BENNETT ... 4	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDER. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

DENVER, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb. in A flat.

WALLACE COUSINS ... Treble	BERT GOGLE... 4
*ALFRED BACON ... 2	TONY PRICE ... 5
FRED WIGMORE... 3	CLAUDE COUSINS... Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

\* First peal in three methods.

WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Double Oxford and Single Oxford Bob (spliced), and 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court and Bob Minor. Tenor 14 cwt.

ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... Treble	WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... 4
FREDERICK WADE ... 2	GEORGE LEE... 5
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

First peal in eight methods on the bells and by all the band except the ringer of the 4th, for whom the peal was arranged. Quickest peal on the bells.

WOODHOUSE EAVES, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paul,

### A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM THORLEIGH ... Treble	*JOSEPH SQUIRE ... 4
*WILLIAM NEWMANS ... 2	HARRY WHITTLE ... 5
ALAN JACQUES ... 3	HARRY HAYNES ... Tenor

Conducted by HARRY WHITTLE.

\* First peal. Ringers of 2nd, 3rd, 4th and tenor belong to the local band and were elected members previous to starting for the peal.

MORETON-ON-LUGG, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 1040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores in ten different callings.

Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb. in B flat.

*IVOR J. RAWLINGS ... Treble	*ARCHIE D. PROBERT... 4
*WILLIAM C. JONES ... 2	IVOR E. PROBERT ... 5
WILLIAM WILLIAMS... 3	*WILLIAM DAVIES ... Tenor

Conducted by I. E. PROBERT.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells. First peal for ringers of 3rd and 5th away from the tenor in Triples. Rung at the first attempt. All the ringers hail from Burghill.

MARKET DEEPING, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Guthlac,

### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Bob Minor, Double Oxford, Double Court, and two each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM TILLEY... Treble	ARTHUR RIGGALL... 4
GEORGE LADD ... 2	JOHN A. FREEMAN ... 5
JOSEPH LONDON ... 3	HORACE M. DAY ... Tenor

Conducted by HORACE M. DAY.

Quickest peal on the bells. This peal was arranged for John A. Freeman, who was on a visit to his native town.

HARESFIELD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
On Sunday, Aug. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE & ST. DUNSTAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES:**

FRANK COLE ... .. Treble	THOMAS PRICE ... .. 4
GEORGE ORCHARD ... .. 2	† EDWARD PREEDY ... .. 5
ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 3	* WILLIAM JONES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

\* First peal. † First peal 'inside.'

CHURCHKIRK.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's.

W. HINDLE ... .. Treble	* J. MARSH ... .. 4
L. ROSTRON ... .. 2	A. INGHAM ... .. 5
F. HOLLINS ... .. 3	L. J. WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by L. J. WILLIAMS.

\* First peal and proposed a member of the Association before starting.

MITCHAM, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Aug. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 7 cwt. in B flat.

* JAMES E. COOPER ... .. Treble	ALFRED H. VINCH ... .. 4
REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 2	* DANIEL COOPER ... .. 5
ALFRED MILLER ... .. 3	* CHAS. H. KIPPIN, JUN. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES H. KIPPIN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. C. H. Reading, Assistant Secretary of the above Association. First peal as conductor. \* First peal of Minor.

**SIX HUNDRED PEALS.**

MR. J. E. DAVIS'S LIST.

The following is the list of Mr. J. E. Davis's 600 peals, of which 125 have been rung at St. John's, Waterloo Road, London, and the remainder in 151 other towers:—

	Rung.	Conducted.
On five bells (3 methods) ... .. 1	—	—
Grandsire Triples ... .. 24	6	—
Grandsire Major ... .. 1	—	—
Grandsire Caters ... .. 16	—	—
Stedman Triples ... .. 50	—	—
Stedman Caters ... .. 77	29	—
Stedman Cinques ... .. 27	—	—
Treble Bob Major ... .. 36	13	—
Treble Bob Royal ... .. 30	16	—
Treble Bob Maximus ... .. 4	—	—
Double Norwich Major ... .. 136	81	—
Double Norwich Royal ... .. 1	—	—
Real Double Norwich Major ... .. 2	—	—
Forward Major ... .. 1	1	—
Forward Royal ... .. 1	—	—
Duffield Major ... .. 1	1	—
Duffield Royal ... .. 1	—	—
Double Oxford Bob Major ... .. 1	—	—
Plain Bob Major ... .. 8	—	—
Plain Bob Maximus ... .. 1	—	—
Waterloo Reverse Bob Major ... .. 1	—	—
London Surprise Major ... .. 10	—	—
Bristol Surprise Major ... .. 24	2	—
New Cumberland Surprise Major ... .. 5	—	—
Brighton Surprise Major ... .. 1	—	—
Norfolk Surprise Major ... .. 9	3	—
Superlative Surprise Major ... .. 47	7	—
New Cambridge Surprise Major ... .. 5	2	—
Cambridge Surprise Major ... .. 49	13	—
Cambridge Surprise Royal ... .. 23	3	—
Cambridge Surprise Maximus ... .. 7	—	—
Total ... .. 600	177	—

\* Including Holt's Original rung non-conducted.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

THE  
LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,

32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.



ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

for

Rerasting, Retuning and Rehanging.

**HANDBELLS**

In Sets of any number.

BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The peal of six at Forton, Salop, are being rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, who are also rehanging the eight at Ruilip, Middlesex, and recasting the 4th, 5th and tenor.

The second peal of Stedman Caters on record was rung on August 23rd, 1788, at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, by the Royal Cumberland Youths, in whose peal book it is recorded as 'a true peal of 5,184 Grandsire Caters on Stedman's principle, in 3 hrs. 47 mins., being the second peal ever performed in that method.'

Mr. F. E. Dawe set the seal to a unique performance on Bank Holiday, when, by calling a peal of Stedman Caters from the tenor at Epsom, he completed a peal of Stedman as conductor from every bell from treble to tenor in Triples, Caters and Cinques. There are few, if any, other ringers who have done this on lower bells. The peal was rung immediately after an attempt which came to grief half-way.

It is interesting to recall that the peal of Cinques which Mr. Dawe conducted from the tenor was the first peal of Stedman Cinques rung with the conductor as tenorman. This was the noteworthy bachelors' peal rung at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, in 1889.

Mr. Dawe's peal list also includes peals of 5,555, 6,666 and 7,777 Stedman Caters, together with the first peals of Stedman Caters at Canterbury and Hereford Cathedrals.

Royal Cumberland Youths are visiting Quex Park on September 2nd and 3rd, and any member of the society will be welcome. The train leaves Victoria at 3.20 p.m., week-end ticket 13s. 9d. return.

Lancashire Surprise Major, originally published by Mr. Arthur Craven in January, 1907, and reproduced in 'The Ringing World' on July 22nd, 1921, has now been rung in a peal for the first time.

It will be recalled that last year a band at Oswaldtwistle, Lancs., scored the first peal of a Surprise method published by Mr. T. Law, and called it 'Lancashire.' When it was pointed out that a method under this name was already in existence, the title was changed to Northampton Surprise, by which it is now recognised.

The Oswaldtwistle ringers, however, were not to be denied the privilege of scoring the first Surprise peal under the name of their own county, and they have now the pleasure of putting to their credit a peal in Mr. Craven's method, six of the band (including Miss Ellen Shaw) who took part in the Northampton ringing also in the Lancashire. Both peals were conducted by Mr. James Houldsworth.

H.M. cruiser 'Raleigh,' which was wrecked in a fog in the Straits of Belle Isle last week, included among her complement two ringers. One, Major C. F. Ferram, R.M.L.I., C.M.G., D.S.O., whose home is at Penwerris, Cornwall, is well known in many towers in England, and the other, Mr. W. A. Cooke. Both these gentlemen interested themselves in any bells that were within their reach during their cruise in American waters, and took part in ringing the old year out at Vancouver, and also in a peal attempt the next day.

In our columns this week are a large number of peals rung prior to August 7th. Had the conductors thereof shown more enterprise all these could have appeared in our last issue. Verb. sap.

## A BOLSOVER CENTURY.

Mr. John Flint has just rung his 100th peal on the bells of Bolsover Parish Church, and this century includes the following methods: Plain Minor, 7 Treble Bob Minor methods, Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Forward Major, Double Norwich Major, Superlative Surprise, New Cambridge Surprise, Yorkshire Surprise, Norfolk Surprise, Peterborough Surprise, London Surprise and Bristol Surprise Major.

## BELFRY REPAIR FUND.

SALISBURY GUILD ACTION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—It may interest you and your readers to know that I have begun acting on your suggestion of bringing the decisions of the Central Council before branch meetings. At a recent branch meeting of the Salisbury Guild, held at Shaftesbury, I mentioned the principal points of the Lincoln session, and recommended collections at Guild services to form a nucleus of a Belfry Repair Fund. This expedient was put into practice on the spot, and £1 6s. was the result. When ringers engage in their corporate acts of worship, the occasion is eminently suitable for giving proof of that unselfish spirit and devotion to the common good, which you endeavour to inculcate in your very sound leading article on this subject. —

F. LI. EDWARDS.

Hon. Sec., Salisbury Diocesan Guild.

Kington Magna Rectory.

## LONDON RINGERS' WEDDING.

MR. A. D. BARKER AND MISS G. E. BATEMAN MARRIED AT ST. CLEMENT DANES.

On Saturday last the following announcement appeared in some of the daily papers under the heading of 'Bells Wedding March':—A romance of 'bells' will reach its culmination to-day when two bell ringers, Miss Gladys Elsie Bateman and Mr. Arthur David Barker, will be married. Mr. Barker is the general secretary of the London County Association of Change Ringers, and Miss Bateman is assistant secretary to the Association. In honour of the wedding the bells of St. Clement Danes will ring out many chimes, including two "wedding marches." Both the bride and bridegroom have been ringing the bells at the church every Sunday for months past.

Accordingly, it was a great day in the history of the London County Association, as it concerned two of their best-known and most respected members. At 10.30 the following assembled and rang four courses of Stedman Caters: F. E. Dawe 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, T. W. Taffender, junr., 3, I. G. Shade 4, W. G. Matthews 5, W. H. Theobald 6, H. Belcher 7, T. Walker 8, H. Mance 9, A. J. Neale 10.

The wedding ceremony took place at 11 a.m., and was fully choral. The Rev. W. Pennington-Bickford, Rector, and Hon. Chaplain to the Association, officiated, having kindly returned to town from his holiday at the seaside to tie the 'nuptial knot.' The bride was given away by her father, Mr. W. Bateman, and was attended by her sister, Miss Norah Bateman, as bridesmaid, Mr. Cecil C. Mayne acted as best man.

The writer overlooked asking some of the ladies present to describe how the bride was dressed, but is nevertheless in a position to say that she looked very charming in cream-coloured attire, with orange blossoms, and carried a magnificent shower bouquet of white carnations and other beautiful flowers.

Many ringers, as well as relatives, were present to witness the ceremony, the Ladies' Guild of which Miss Bateman is a prominent member, being well represented by the President, Mrs. Frank Hairs, the hon. secretary, Miss E. K. Parker, together with a large number of lady ringers from South Bucks, including Miss Cooper and Miss Gudgeon, of Fulmer.

A special wedding hymn, composed by the Rector, was sung, and as the procession passed down the aisle of the grand old church, the magnificent organ was heard in Mendelssohn's well-known 'Wedding March.' Now followed what the general public always appreciate and look forward to with much interest on these occasions—some well-struck rounds, and the bells were accurately 'fired' three times for twelve blows each, the 'openings' being faultless.

Another touch of four courses of Stedman Caters and the bells fired once more, during which time the men in blue outside the church piloted the wedding party through the sightseers and across the busy Strand to Carr's famous restaurant immediately opposite. Here the wedding breakfast was served in princely style, the guests numbering about 40.

So much interest had been created by the event that the Press Association sent representatives to take photographs of the ringers at their ropes in the belfry, and also of the bridal party at table.

After the wedding cake had been 'attended to,' the Rector, in a few well-chosen remarks, proposed the health of the bride and bridegroom, at the same time mentioning that although his name was 'Barker' in real life, he (the speaker) had found him the very reverse to that! Also, as they were both skilled ringers they would consequently know how to control their 'clappers' during their journey through life (laughter).

At the request of the ringers and Rector, Mr. F. E. Dawe voiced their good wishes in a felicitous manner, saying when he first started peal ringing, well over 40 years ago, there were no lady ringers. They were not even thought of in one's wildest dreams, yet that day they had Mrs. Hairs and Miss Parker, and others present, whose ringing abilities had elicited the admiration of all throughout the length and breadth of the land. Miss Bateman had proved herself an expert, and by her unassuming manner and gentle disposition had won respect everywhere, and was endeared to all. As for 'Arthur,' he (the speaker) had known him many years as a true Churchman, a clever ringer, a true friend, and, above all, one of nature's gentlemen. He knew that all present and absent joined him in wishing the happy pair health and prosperity, and every blessing he could reasonably wish them.

Mr. T. H. Taffender (Master of the London County Association), Mr. W. G. Matthews (hon. treasurer), and Mr. T. Walker, also supported all that had been said, each in a very pleasing and most appropriate speech, and expressing thanks for the festivities provided.

Mrs. Frank Hairs, as President of the Ladies' Guild, in a very neat little speech, offered congratulations. She hoped to still see the bride's name on the peal list, and that her activities in ringing would be as great in the future as in the past.

The bride suitably thanked all present for their kind expressions of goodwill and the bridegroom also expressed his gratitude. He said that as he and his newly-wedded wife were both conductors

they would, during their career, be able to 'conduct one another'! A touch of Stedman Caters on the handbells by Mrs. Frank Hairs 1-2, T. H. Taffender 3-4, Miss E. K. Parker 5-6, F. E. Dawe 7-8, and T. W. Taffender, junr., 9-10, brought the proceedings to a close. It was here that an emblem of good luck appeared, in the shape of a black kitten—no doubt attracted by the bells—which insisted on a personal introduction!

Although little sun was seen during the day, all were thankful the rain kept out of the way, and with the best wishes of all assembled, the happy couple left for Exeter, where the first part of the honeymoon is being spent.

After their departure a well-struck peal of Stedman Caters, with the 6th in second's place, was rung at St. Clement Danes.

F. E. D.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## DEPARTURE OF MR. B. C. DIXON.

The quarterly meeting was held at Hexham, on July 29th. The bells of Hexham and Corbridge were available, but the latter were not made good use of owing to the inconvenience of getting to Corbridge from Hexham. The Abbey bells, however, were kept going to the tune of Kent Treble Bob Minor and Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Cambridge Surprise Major, some 30 taking part in the ringing. A party of 23 sat down at the Abbey Hotel to a right good knife and fork tea, the other members cycling on to Fourstones to spend the week-end.

A letter of apology was read from Mr. B. C. Dixon. He conveyed his sincere regret for absence, and also for his having to give up his duties as joint secretary on account of his having taken up an appointment in Spain. He hoped the Association would go on and prosper, and that good accounts would reach him of its progress at his new home in Cartagena.

Mr. Story voiced the sentiments of all present, in saying how sorry they were to lose Mr. Dixon, pointing out the work he had done for the Association, and how he would be missed. He wished him, his wife and son every happiness and success in the new sphere of life, and promised him a right royal welcome back amongst them when his three years' sojourn in Spain is over.

## NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY &amp; IPSWICH ASSOCIATION

## MEETING AT EAST DEREHAM.

A general meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Branch of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association was held at East Dereham on Bank Holiday, when, by kind permission of the Rev. William H. Macnaughton-Jones, Vicar of East Dereham, the ring of eight bells of the Parish Church were placed at the disposal of the members. The luncheon was served at the King's Head Hotel, the Rev. W. H. Macnaughton-Jones presiding, in the absence of the President of the Association (the Dean of Norwich), who was unable to attend the meeting—Mr. A. L. Coleman (General Secretary) explained that the Dean had written to him to say that an important meeting was taking place that day at which his presence was greatly wanted, and, therefore, he would be glad to be excused from attending the meeting.

The Chairman proposed the toast of 'The King,' which was heartily responded to, after which the general business of the meeting was transacted, the Chairman being supported by the general secretary (Mr. A. L. Coleman), and the following members of the committee, Messrs. W. L. Duffield, J. Souter, G. T. Peggall, and representatives from East Dereham, Gressenhall, Norwich, North Elmham, Wymondham, Reepham, Thurston, Shropham, Diss, etc.

On the motion of Mr. A. L. Coleman, the following were elected members of the Association: The Rev. W. H. Macnaughton-Jones, the Rev. Percy E. Hall and Mr. Edward R. Hill, hon. members; Messrs. W. J. H. Hooton (Cambridge) and Mr. J. W. Jones (Newport), non-resident life members; Roland Newson, performing member.

The General Secretary announced that the following had been elected previous to ringing peals, viz., Messrs. Bertie S. Newson, William H. Joiner, Joseph Brettell, George Brown, Fred Wigmore, Jack Pilgrim, David Elliott, William Riches, Bertie Gogle.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar of East Dereham for presiding over the meeting and for the use of the bells of the Parish Church.—The General Secretary (Mr. A. L. Coleman) moved a vote of thanks to Messrs. O. F. Harrold and B. Whiteside for their kind help and assistance in the arrangements for holding the meeting. This concluded the business, and the members then adjourned to the belfry, joined by late comers. There was a total attendance of over 30 members.

## AN INQUIRY.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—A short time ago the bell ropes at our tower were renewed, but, by some mistake, the sallies are white instead of coloured. Could you, or some of your readers, advise us on the possibility of colouring the sallies ourselves, without causing them to deteriorate?—Yours faithfully,

AMATEUR.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. ANNUAL FESTIVAL AT LYMM.

The official weather prophecy for Bank Holiday promised: 'some rain.' That prophecy was amply fulfilled. Noah surely never looked out on a worse morning. Cheshire ringers may have slipped briskly from their beds, but judging from the attendance at the annual 'do,' must have returned to bed again. Those who ventured forth by cycle to Lymm no doubt wished they had gone by boat instead for the rain poured down pitilessly.

Service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. H. E. Maddox), and a very forceful address was given by the Rev. W. R. Ingham (Vicar of Middlewich). The general meeting followed immediately after the service.

In the unavoidable absence of the Master, Mr. T. Ashworth, of Bowdon, was voted to the chair.

The annual report and balance sheet were submitted by the hon. secretary (the Rev. A. T. Beeston).

Mr. W. Gordon expressed a desire to give, in a form suitable for framing, 500 copies of the portrait of the late Mr. C. J. Bowen-Cooke (a past Master), which offer was gratefully accepted.

Mr. H. Fairclough, of Stretton, was elected to the Mastership.

On his re-election as hon. secretary, the Rev. A. T. Beeston expressed an earnest desire to be relieved of his duties at the end of the next twelve months, and requested that during the intervening time efforts should be made to secure a suitable successor.—With the exception of the filling of one or two vacancies, the other officers were also re-elected. After fixing Hyde as the place of the next meeting, the proceedings closed with the usual votes of thanks.

As the newly elected Master was not present at the meeting, at the time of his election, he took the opportunity at dinner to express his thanks for the honour conferred upon him.

During the afternoon the 'whole pull and stand' was rung as a mark of deepest respect for the late Vicar of Grappenhall (the Rev. H. V. Pigot), who passed away on the previous Thursday. He had granted permission to ring on his bells on the occasion of the meeting, but in view of the sad circumstances they remained silent.

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. A BANK HOLIDAY WASN'T OUT.

A meeting of the North Notts Association was held at Sutton-on-Trent on August Bank Holiday. Fifty ringers and friends from kindred associations had intimated their intention of being present for tea, but with a downpour of rain only 19 put in an appearance, including four ladies from Worksop. Village sports and a gala, with a cricket match and fishing competition, a ringers' tug-of-war, etc., were to have been held in the afternoon, the proceeds of which were to be devoted to the new bell fund, but the weather was wretched in the extreme, the fields and roads being quickly flooded, with the result everything had to be postponed, except the campanology. The music of the bells pealed out from early morn to close of day over a large and flooded area; all honour, therefore, to those 19 who attended from far and wide. The ringers came from Anston, Treeton, Worksop, Gainsborough, and the local company. Those who braved the elements were not disappointed, from a ringing point of view, as no fewer than six methods were rung during the day, including Oxford and Kent, Stedman, Cambridge Surprise and London Surprise, but Plain Bob Minor would not go for 'nuts,' and, like the weather outside, was a veritable 'wash-out.'

The following members rang a 720 of Cambridge Surprise, and also a 240 of London Surprise, the first on the bells: W. Platts 1, H. Haigh 2, H. Stenton (conductor) 3, J. H. Brothwell 4, S. Smith 5, C. F. Fowler 6. The quality of the ringing was good during the day, and the conducting was shared by Messrs. Stenton, Fowler and Haigh.

Tea was provided in the Village Institute, presided over by the Vicar, after which the general business meeting was held, when ten new members were elected from Sutton-on-Trent, including the Vicar (the Rev. G. H. C. Bartley) as vice-president. Harworth will be the next place of meeting, in September, particulars of which will appear in 'The Ringing World.'

The Secretary, in moving a vote of thanks to the Vicar for presiding, and for the use of bells, and Schoolroom, which, with a comfortable fire, had been placed at the disposal of the visitors, said how sorry all the ringers were the weather was so unpropitious, thus spoiling their chance of raising money towards the cost of the new peal of bells. He gave notice that he would raise the question at the next meeting at Harworth of making a grant from the association funds, in the same way that grants were made to Misson and East Markham in 1895 and 1896.—The Vicar briefly acknowledged the motion, and thanked the ringers for turning out of their homes in such unpleasant weather. They had made him a vice-president that day, and his band of ringers members of their association; he hoped to do his best for them as an official, and he would like to see them all again at Sutton as soon as they conveniently could arrange to come.

H. H.

## RINGERS' OUTINGS.

### KENT RINGERS' TRIP.

The annual outing of the Queenborough ringers took place on Saturday, July 28th, when, accompanied by the Vicar and Mrs. Castle, Mr. Churchwarden Richards, and other friends, they set out by charabanc via Sittingbourne to Trymham, where they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Nye, Mr. and Mrs. Tumber, and Mr. E. Tumber. After a pleasant run to Canterbury a halt was made for breakfast, and then the party proceeded to Littlebourne, where two short touches of Bob Minor were successfully brought round. The 'go' of the bells was found to be all that could be desired. Traveling via Sandwich, Deal was the next objective, and there the company sat down to a splendid lunch. Afterwards they were met by Mr. J. Spooner, of Deal, and, accompanied by the Vicar, were conducted to St. Leonard's Church, where they were met by the Rev. Bowser and the local ringers. Short touches of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob were rung. Afterwards a pleasant run via Sandwich and Richborough brought the excursionists to Ramsgate, where tea was partaken of. The homeward journey was made via Sarre and Canterbury, and Queenborough was reached at 11.15 p.m., after a most enjoyable day. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the vicars of the respective churches for the use of the bells, also the secretaries of the local bands for the arrangements made.

### A TRIP INTO STAFFORDSHIRE.

On July 29th, the King's Norton (Birmingham) company had their annual outing. They were accompanied by Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A., Churchwardens Moore and Botley, and Messrs. A. Mortiboys, H. Withers, and a few other friends. A start was made at 8 a.m., and the party proceeded by motor charabanc to Shenstone, where they found a light ring of eight. Touches of Stedman, Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise Major were successfully brought round.

A short run of four miles, then brought the excursionists to Lichfield, where a halt was made to inspect and admire the splendid west front of the Cathedral. Permission to ring had not been obtained, as the time of arrival coincided with that of the morning service.

The next objective was Burton, an ideal place, from a ringer's point of view, in more senses than one. The Parish Church was visited, and touches of Stedman, Double Norwich and Cambridge brought round on this splendid going ring of eight.

St. Paul's was next on the list, and the party were met by Mr. J. Swinfield, who had everything in readiness. The bells were soon going to the tune of Stedman Caters, Cambridge and Double Norwich. All who rang on this peal were impressed with the splendid tone and 'go' of the bells. In the belfry they appear to be rather poor, but heard outside they are magnificent. Records of the past performances of the Burton men adorn the belfry walls—performances which placed them in a most prominent position in the Exercise. Now, alas! Grand sire Doubles is the order of the day. It seems a great pity that such a stronghold of the art should have fallen so low. Is it because our Burton friends have made the mistake of neglecting to bring on the 'young 'uns,' or simply through bad luck?

After an hour's ringing, the party adjourned to St. Paul's Institute, where lunch was waiting. Mr. Swinfield had been responsible for the arrangements here, and he had carried them out with his characteristic thoroughness.

Alderman J. S. Pritchett, in the course of a few remarks, expressed the pleasure it gave him to be with the party, and on their behalf thanked Mr. Percy O. Luffin, who had made all necessary arrangements, Mr. Swinfield for his kindness in looking after their comfort at Burton, and the clergy at both St. Modwen's and St. Paul's for so readily granting permission to ring.

Churchwarden Moore said he also was pleased to be with the ringers on their outing, and hoped they would continue to invite him as long as he remained in office. He was with them last year, and was so delighted with the splendid day he had then that he had brought the other churchwarden this year.—Mr. Swinfield replied briefly, saying he was always pleased to do his best for visiting ringers.

The party then boarded the charabanc, and another short run brought them to Overscale, where they were welcomed by the Rector (the Rev. H. E. Worthington). The bells at this church are a revelation as to what can be done with a light peal—the tenor being only 9 cwt. They are a beautiful little ring, being perfectly tuned and hung on the latest lines. Some of the party found the bells at the front end far too easy-going at first, but soon had them under control, and a course of London Surprise Major was attempted, but lost in the last lead. Cambridge and Stedman were more successful and the bells were lowered reluctantly.

Netherseale was the next place to be visited, and here a moderate peal of eight, which are hung the wrong way round were found. After ringing a few touches the party were invited by the Rev. H.



E. Worthington (who is also Rector of Netherseale) to take tea on the Rectory lawn. They are greatly indebted to this gentleman and his wife for their kindly welcome and hospitality.

Measham came next on the list, and a capital peal of bells was found there. London, Cambridge and Double Norwich were brought round in fine style, and a touch of Grandsire Triples was rung, with a few of the local ringers taking part.

The final place to be visited was Ashby-de-la-Zouch, and after a few touches the bus was headed for home, via Tamworth, King's Norton being reached at 10.15 p.m.

The company wish to thank all who assisted in making this outing such a complete success. J. F. S.

#### VISIT TO BROUGHTON-IN-FURNESS.

On Saturday, July 29th, six of the Dalton ringers, with two of the Barrow St. James', and Mr. F. Willey, spent a very pleasant afternoon at Broughton-in-Furness. The bells were raised in peal, and a good touch of 1,050 Grandsire was rung: Miss E. M. Stuart 1, F. Willey (conductor) 2, G. Jackson 3, J. Williams 4, A. Stedman 5, T. Metcalfe 6, W. S. Forshaw 7, J. Burrows 8. Also a well-struck touch of three courses of Bob Major, three of the Broughton ladies taking part: Miss Addison 1, T. Metcalfe 2, J. Williams 3, Miss B. M. Stuart 4, Miss D. Addison 5, Miss E. Butterfield 6, F. Willey (conductor) 7, J. Burrows 8. Several short touches of Bob Minor and Grandsire Triples followed, with W. Clarke and F. Willey as conductors. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for his kind permission for the use of the bells, and to Mr. Barker for having the bells in such good going order.

#### SOUTHGATE RINGERS' OUTING.

The first annual outing of Christ Church Society, Southgate, since the war took place on Saturday, July 22nd, when a trip was made into Essex and Hertfordshire. A start was made about 2.20 p.m. by charabanc, and a nice run brought the party to the Church of St. Mary Magdalen, Harlow Common, where the bells, a ring of eight, were raised, and short touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples rung. Resuming the journey, the party arrived at Sawbridge-worth, and were met by one of the local ringers, Mr. W. Tarling, also Mr. H. J. Tucker, of Bishop's Stortford. After a splendid meal tea, a move was made to the tower of the church, which contains a fine peal of eight, tenor about 25 cwt., one of the best in Hertfordshire, and here touches in various methods, including Cambridge Surprise were brought round, Messrs. Tucker and Tarling taking part. On the return journey a halt was called at the Church of St. John, Epping, where the modern peal of eight, cast by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, were raised, and touches in various methods, including Cambridge and London Surprise, were rung. This concluded the day's ringing, and ended a very enjoyable outing.

The band take this opportunity of thanking the local ringers who met and made the party welcome to their towers, also to the various incumbents of the three churches visited for kindly granting permission to ring on their bells.

#### OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

##### EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.

On August Bank Holiday a very happy gathering of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild took place at the Parish Church, Boyne Hill, to celebrate the re-opening of the bells. These have recently been restored, and by kind invitation of the Vicar (the Rev. W. S. Mahony, M.A.) members of the branch met to ring on this beautiful peal of eight. Ringers were present not only from the county towers, but from many parts of England, and various touches were brought round in fine style. A service was held in the church, conducted by the Vicar, and a most inspiring address was given by the vice-president of the branch (the Rev. W. S. Riddlesdale, M.A., Vicar of Bray). After service, tea was provided in the School Room adjoining the church, when about 80 sat down.

At a business meeting which followed, the Secretary put forward the scheme of the Branch committee for the division of the Branch for the purpose of secretarial duties, and after discussion it was adopted unanimously.

A report was given of the proceedings of the annual festival held at Oxford, and the meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Rev. W. S. Mahony for his kind invitation, to the Rev. W. S. Riddlesdale for presiding at the meeting, to the organist for kindly officiating at the service, to Mr. L. W. Copey for making all the necessary arrangements for the meeting, and to the ladies who so kindly assisted at the tea.

Afterwards ringing was again indulged in and some excellent handbell music was provided in the School Room. The proceedings terminated about 9 p.m., after a very successful day.

#### SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**NORWICH.**—At St. Peter Mancroft, on Sunday, August 13th, 244 Stedman Cinques: G. E. Borrett 1, J. A. Trollope 2, J. E. Burton 3, R. Hardy 4, G. Claxton 5, F. R. Copeman 6, E. R. Goate 7, D. T. Potter 8, G. Mayers 9, G. P. Burton 10, G. H. Cross 11, F. W. Curtis 12. Also 414 Stedman Caters: F. H. Davey 1, Miss H. M. Durrant 2, F. J. Howchin 3, G. Claxton 4, E. R. Goate 5, D. T. Potter 6, G. Mayers 7, F. R. Copeman 8, G. H. Cross 9, F. W. Curtis 10. Conducted by G. H. Cross.

**WOODSTOCK, OXON.**—On Sunday, August 13th, before evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: F. Rose 1, R. Rose 2, E. Bedford 3, R. G. Rice (Harwell, Berks), 4, D. Harris (Woburn, Beds), 5, J. Franklin (Kidlington) 6, G. A. King (conductor) 7, T. Styles 8.

**ILMINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.**—Four Shires Guild.—On Sunday, August 13th for evening service, 360 Grandsire Doubles: S. Russell 1, W. Large (conductor) 2, H. Terry 3, C. Arthurs 4, W. Adams 5, H. Sabin 6.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday, August 13th, at St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 42 mins.: A. H. Harding 1, A. H. Fulwell 2, L. H. Page 3, A. M. Stacey 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, T. W. Goodfellow (conductor) 7, F. S. Palmer, senr., 8.

**MALDON, ESSEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, August 13th, for morning service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: H. J. Mansfield 1, A. South 2, W. Mellin 3, W. Butler 4, H. Dorkes 5, E. Bright (conductor) 6. Also a short touch of Cambridge Surprise and Double Court, with A. Mansfield on the treble. Ringers of 3, 4, 5 and 6 hail from Witham.

**STANTON, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Sunday, August 6th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Doubles (1,260 changes), comprising two six-scores of Canterbury Pleasure, three of Plain Bob and 54 of Grandsire, in 42 mins.: H. Clay 1, R. Turner (longest touch) 2, W. Clay 3, W. Lycett 4, E. V. Rodenhurst (conductor) 5, H. Edwards 6.

**LONG STANTON, CAMBS.**—On Sunday, August 6th, for evening service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor, in 23 mins., composed by H. W. Wilde, and taken from 'The Ringing World': Rev. H. B. Woolley 1, C. W. Woolley 2, F. J. Cook 3, J. B. Woolley 4, Geo. Crisp 5, C. W. Cook (conductor) 6.

**THORNE, YORKS.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, August 6th for morning service, 720 Bob Minor: O. Darley 1, C. Thorley, junr., 2, A. Woods 3, W. Sleight 4, A. Darley 5, C. H. Thorley (conductor) 6, W. Hobson 7 (covering).—Also for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: O. Darley 1, A. Darley 2, A. Woods 3, W. Sleight 4, C. H. Thorley 5, C. Thorley (first 720 as conductor) 6, W. Hobson 7 (covering).

**BRENTWOOD.**—On Sunday, August 6th, at the Church of St. Thomas-the-Martyr, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: \*H. Tredgett 1, A. Rainbird 2, E. Furbank 3, E. D. Baker 4, Wesley Watson 5, W. Leggett 6, A. Tarbun, junr. (conductor), 7, S. Carroll 8. \* First quarter-peal.

**WORPLESDON, SURREY.**—At St. Mary's, on August 6th, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: R. Tickner 1, G. Chandler 2, Miss K. Avenal 3, H. J. Smith (Wickham, Hants) 4, C. Heather 5, S. Petter (conductor) 6. Also 360 Plain Bob, the Rector's wife ringing the treble.

**GAINSBOROUGH.**—On August 6th, for evening service, at All Saints' Church, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor, in 28 mins.: H. Torr 1, H. Morgan 2, P. Noble 3, J. Dixon 4, J. T. Ladd (conductor) 5, W. T. Cooper 6, C. A. Hewitt (covering) 7. First 720 of Oxford by ringers of 2, 3, 4, 6 and 7.

**STOW-ON-THE-WOLD.**—Gloucester and Bristol Association.—On Sunday, August 6th, an attempt for a peal of Grandsire Triples came to grief after ringing 2,520 changes in 1 hour 35 mins., through a change course: G. Pugh 1, J. Collett 2, J. Keyte 3, E. Parden 4, F. E. Davis 5, T. Banning 6, W. Large (conductor) 7, C. W. Lock 8.

**PORTSMOUTH.**—On Sunday, August 6th, for Matins, at the Parish Church of St. Thomas-a-Becket, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: F. W. Burnett (conductor) 1, E. C. Martin 2, W. Baker 3, P. Giles (first quarter-peal) 4, L. P. Cook 5, W. Ayloes 6, H. L. W. Aitken 7, W. S. Scaife 8. All the above are regular Sunday ringers at the church.

**EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On Sunday, August 6th, before morning service, Thurstons' quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: F. J. Lewis (conductor) 1, J. Butler 2, R. G. Rice 3, T. East 4, T. F. East 5, J. Sawyer 6, J. S. Napper 7, W. A. Goodenough 8.

**HILKINGTON, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. John the Baptist's Church, on Sunday, July 16th, for evensong, in 44 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Miss G. Baker 1, Miss D. Feltham 2, Miss N. Williams 3, J. J. Pratt (conductor) 4, E. Hancock 5, R. Carter 6, P. Jones 7, H. Chandler 8.—Also on August 13th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, in 50 mins.: Miss Baker 1, Miss Feltham 2, Miss Williams 3, W. Henley 4, J. J. Pratt (conductor) 5, P. Jones 6, E. Hancock 7, R. Carter (first-quarter of Caters) 8, H. Chandler 9, W. Honor 10.

**BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER.**—Gloucester and Bristol Association.—On Sunday, July 30th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: H. E. Gillett 1, J. Collett 2, H. Gillett 3, E. Farden 4, W. Large (conductor) 5, H. Packer 6, F. E. Davis 7, T. Banning 8.

**BARLEY, HERTS.**—On Sunday, July 30th, for morning service, 720 College Single by W. Sermons 1, H. Howard 2, W. Tack 3, W. Mansfield 4, A. Howard 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, July 23rd, for morning service, 720 Oxford Bob Minor by W. Mansfield 1, H. Howard 2, W. Tack 3, W. Sermons 4, A. Howard 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—Also for evening service, 720 Plain Bob Minor by W. Sermons 1, F. Hayes 2, W. Tack 3, W. Mansfield 4, A. Howard 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, July 2nd, for morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: F. Hayes 1, W. Sermons 2, W. Tack 3, W. Mansfield 4, A. Howard (conductor) 5, R. Howard 6.—For evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. Mansfield 1, Miss V. Shorter 2, W. Tack 3, W. Sermons 4, R. Lathbury 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6. Arranged for Miss Shorter and R. Lathbury, of Cambridge and Newmarket.

**EDGBASTON, WARWICKSHIRE.**—On Sunday, July 30th, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor, in 24 mins.: C. A. Morgan 1, J. Withers, junr., 2, H. Withers 3, G. Pigott 4, T. Russell 5, J. Withers, senr. (conductor) 6. First 720 and first attempt by Messrs. Morgan and Russell, who hail from Harborne.

**ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.**—On Sunday, July 30th, for evening service, 504 of Stedman Triples: H. Harrison 1, J. F. George 2, E. Fletcher 3, H. Straw 4, S. Burgoyne 5, C. Wilkinson 6, E. C. Gobey (conductor) 7, F. Tarlton 8.—On Sunday, August 6th, for evening service, 720 Treble Bob: J. H. Ilfe 1, E. Fletcher 2, H. Harrison 3, H. Fletcher 4, S. Burgoyne 5, C. J. Baker 6, E. C. Gobey (conductor) 7, J. F. George 8.

### A FALSE PEAL.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—The peal of 5,120 Treble Bob, composed by me and appearing in the Midland Counties Report of 1920-21 (No. 2,599), I regret to say is false. Kindly allow me to apologise to all those that took part in ringing this peal twice. It was rung at Lenton on May 8th, 1920, also at Duffield on Sept. 11th, 1920. I am sorry I have not found the false place before. E. C. GOBEY.

23, Shaw Street, Ilkeston.

### ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.

#### A TOUR IN SUSSEX.

The annual outing of the above society is usually well attended, and the tour into Sussex on Saturday, August 12th brought together two charabanc loads of ringers and friends. The Master (Mr. C. W. Everett), the hon. secretary (Mr. H. Balcomb) and Mr. C. Tribe had charge of the travelling arrangements, and Mr. G. Billenness undertook the duties of securing the various towers required for ringing. One charabanc started from Ashford, Kent, and travelled via Tenterden, Rolvenden, Hawkhurst, Robertsbridge, and on to the first stopping place, Battle. The second charabanc commenced picking up at Appledore, and proceeded to Battle by way of Tenterden, Northiam, Staplecross and Whittington. After ringing Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major at Battle, Pevensey was the next objective, and this light ring of six were soon set going to Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Minor and Grandsire Doubles. A walk across the fields took the party past the historic Pevensey Castle, and on to Westham Church. Here they found a very musical peal of six, and the company thoroughly enjoyed ringing Doubles and touches of Minor. The incumbents of these two six-bell towers favoured the ringers with their presence, and were heartily thanked for placing their bells at the disposal of the members.

Leaving Westham they speedily crossed the marshes to Eastbourne. Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung on the light eight at Christ Church, Mr. A. C. Pankhurst kindly meeting the party, who also had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of Mr. S. Wade, of Southgate. On leaving the church, Mr. Keith Hart, of Brighton, and a party, were waiting to relieve the Kentish men of the bells, and they learned that a peal of Stedman Triples was to be attempted. A number of the party subsequently visited St. Mary's, being welcomed by two of the local ringers. Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major constituted the ringing, and later several of the members wended their way back to the vicinity of Christ Church, and listened to the excellent striking of the peal of Stedman. Tea was partaken of at the Leaf Hall Restaurant, and in the evening a call was made at Hailsham, where Mr. C. J. Matthews welcomed the company. Here Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung, and a start was made on the homeward journey about eight o'clock. Thanks are due to Mr. G. W. Stokes (Eastbourne) and Mr. G. Penfold (Pevensey) for assisting in the ringing arrangements.

## NOTICES.

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

### SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

### SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Devizes Branch.

—The next monthly meeting will be held at Seend on Saturday, August 19th. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. Short business meeting, 5.30.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

### SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.

—A quarterly meeting will be held at Waldron on Saturday, August 19th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at the Memorial Hall at 5 p.m. (1s. per head).—Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. Div. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

### YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.

—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, August 19th. Bells (8) available from noon. Service at 3.45 p.m. Tea at 4.30 at 1/6 per head in the Barn Room. All ringers heartily welcomed.—A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

### LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Grimsby District.

—Meeting will be held at Barton-on-Humber on Saturday, August 19th. Please write to Mr. A. W. Hoodless, 11, Holydyke, Barton, for tea. All ringers welcome.

### SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Calne Branch.

—A meeting will be held at Calne on Saturday, August 19th, and not at Clyffe as previously arranged. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m.—S. L. R. Sharp, Hon. Sec., Calne.

### MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.

—A meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, August 19th, by permission of the Rev. F. Marriott, Vicar. Members will be entertained to tea by the Vicar after service. Tower open at 3 p.m., also St. Mary's, by permission of the Rev. James, Vicar.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

### LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.

—Next meeting will be held on Saturday, August 19th, at Waltham Abbey (12). Ringing from 4 to 8 p.m. Business meeting after. Tea obtainable opposite. Master and Secretary will leave Liverpool Street by 2.48 from Platform 13, G.E.R., and will be glad to meet all who intend coming by same. Heartly welcome to all.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Secretary, 57, Market Street, W.2.

### MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.

—A monthly meeting of this branch will be held at Peckleton on Saturday, Aug. 19th. Bells, Peckleton (6) and Kirkby Mallory (5) available 3.30. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wombourn on Saturday, August 19th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Guild service in church with an address by the Vicar, Rev. H. L. Langley, at 4.30. Tea at Mr. Walker's Tea Rooms at 5.15; business meeting following. Subscription for 1922, 6d. per member, now due. All bellringers heartily invited.—Fred Colclough, Hon. Sec., Earl Street, Bilston.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The next monthly meeting of the Guild will be held at Dunchurch on Saturday, August 19th. Bells available from 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. General Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Huish Episcopi on Saturday, Aug. 19th. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock for those giving early notice; meeting to follow. Langport and Muchelvey bells available.—F. Farrant, Hon. Local Sec., North Street, Martock.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, August 19th, at Roxton and Great Barford. Bells available, 2.30 at Roxton, 6 p.m. at Barford. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome.—C. J. Ball, District Sec., 2, Kemptford Road, Sandy, Beds.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Guilsborough District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Guilsborough on Saturday, Aug. 19th. Usual arrangements. Will those requiring tea please notify me not later than August 17. 6 bells.—W. Bott, Dist. Hon. Sec.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the Western Division will be held at Consett on Saturday, August 19th. Bells available after 3 p.m.—H. Tyson, Sec., 23, New Houses, Tanfield Lea.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch. —The next meeting will be held at Leigh Parish Church on Saturday, August 19th. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m. Bishopsgate, August 28th. St. Clement Danes, August 21st. Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th at 5.15 p.m. Send your name in for the Summer outing on Saturday, Sept. 9th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec. Stoke Green, near Slough.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames St., on Aug. 31st; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 22nd; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 24th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Stanton on Saturday, August 26th. Service at 5 p.m. prompt. Tea for those who send me their names by the Tuesday previous.—J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The next Monthly meeting will be held on August 26th, at Calverley. Peal attempt 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Chas. E. Lawson, Hon. Sec., 10, Leather Street, Leeds.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A district meeting will be held of the Halesworth branch of the Association at Halesworth on Saturday, Aug. 26th, at 2 p.m. Tea will be served at the Swan Hotel at 1/6 per head. All those who wish to have tea please notify Secretary not later than Wednesday, August 23rd. The rings of 6 bells of the parishes of Wissett and Chedeston will also be available.—W. Kerrison, Dist. Sec., Wissett.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—A Special meeting will be held at Rothwell on Saturday, August 26th. Usual arrangements. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than August 22nd.—R. G. Black, Geddington, Kettering.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Winchester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Dibden on Saturday, August 26th. Bells available: Dibden (8), Fawley (6). Tea at 5 o'clock. Will those intending to be present kindly advise me by August 23rd.—W. T. Tucker, 71, High Street, Eastleigh.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The annual branch meeting will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, August 26th. Bells ready at 3. Tea and Social, 1/6 each, 5.30; meeting following. All ringers and friends invited. Will those intending to be present kindly inform J. Houldsworth, 33, Margaret St., Oswaldtwistle, not later than August 23rd.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Slimbridge on Saturday, August 26th. Bells from 3 p.m.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—A meeting at Fishlake on Saturday, August 26th. Tea provided for those who notify me before the 22nd. Copies of the group photo taken at Campsall are now ready. Post Cards 5/- per doz. Enlargements mounted 10 ins. x 14 ins., 5/- each.—Orders received by Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Clifton on Saturday, August 26th. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—Thos. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Northenden, Saturday, August 26th.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Alban's District.—A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, August 26th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea arrangements will be made on the day. All ringers welcome.—Wm. Nash, Dist. Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—The next meeting will be held at Elstow on Saturday, August 26th. Bells available from 2.30. It is hoped that tea will be provided. All ringing friends and visitors invited to ring on John Bunyan's Bell.—H. L. Harlow, Dist. Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—A combined practice will be held at Godalming on Saturday, August 26th. Bells available from 6 to 9. All ringers welcome.—E. Raddon, Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.



**LADIES' GUILD.** — Preliminary Notice. — The Annual General Meeting will be held at Isbam, Nr. Kettering, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Fuller particulars later. — E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec.

**RINGERS** are invited to Grand Bazaar and Garden Fête in Rectory Grounds, Kingston Magna, Dorset, on Thursday, August 31st. Music by Gillingham Town Band. Tower and handbells available 2 to 10 p.m.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.** — Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

### WEDDING BELLS.

On Saturday, at Stony Stanton, Leicestershire, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 44 mins., by Miss Stella Disney 1, Fred Wilson 2, Harry Wright 3, Chas. Briggs 4, F. Cotton 5, Harry Briggs 6, Harry Webb (first quarter-peal as conductor) 7, Wm. Briggs 8. This was a wedding compliment to Miss L. Hunt, of Sapcote, and Mr. Tom Atkins of Stony Stanton, who were married at St. Michael's, Stony Stanton, earlier in the day. Mr. Atkins is a much-respected member of the M.C.A., and also of St. Michael's band of ringers. During the time this quarter-peal was in progress the bells at Sapcote were also going to the tune of Bob Minor. The ringers from both churches afterwards met at Sapcote, where a most excellent spread was provided by the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Hunt, and an enjoyable evening spent with handbells etc. The ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking Canon Disney, of Stony Stanton, and Canon Moose, of Sapcote, for the use of the bells.

### MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

**BARLEY, HERTS.** — On Monday, June 26th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: F. Hayes 1, W. Symonds 2, W. Tack 3, W. Mansfield 4, A. Howard 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method on the bells, and first in the method by all the band.

**PRESTON, SUFFOLK.** — On Friday evening, June 30th, was rung on the church bells a 720 of Kent Treble Bob: W. R. J. Poulson 1, M. Symonds 2, K. Whittell 3, H. Lister 4, P. Poulson 5, C. W. R. Grimwood (conductor) 6, followed by 720 of New London: M. Symonds 1, W. R. J. Poulson 2, A. Symonds 3, S. H. Symonds 4, C. W. R. Grimwood 5, W. Hollock (conductor) 6. These were rung to oblige Mr. Grimwood, who was on a holiday at his native home, Hitcham.

**PORTMADOC.** — North Wales Association. — On July 6th, at St. John's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 50 mins.: \*Pierce Roberts 1, \*J. V. Humphreys 2, Harry McMillan 3, John Owen (conductor) 4, \*Herbert Roberts 5, \*F. J. Williams 6, J. Eric Thomas 7, Edward Brown 8. \*Longest touch.

**SHEFFIELD.** — On July 13th, at All Saints' Church, Sheffield, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 50 mins., was rung with the bells half-muffled, as a token of sympathy with Mr. F. Willey, vice-president of the Yorkshire Association, in the sad loss of his wife. A. W. Gledstone 1, J. H. Bower 2, P. Gledstone 3, F. Shackleton 4, J. W. Smithson 5, W. Stubley 6, W. Chown (conductor) 7, T. Chown 8.

**LIVERPOOL.** — On Monday, July 24th, a peal of Grandsire Caters was lost, after three hours' ringing, owing to the breaking of a rope: J. Cooke 1, T. Hammond 2, E. Jones 3, C. Benwell 4, S. Barnes 5, G. R. Newton (conductor) 6, H. Ludkin 7, J. Martin 8, E. Counce 9, O. Packer 10. Longest length on ten bells by the first five ringers and the tenorman. The tenor is 39 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs.

**BURBAGE, BUXTON.** — At Christ Church, on Tuesday evening, July 25th, for practice, a 720 of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. W. Hampson 1, C. D. Potter (Barusley) 2, R. Ashmore 3, W. Longden 4, S. Kirk (conductor) 5, J. R. Buckhouse 6.

**WEST EALING, MIDDLESEX.** — At St. Stephen's Church, on Tuesday, July 25th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 45 mins.: H. Folkard 1, E. J. Watson 2, F. Goodfellow 3, C. Edwards 4, P. E. Clark 5, H. R. Newton (conductor) 6, H. Belcher 7, E. Harris 8. Rung as birthday compliments to Mr. E. Harris and Mr. C. Clark, vergers of the church, on their 56th and 70th anniversaries respectively.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.** — On Saturday, July 29th, in 48 mins., at Charles' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): W. H. Marsh 1, H. Ashton 2, W. Richards 3, W. Hamlyn 4, W. Rundle 5, W. S. Hornbrook (first as conductor) 6, R. A. H. Dobson 7, H. Burnor 8. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of the sister of the organist.

### WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A very successful meeting of the Guildford District was held at Rammore on Bank Holiday, when ringers were present from Acton, Chelsea, Crawley, Dorking, Guildford, Godalming, Reigate, Shere, Windsor, Walton-on-Thames, Worplesdon, and Rammore.

Some capital touches in various methods were brought round, including Superlative Surprise, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Stedman and Grandsire. The majority of the ringers and friends visited the beautiful grounds of Denbies, kindly thrown open to them by Lord Ashcombe. After tea a move was made for Dorking, where the bells were rung in various methods till 9 o'clock.

## ALFRED BOWELL, CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,  
COVENTRY.

### PUBLICATION.

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF  
LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton,  
Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to  
XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers  
I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in  
cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair  
Home, Wokingham.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. AGGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells.—Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

## JAS. E. GROVES,

CHURCH BELL  
HANGER,

43, Malvern Road,  
Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.  
GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.  
STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.  
METHODMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.  
TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.  
PART II.—At present out of print.  
DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s. d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1 0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price ...	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 88/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 271 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 597. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### PROGRESS IN RINGING.

An old subject upon which advice is so often tendered at meetings and in association reports, as well as in our columns, is that of raising the standard of methods rung by average ringers. Over and over again men have been urged to aspire to higher things in the way of method ringing, and there is very little that is new to be said upon a matter so frequently brought to the notice of the Exercise. And yet the theme is one that stands in need of constant repetition. There are too many men who remain content to ring what they already know and make no effort to accomplish anything beyond the simplest methods. There are, for instance, quite a large number of ringers who have reached the Treble Bob stage, who do not seem sufficiently enthusiastic to go on to the Surprise methods, and yet they must be interested in the art, or they would never keep pounding away at Kent or Oxford.

In these days it is difficult to find an excuse for bands who, having mastered a method to the extent of being able to ring frequent peals, do not set out to learn something more advanced. The stages by which a company can best progress must be governed by circumstances, but there ought, for example, to be little difficulty on the part of those who have mastered Bob Major to go on to Treble Bob or Double Norwich, or for those who know these two last-named methods to proceed at a step to Superlative or Cambridge Surprise. It can be done with perseverance and a little enterprise, and, during the winter that is before us, we hope to find that many bands will make a determined effort to raise the quality of the methods they practise. The question of progress rests largely with the man at the helm, if the metaphor may be permitted in connection with the belfry. Careful handling of his men and the skilful steering of the company through the difficulties and disappointments that often attend efforts to progress, will stamp the able 'skipper' as a man of resource and ability, and make him a true leader of his band. The winter season is the time when a conductor should be found rallying his ringers round him, coaching them, or, if their difficulties are also his own, at any rate encouraging them in the task of mastering new methods.

There are cases where the limitations of the band are fixed by the limitations of the conductor who is not always ready to admit the claims of others to occupy his place—for the old idea of keeping the young ones down still prevails in some towers. Where it is obvious that a so-called 'captain' is standing in the way of the advance of his band, either through negligence or ignorance, progress demands that he should be removed—if he cannot otherwise be induced to resign. No band that has the opportunity of practising ought to be content to stand still in regard to method ringing.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

**Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.**

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

**Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Aug. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST.

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*WILLIAM D. SMITH ... .. Treble	GEORGE ADES ... .. 6
ERNEST GOWER ... .. 2	ROBERT J. DAWE ... .. 7
A. YORK BRAMBLE ... .. 3	BENJAMIN HOBBS ... .. 8
*GEORGE W. STOKES ... .. 4	ALFRED J. TURNER ... .. 9
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 5	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal of Bob Royal.

LEEDS, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5055 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

ALBERT GASSON ... .. Treble	LOUIS HEAD ... .. 6
THOMAS MANNERING ... .. 2	*CHARLES H. SONE ... .. 7
HARRY N. WAY ... .. 3	WILLIAM HAIGH ... .. 8
CHARLES WINNER ... .. 4	†WILLIAM WALKER ... .. 9
ERNEST SPILLER ... .. 5	HARRY COAST ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by LOUIS HEAD.

\* First peal of Caters. † First peal of Caters away from tenor, First peal as conductor on ten bells. See K.C.A. Report, 1914, p. 99, for calling.

CARDIFF.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

JOHN W. JONES ... .. Treble	ERNEST STITCH ... .. 6
SIDNEY DAWE ... .. 2	WILLIAM BOLTON ... .. 7
ERNEST H. HUNT ... .. 3	ERNEST COOMBS ... .. 8
WILLIAM B. BISS ... .. 4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 9
HARRY PAGE ... .. 5	SEYMOUR R. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by FRED CHAMBERLAIN.

Arranged specially as a compliment to Mr. William Bolton, a Past Master of the Association, it being his 50th birthday.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BLEWBURY, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BERKS BRANCH.)

On Sunday, Aug. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

*HARRY GREENOUGH ... .. Treble	ALFRED H. WEBB ... .. 5
WALTER V. WEBB ... .. 2	FRANCIS J. LEWIS ... .. 6
G. FREDERICK JAMES ... .. 3	RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 7
JAMES BUTLER ... .. 4	ROBERT N. ALDRIDGE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. FREDERICK JAMES.

\* First peal. Rung before evensong.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Aug. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

HENRY PAGE ... .. Treble	ALFRED W. GROVES ... .. 5
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 2	JOHN DEARLOVE ... .. 6
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 3	WALTER PERKINS ... .. 7
ARTHUR T. VERRALLS ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW. Conducted by KEITH HART.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Aug. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

EDWARD JENKINS... .. Treble	*ERNEST PALMER ... .. 5
HENRY C. COLLYER ... .. 2	WILLIAM BIBBY... .. 6
FREDERICK J. HANCOCK ... .. 3	FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 7
JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. 4	CECIL RADDON ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to Mr. C. Raddon.

SKIPTON, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 22 cwt.

JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. Treble	JOHN MCKELL ... .. 5
GEORGE ROBINSON ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. DIXON... .. 6
WILLIAM E. H. ASH... .. 3	FRANCIS BARKER ... .. 7
*CHRISTOPHER LANGSTROTH ... .. 4	WILLIAM D. HILLARY... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. DIXON.

\* First peal in the method. Rung on the first anniversary of the bells.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Aug. 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 6 qr. 9 lb.

EDWARD GRINDELL ... .. Treble	HARRY HALL ... .. 5
WALTER RUFFLES ... .. 2	ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. 6
*FRANK RUFFLES ... .. 3	THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... .. 7
ERNEST E. GRIMES ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. GROOM ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by W. J. GROOM.

\* First peal of Kent Treble Bob.

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Aug. 13, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

CHARLES ABLITT ... .. Treble	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... .. 5
ALBERT A. FLEMING ... .. 2	WILLIAM T. LAST ... .. 6
GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3	GEORGE A. FLEMING ... .. 7
GEORGE W. ABLITT ... .. 4	ERNEST E. LANHAM ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. FLEMING. Conducted by G. A. FLEMING.

LONDON.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Monday, Aug. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WILTON ROAD, PIMLICO, S.W.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANPOSITION OF THORSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*MISS NORA E. SHORTER ... Treble	GEORGE A. CARD ... .. 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	*GEORGE SHIPP ... .. 6
GEORGE C. ILES ... .. 3	JAMES BULLOCK ... .. 7
JOSEPH S. HAWKINS ... .. 4	*WILLIAM F. SHORTER ... Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal in the method. Rung on the occasion of the 70th birthday of the father of the ringer of the 4th.

GRIMSBY.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Aug. 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

JOHN W. SEAMER ... .. Treble	*CHARLES W. TAYLOR ... .. 5
*HERBERT MINGAY ... .. 2	FRED METCALFE ... .. 6
*STEPHEN BROOMFIELD ... .. 3	JOHN THORPE ... .. 7
SYDNEY PALMER ... .. 4	*RALPH S. LONG ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. COWAN.

Conducted by JOHN THORP.

\* First peal in the method. Arranged for S. Palmer and J. Thorp, who hail from Sheffield.

ALREWAS, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Aug. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

MAURICE M. SWINFELD ... Treble	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 5
JOHN H. SWINFELD ... .. 2	ALBERT H. WARD ... .. 6
JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 7
PRYCE TAYLOR ... .. 4	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN OLDHAM.

First peal on the bells since recasting and augmentation by Messrs. John Taylor and Co.

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Aug. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. Treble	CHARLES PALMER ... .. 5
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT... .. 2	JOHN DEARLOVE... .. 6
ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 3	WILLIAM C. HART ... .. 7
ALFRED W. GROVES ... .. 4	KEITH HART... .. Tenor

Composed by H. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Aug. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

RICHARD B. LAMBERT ... Treble	WILLIAM H. HOAD ... .. 5
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, JUN. 2	THOMAS HOAD ... .. 6
ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. 3	CHARLES W. PLAYER ... .. 7
REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... 4	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK BENNETT. Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Richard B. Lambert.

PENTRE RHONDDA.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Aug. 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

FREDERICK LASBURY ... Treble	THOMAS HAMLIN ... .. 5
WILLIAM PAGE ... .. 2	JAMES CROSS... .. 6
HERBERT DAVIES ... .. 3	HARRY PAGE ... .. 7
GEORGE DROSS ... .. 4	TOM PAGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. ROBINSON.

Conducted by HERBERT DAVIES.

First peal as conductor.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

**Bell Ropes**

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

➤ **GREAT REDUCTIONS.** ➤

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**



## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Aug. 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

ERNEST WHITING ... .. Treble	*GEORGE BROWN, JUN. ... 5
ALFRED SMITH ... .. 2	JAMES BOUGHTON ... .. 6
CHARLES BAKER ... .. 3	HERBERT PIERCY ... .. 7
*ALPHÉUS J. BERRY ... .. 4	FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt.

## QUIDENHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt. 0 qr. 10 lb.

ERNEST WHITING ... .. Treble	*GEORGE BROWN, JUN. ... 5
CHARLES BAKER ... .. 2	*CHARLES CUTTING ... .. 6
JAMES BOUGHTON ... .. 3	†FREDERICK A. SALTER ... 7
ALPHÉUS J. BERRY ... .. 4	FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... Tenor

Composed by O. LANG. Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

\* First peal of Kent Treble Bob. † First peal of Treble Bob.

## WIGSTON MAGNA, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

DEXTER'S VARIATION OF THORSTAN'S FOUR PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE CLEAL ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. HOMERSTONE ... 5
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 2	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... 6
JOHN W. CHANDLER ... .. 3	*JAMES CARTER ... .. 7
JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 4	†FREDERICK LLOYD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRED H. DEXTER.

\* First peal of Stedman. † First peal. This is the first peal on the bells since they were recast and rehung on ball bearings in new iron framework by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. The ringers were greatly pleased by the beautiful rich tone of the recast peal, and the 'go' is splendid.

## RISHTON, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

†ARTHUR INGHAM ... .. Treble	*CHARLES BLAKEY ... .. 5
LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... 2	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. 6
TOM STANCLIFFE ... .. 3	JOHN WATSON ... .. 7
FRED CHAMBERS ... .. 4	†LEONARD ROSTRON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER. Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. Ringers of 1st, 2nd and 8th hail from Church Kirk, 5th from Accrington and the rest from Blackburn.

## NEWNHAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

*WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. Treble	EX-SERGT. J. WILLIAMS ... 5
JAMES BISHOP ... .. 2	WILLIAM BISHOP ... .. 6
JOHN J. BEVAN ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. 7
†ALFRED T. POULTON ... .. 4	GEORGE WILKS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First peal of Triples on an 'inside' bell.

## TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 20 cwt.

*WILLIAM H. TARR ... .. Treble	HENRY NORMAN ... .. 5
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	PERCY MERSON ... .. 6
ALFRED WYATT ... .. 3	JAMES HUNT ... .. 7
†ARTHUR HAYWARD ... .. 4	EBENEZER PRIDDLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\* First peal. † First peal on eight bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to John Thomas.

## WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

MAURICE SMITH ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. NODDS ... .. 5
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 2	HARRY KILBY ... .. 6
WILLIAM PYE ... .. 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

## NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 5
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 2	CHARLES J. FRAY ... .. 6
JOHN W. FAITHFULL ... .. 3	EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 7
WILLIAM TATE ... .. 4	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by HY. DAINS. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Arranged for Mr. G. R. Newton, of Liverpool.

## TETBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Sunday, Aug. 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

WILFRED G. COOK ... .. Treble	GEORGE ORCHARD ... .. 5
FRANCIS J. LEWIS ... .. 2	ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 6
*WILFRED H. HAYWARD ... 3	FRANK COLE ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. COSS ... .. 4	CHARLES BARNFIELD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS J. LEWIS.

\* First peal of Triples. First peal on the bells since they have been overhauled by Messrs. Llewellyns and James; the 'go' is now excellent.

## LINTON, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Aug. 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE POUND ... .. Treble	HARRY GOODWIN ... .. 5
TOM SAUNDERS ... .. 2	THOMAS E. SONE ... .. 6
LOUIS HEAD ... .. 3	CHARLES H. SONE ... .. 7
*CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 4	LEWIS NEWMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by L. HEAD. Conducted by C. H. SONE.

\* First peal of Major and first attempt. This peal is now rung for the first time and was arranged for Mr. Edwards, of Ealing.

HAYES, KENT.—On July 17th, 720 Double Oxford Minor: H Reader 1, J. Hack (conductor) 2, O. Gilbey 3, F. Keech 4, H. Brown 5, J. Brown 6. Also touches of College Single, Oxford Bob, Merchant's Return and Woodbine, with G. Harwood taking part.

HITCHIN.—At St. Mary's Church, on July 31st, 576 Superlative Surprise Major: H. Eise 1, E. W. Day 2, N. E. Day 3, G. Wolfe 4, J. T. Kentish 5, J. Hall 6, L. Fidler 7, W. J. Croft (conductor) 8.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

FRANT, SUSSEX.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Alban,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt.

RICHARD B. LAMBERT... ..Treble	REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... 4
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT ... 2	ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... 5
HERBERT J. HAMMOND ... 3	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... ..Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

CHEDISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford  
Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ...Treble	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 4
FREDERICK J. SMITH ... .. 2	GEORGE LEE ... .. 5
WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... ..Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

First peal in seven methods on the bells.

GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Aug. 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Being three 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and  
720 of Woodbine. Tenor 8½ cwt.

FREDERICK A. ADAMS... ..Treble	GEORGE CHERRY... .. 4
ERNEST W. DAY ... .. 2	RALPH E. CROFT... .. 5
ALFRED W. LINDSAY ... 3	GEORGE T. CROFT ... ..Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE T. CROFT.

Rung as a wedding peal for Mr. Frank Croft, captain of the local  
band, on the occasion of his marriage to Miss Beatrice Gilbert, of the  
same village, on August 5th.

STRETTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Aug. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Matthew,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford  
Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Bob and Oxford Single Bob.

ERNEST BOSTOCK... ..Treble	LEONARD BOSTOCK ... .. 4
JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. 2	FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 5
EDWARD JENKINS... .. 3	CRCIL RADLON ... ..Tenor

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

First peal in seven methods by all except the conductor.

WALPOLE ST. ANDREW, NORFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Aug. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently.

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qrs. 16 lbs. in F.

WALLACE COUSINS ... ..Treble	JOHN CLAXTON ... .. 4
*HARRY BOWEN ... .. 2	CLAUDE COUSINS... .. 5
*ARTHUR WIGMORE ... 3	TONY PRICE ... ..Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

\* First peal and first attempt.

LIVERPOOL.—At the Church of St. Mary, Walton-on-the-Hill, on  
Monday, July 17th, 1680 Surprise Minor, in 55 mins., being 240  
each of Munden, Chester, Carlisle, Beverley, York, Cambridge, and  
Newcastle: 1. Grey 1, G. R. Newton 2, J. Wilkinson (conductor) 3,  
J. Martin 4, T. W. Gilmour 5, E. Canuce 6.

MARKET DEEPIING, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Aug. 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Guthlac,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Being 720 each of Single Court, Double Bob, Double Court, Bob  
Minor, St. Clement's, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

ARTHUR RIGGALL ... ..Treble	HORACE M. DAY ... .. 4
GEORGE HOLLIS ... .. 2	WALTER A. DAY ... .. 5
JOHN J. JUTSON ... .. 3	WILLIAM TILLEY... ..Tenor

Conducted by HORACE M. DAY.

Arranged for Mr. George Hollis, who learned to ring in this tower  
as a boy.

WATLINGTON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in B flat.

TONY PRICE ... ..Treble	CLAUDE COUSINS ... .. 4
ALFRED BACON ... .. 2	TOM GREENACRE ... .. 5
WALLACE COUSINS ... 3	*LEE FEATHERBY... ..Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. First peal of Treble Bob on the bells.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(St. James' Society.)

On Tuesday, Aug. 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Norman Tower,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

*FRANK L. HUNT ... .. 1—2	FRANK LEVITT ... .. 5—6
JOHN SPARROW ... .. 3—4	*PRESTON G. EVERETT ... 7—8

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by J. SPARROW.

\* First peal. Umpire: ERNEST E. MURFIT.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(St. James' Society.)

On Wednesday, Aug. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Norman Tower,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

FRANK L. HUNT ... .. 1—2	FRANK LEVITT ... .. 5—6
JOHN SPARROW ... .. 3—4	PRESTON G. EVERETT ... 7—8

Composed by C. H. MARTIN. Conducted by J. SPARROW.

Umpire: HAROLD DOEL.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(St. James' Society.)

On Friday, Aug. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

At the Norman Tower,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

FRANK L. HUNT ... .. 1—2	FRANK LEVITT ... .. 5—6
JOHN SPARROW ... .. 3—4	JAMES C. CHINERY ... 7—8

Composed by J. BARKER. Conducted by J. SPARROW.

Umpire: PRESTON G. EVERETT.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(St. James' Society.)

On Sunday, Aug. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Two Minutes,

At 13, MUSTOW STREET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

FRANK L. HUNT ... .. 1—2	FRANK LEVITT ... .. 5—6
JOHN SPARROW ... .. 3—4	*WILLIAM WATSON ... 7—8

Composed by J. BARKER. Conducted by J. SPARROW.

\* First peal. Umpire: ARTHUR E. MOORE.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.  
THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,  
AT 40, NORTHGATE STREET,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

*FRANK L. HUNT ... 1-2	ARTHUR E. MOORE ... 5-6
JOHN SPARROW ... 3-4	HARRY R. MOORE ... 7-8
FRANK LEVITT ... 9-10	

Composed by JAMES GEORGE. Conducted by J. SPARROW.  
Umpire: WILLIAM WATSON.

\* First peal of Royal.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
IN ST. JAMES' TOWER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

JESSE B. TYLER ... 1-2	JAMES HUNT ... 5-6
JOHN THOMAS ... 3-4	*PERCY MERSON ... 7-8

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

\* First peal 'in hand.'

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Aug. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. A. J. NAUNTON,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 18 in G.

*ROY PILGRIM ... 1-2	WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... 5-6
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... 3-4	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... 7-8

Composed by E. M. ATKINS. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

Witness: JACK PILGRIM.

\* First peal of Major and first attempt. Great credit is due to the ringer of 1-2 for the way he rang his bells throughout the peal, he being only 15 years of age.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.  
THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Friday, Aug. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE NORMAN TOWER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

JOHN SPARROW ... 1-2	FRANK LEVITT ... 5-6
ARTHUR E. MOORE ... 3-4	*GEORGE LILLEY ... 7-8

Conducted by JOHN SPARROW.

Umpire: FRANK L. HUNT.

\* First peal 'in hand.'

HINGHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

EDWIN R. GOATE ... 1-2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... 5-6
BEN. S. THOMPSON ... 3-4	ROBERT HARDY ... 7-8

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

First peal 'in hand' by the ringers of the 1-2 and 7-8, also first peal on a working pair by the ringer of the 3-4. Rung after meeting short for Double Norwich on the tower bells.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.  
THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Sunday, Aug. 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT 81, KING'S ROAD,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

ARTHUR E. MOORE ... 1-2	FRANK LEVITT ... 5-6
JOHN SPARROW ... 3-4	HARRY R. MOORE ... 7-8

Composed by J. PITSTOW. Conducted by JOHN SPARROW.

Umpire: J. CHINERY.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS.  
THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN  
ASSOCIATION.

(ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Monday, Aug. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF THE NORMAN TOWER,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

FRANK L. HUNT ... 1-2	FRANK J. LEVITT ... 5-6
ARTHUR E. MOORE ... 3-4	PRESTON EVERITT ... 7-8

Composed by HENRY J. TUCKER. Conducted by ARTHUR E. MOORE.

Umpire: JAMES CHINERY.

CLIFTON, BRISTOL.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Aug. 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MRS. WILKINS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Size 15 in C.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... 1-2	ALFRED H. POLLING ... 5-6
ALFRED E. REEVES ... 3-4	*MRS. R. J. WILKINS ... 7-8

Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Witness: MRS. POLLING.

\* First peal 'in hand.'

CLIFTON, BRISTOL.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Aug. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MRS. WILKINS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Size 15 in C.

REGINALD BROUGH ... 1-2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... 5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... 3-4	MRS. R. J. WILKINS ... 7-8

Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

GREAT HAMPTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, Aug. 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 20 in E.

MISS NELLY JOHNSON ... 1-2	ALFRED H. POLLING ... 5-6
JOSEPH D. JOHNSON ... 3-4	*GEORGE W. STEERE ... 7-8
JAMES HEMMING ... 9-10	

Composed by JAMES GEORGE. Conducted by JOSEPH D. JOHNSON.

Umpire: FREDERICK J. JOHNSON. Witness: MRS. A. H. POLLING.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters 'in hand.' The peal was arranged for Messrs. Pulling and Steere, of Guildford, and both were proposed as members of the Worcestershire Association previous to starting. Also rung as a birthday compliment to the Misses Nelly and Amy Johnson.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS.  
THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN  
ASSOCIATION.

(ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Sunday, Aug. 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Twelve Minutes.

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. JAMES LEVITT, 13, MUSTOW STREET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

FRANK L. HUNT ... 1-2	FRANK J. LEVITT ... 5-6
ARTHUR E. MOORE ... 3-4	JAMES CHINERY ... 7-8

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by JAMES CHINERY.

Umpire: PRESTON EVERITT.

Rung as a silver wedding compliment to the conductor.

**A 'WELCOME HOME.'**

On Thursday evening, August 17th, at Leyland Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) was rung in 46 min., by J. Watkinson (conductor) 1, F. Rigby 2, P. Watkinson 3, \*J. H. Gartside, junr., 4, H. France 5, S. Watkinson 6, E. Watkinson 7, J. Harrison 8. \*1st quarter-peal away from tenor. This is the longest length on the bells since they were overhauled by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, and was rung as a welcome home to the Vicar of Leyland, Canon Staker Hunt, after his marriage. The ringers of 2nd and 4th hail from Chorley, and the rest are local men.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****EASTERN DIVISION MEETING.**

A quarterly meeting of the Eastern Division was held at Waldron, on Saturday, August 19th, members attending from Brighton (St. Peter's and St. Nicholas'), Chiddingly, Cuckfield, Eastbourne (St. Mary's, All Saints' and St. Saviour's), Hellingly, Heathfield, Mayfield, Shoreham and Westham, together with the members of the local band. Ringing was indulged in until 4.30, when a service was held, the address being given by the Rector, the Rev. Canon Humble-Crofts. Afterward, 35 members sat down to tea at the Memorial Hall, and a short business meeting followed, Canon Humble-Crofts presiding. Mr. Leonard J. Hodson, of Salehurst, was elected as a hon. life member, on the motion of Mr. G. H. Howse, seconded by the Hon. Secretary (Mr. E. Stokes). The place for the next quarterly meeting was discussed, and on the proposition of Mr. G. H. Howse, seconded by Mr. A. R. Miles, Christ Church, Blacklands, Hastings, was unanimously decided upon.

There being no further business to transact, Mr. J. T. Rickman, the Master of the Association, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, his address at the service, and also for so kindly consenting to preside at the meeting.—The motion was supported by Mr. W. D. Smith, and the Rector, in reply, said how pleased he had been to welcome the Association that day.

The members again returned to the tower, where the bells were kept going until 8 p.m. in methods ranging from Grandsire Triples to Superlative Surprise Major, and taken altogether it was a most enjoyable meeting.

**MR. F. E. DAWES RECORD.**

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—I see in Belfry Gossip last week that Mr. F. E. Dawe has conducted peals of Steadman Triples, Caters and Cinques from every bell. It also says few, if any, other ringers have done it. I achieved this in February, 1905, and have repeated it since, and it would not surprise me if there are one or two others who have done it. —  
Yours,  
W. PYE.

TREDDINGTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.—Four Shires Guild.—On Saturday, August 12th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 50 mins.: H. Terry 1, W. Adams 2, O. Bird 3, W. Keck 4, W. Large (conductor) 5, S. Russell 6

**BARLBOROUGH RINGERS' 'DAY OUT.'**

The Barlborough company had their first annual outing on Saturday, July 29th. The party, including wives and friends, numbered 33. Leaving home by charabanc at 8.45 a.m., they proceeded to Norton Cuckney, where there is a lovely ring of six bells, and these were soon put into a touch of 360 of Kent Treble Bob, which was tapped off in splendid style. The ringers were congratulated by the Vicar, who was there to meet them, and gave them a hearty welcome. They then proceeded to Edwinstowe and rang touches of Kent and Oxford, with Bob Minor for the younger members, being assisted by Mr. Jack Moss, one of the Bolsover band, who happened to be working at that place. A move was next made to Newark, where a capital lunch was partaken of at the Oldham's Cafe. Proceeding to Sutton-on-Trent, where the bells have recently been recast and rehung, and have a perfect 'go,' the excursionists soon set the peal swinging to Duke of York, of which a 720 was rung, this being the first 720 in a Treble Bob method on the bells, and also the first 720 rung by the band, viz., R. Reece 1, G. Ashby 2, P. Morris (conductor) 3, H. Kirk 4, W. Sturman 5, P. Hibbard 6. A move was then made to East Markham, where the bells were found in rather poor going condition. Ordsall was the next call, and here 240 Oxford and Kent Treble Bob were successfully brought round. The party had tea at Retford, and then turned towards home, which was reached after a very pleasant day's outing, which was favoured with splendid weather.

The ringers wish to thank all concerned for the use of the bells at the different places visited. During the day touches of Violet, Duke of York, Kent Treble Bob, Bob Minor, Oxford Treble Bob were rung. The secretarial duties were carried out by Mr. W. Sturman (secretary of the band).

**BELGRAVE RINGERS' OUTING.**

On Saturday, July 22nd, St. Peter's Society, Belgrave, accompanied by the choir, had a charabanc trip to Belvoir Castle. After going through the Castle, the party proceeded on to Bottesford, where an excellent tea was served, after which the ringers proceeded to St. Mary's belfry, and, with the help of three of the local band, set the beautiful toned bells going to the tune of Grandsire Triples. A touch of 630 change, was rung by H. L. Smith 1, J. R. Jackson 2, R. Barrow 3, A. W. Ward (conductor) 4, C. Blakey 5, J. Pole 6, H. Reeves 7, H. Sibson 8. Ringers of 2, 4 and 5 belong to local bands. The ringers wish to thank the local band for the use of the bells.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and**

**Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD**

**LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The five bells at Lubenham, Leicestershire, have recently been rehung, tuned and quarter-turned by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough.

In sending a report of a peal of Treble Bob, rung at Grundisburgh, Suffolk, on August 13th, Mr. G. A. Fleming writes that the composition was taken from Snowdon's 'Treble Bob,' Part 2, page 85, where it is given as 5,088, but upon examination proves to contain 5,120 changes.

To-morrow is the anniversary of the first peal of Grandsire Triples, which was rung at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, on August 26th, 1718. John Garthorn was the composer, who, 'with long study and practice, have perfectly discovered those intricate methods which were hidden from the eyes of all the ringers in England,' Grandsire Triples having been 'Ye study of ye most ingenious men of this Age who delight in the Art of Variations,' but whose 'projections have proved errors until it was undertook by John Garthorn.'

On August 26th 1751, John Holt took part in a peal of Double Bob Major at St. Mary's, Hillingdon.

On August 27th, in the previous year, Benjamin Annable conducted a peal of 'Bob Major St. George' at St. George's, Southwark.

Ten years ago, on August 27th, that fine old stalwart of the College Youths, Matthew Wood, of Bethnal Green, died in his 88th year, and on August 31st 1918, Bertram Prewett, one of the finest of ringers in this generation, was killed in action.

Ten years ago, on the 31st inst., the 19,738 Stedman Caters, which is the handbell record, was rung at Guildford.

On August 31st, 1888, the first ten-bell peal in Scotland was rung, viz., a peal of Grandsire Caters, at St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh.

In the 'Sunday Times' of Sunday last, a paragraph quoted from the issue of ninety years ago, describes the 'New church of St. Dunstan's, Fleet Street.' It says: 'The structure is of brick, of an octagon form, finished with beautiful Kilton or Rutland stone. The tower is about 50ft. in diameter at the base, and this part of the building is a fine specimen of the chaste Gothic style. The principal entrance is at the bottom of the tower, fronting Fleet Street. On the front of the tower will be worked, just above the door, the arms of His Majesty and those of the City. In the tower will be placed eight excellent bells, preserved from the old church.'

Presumably the eight bells from the old church did not find their way into the new steeple, as from the list of bells which have been supplied by the Whitechapel Foundry, it appears that a new peal of eight, with a tenor of 19 cwt., was erected in the Fleet Street church in 1832. This church was one of those which the Bishop of London's commission proposed to remove, with the exception of the tower.

Of old-cottage style, and described as 'the meanest church in Essex,' that known as St. Nicholas, at Hazleigh, is now being pulled down, having been declared unsafe. It was built in the sixteenth century at the expense of Edward Alleyne, the actor, who founded Dulwich College.

The nave is only 26ft. long, while the porch stands just 6ft. high. The old iron chests, just removed, contain the ancient parish registers, which commence with baptisms in 1575. In a turret is one bell on which is inscribed 'Thomas Mears, of London, fecit, 1793.'

The report of a peal rung at Shoreham, Sussex, on July 22nd, which did not reach us until Monday last, has been sent without the time. It is always advisable for conductors to check their reports with those which appear every week, in order that they may assure themselves that all essential details are included. Four other defective peal reports have reached us this week, but in those cases we have been able to communicate with the conductors.

The peal rang at Wrotham on August 5th was not the first peal of Bob Major on the bells. Mr. Sene writes that Mr. I. Emery conducted a peal of Bob Major there on July 13th, 1912.

## THE GIFFORD MEMORIAL.

The following further subscriptions have been received towards the memorial to the late Mr. W. W. Gifford. Contributions should be sent to Mr. L. Harris and Mr. F. W. Romaine, joint hon. secs., Britford, Salisbury.

Amount previously acknowledged, £15 14s.; Rev. Goodchild, Berwick St. John, 5s.; Berwick St. John's company of ringers, 5s.; Netheravon company, 10s.; Donhead St. Mary's company, 10s.; Romsey Abbey company, 8s.; Mr. G. Noice, 2s. 6d.; Mr. W. Spender, 7s.; total, £27 15s. 6d.

## RING OF TWELVE FOR CHESHIRE.

## PROPOSED AUGMENTATION OF MACCLESFIELD BELLS.

From the information given at the annual meeting of the Chester Diocesan Guild, regarding augmentation and restoration work in the diocese, Macclesfield Parish Church is to have a ring of twelve bells. For fourteen years the tenor has been cracked. Now it is to be recast, and two new bells added, and the whole are to be hung in a new frame. Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, are to carry out the work.

## NEW BELLS AT ALREWAS.

## PEAL OF EIGHT OPENED.

Alrewas Parish Church is now in the proud possession of a melodious ring of eight bells, which will send out their music o'er the countryside for many generations to come. Up to some months ago there hung in the tower six bells in a dilapidated timber framework, which was a source of danger when the bells were rung, while all the fittings were worn out and unfit to carry the bells with safety. Then the bells themselves contained such grave defects, and were so discordant in their harmonic tones that they fell very far short of being a musical peal. The conclusion was, therefore, arrived at that the only satisfactory restoration would be to recast them into a musical and pleasing peal, and after a great deal of consideration it was eventually decided to make the bells into a ring of eight. This work was placed in the capable hands of Messrs. Taylor and Co., of the famous Loughborough foundry, and the result, now that the work is completed, and the bells ringing forth in their rejuvenated state, is a beautifully sweet and pure-toned peal of bells. The effect of this perfectly tuned peal is simply marvellous when compared with that of the old ring and can only evoke admiration from all who hear its music.

The tenor weighs over 12 cwt., and the total weight of the eight bells and their fittings, etc., is over 10 tons. The fittings are of the latest modern design, and contain all those improvements which have been introduced by Messrs. Taylor and Co. in recent years, including the patent ball bearings in which the bells revolve. The framework which carries the bells is very strong and massive, being constructed of cast iron on stout steel foundation girders, all designed so that the strain placed on the tower by the swinging of the bells is reduced to the minimum.

## INSCRIPTION ON BELLS.

Each bell bears an inscription, the old inscriptions on the six original bells having been most religiously reproduced on the recast bells.

Treble.—W. A. Webb, Vicar. 11. A. Kent, Clerk, 1922.

2nd.—J. W. Brierley, G. H. Lord, Churchwardens, 1922.

3rd.—God save His Church, 1711. Recast 1922.

4th.—John Yeld Clark, 1711. Recast 1922.

5th.—Joseph Smith in Edgbaston made me 1711 Recast 1922.

6th.—Mr. Matthias Langley, Vicar. John Kirkland and William Stayley and Henry Kent, Churchwardens, 1711. Recast 1922.

7th.—My mournful sounde: doth warning give:  
that heere, men cannot allways live, 1711.  
Recast 1922.

Tenor.—J. Taylor and Co., Bellfounders, Loughborough, Leicestershire. W. Inge, Vicar. Edwin Sellick, Jos. Reynolds, Churchwardens, 1876.

I was given in 1876 by William Thomas in his 45th year of being parish clerk.

Tenor bell recast 1922 by consent of next-of-kin. A. Bryne, his niece.

The opening of these bells took place on Saturday, August 12th, when they were dedicated to the glory of God, and in pious memory of the Rev. W. A. Webb, for 32 years Vicar of the parish. The bells were handed in the name of the subscribers, to the priest-in-charge, the Rev. F. B. Alcock, by Mrs. Webb, widow of the late Vicar, who then placed them into the care of the churchwardens, Messrs. G. H. Lord and H. W. Brierley.

The Rev. Prebendary Paice, Rural Dean, formally dedicated the bells, after which the Alrewas ringers rang a short touch. The service was continued with evensong, and the Rural Dean gave a very appropriate address.

After the service was over, the bells were rung by ringers from Derby, Burton-on-Trent, Birmingham, Loughborough, Cannock and Alrewas.

The church, it is interesting to note, dates back to the year 822.

## FIFTY YEARS A RINGER.

At Barrow-on-Humber, on Saturday, August 12th, a half-muffled quarter-peal of Doubles, being four six-scores of Bob Doubles, and 64 of Grandsire in 50 mins., was rung for Mr. W. Crowder, senr., 50 years ringer at that church who was buried that day: Sam Wood 1. A. W. Hoodless 2. E. Dannatt 3. W. Goddard 4. W. Ayre (conductor) 5. C. Bilton (1st quarter) 6. Also 720 Bob Minor: S. Wood 1. W. Ayres (conductor) 2. E. Dannatt 3. A. W. Hoodless 4. — Moulson 5. W. Goddard 6. All except C. Bilton and — Moulson were from Barton.

## DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM MARKS.

## A LINK WITH PAST LEATHERHEAD RINGERS.

Members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild and the Surrey Association will regret to learn of the death of Mr. William Marks, of Leatherhead. The deceased had been ailing for some time past, and had done very little ringing during the last twelve months. On Sunday morning, August 13th, he had been for a walk round the churchyard, and, returning about 9.30 a.m., in the absence of his wife, rested awhile in a chair, where he passed quietly away from heart failure.

Born in 1850, Mr. Marks had lived in the town all his life. He had been connected with the Leatherhead band of ringers since he was 18 years of age, his father and grandfather having both been ringers before him. The latter, James Marks, took part in a 6,528 of Oxford Treble Bob Major as far back as 1795, and also rang in the 10,080 in the same method in 1808, and, with two of his sons, took part in a 5,184 in 1829.

Mr. Marks remembered his grandfather quite well, and could tell many stories which had been handed down of the doings of the ringers of Leatherhead and district in the old times when there was a good Treble Bob band at Leatherhead. The deceased had taken part in a great many peals, mostly of Grandsire Triples and Grandsire Caters, of which latter he had composed and conducted many himself. His ability as a composer of Caters was of no mean order, but his natural modesty would not permit him to publish any of his efforts. He often drily remarked that it was not 'composing,' but 'compiling.' On the death of Mr. S. Brooker, in 1894, he took the lead and remained captain of the Leatherhead company up to the time of his death.

He was one of the oldest and staunchest members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild, which he joined in 1880.

A joiner by trade he worked for one firm all his life. He was possessed of a marvellous memory, being able to measure up details of his own work, and, carrying no notebook, to keep measurements in his head, and go days after to the bench and set the work out. He was a man beloved by all for his uprightness of character, and lived, as he died, 'at peace with all.'

The funeral took place on Saturday afternoon, August 19th, at Leatherhead Churchyard. Four of his fellow ringers acted as bearers. As the cortege left the church for the grave, the bells were rung deeply muffled in rounds. After the committal, a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells over the open grave by Mrs. Hazelden, C. Hazelden, W. Melville and J. Hoyle. Afterwards the whole pull and stand was rung on the back eight of the church bells 71 times, corresponding with deceased's age. Three courses of Grandsire Caters followed. Ringing friends attended from Ewell, Epsom, Ashted, Guildford, and Dorking, in addition to the local band.

Many floral tributes were sent, including one from the Guildford district of the W.D.G., one from the Dorking company, and one from ringing friends at Ashted, Ewell, Epsom and Leatherhead.

On Sunday morning, August 20th, for Divine service, with the bells deeply muffled (the tenor open at back), a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) was rung as a tribute to the memory of a departed friend: T. Newnham 1. W. Messam 2. E. Hull 3. H. Boxall 4. A. C. Otway 5. G. Marnier 6. A. Dean (conductor) 7. A. H. Winch 8.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD FESTIVAL.

JULY 22nd, 1922.

In fairer ground lot could not fall  
For ringers to hold festival,  
Than where her stately towers are seen,  
Oxford, of English cities green.

Where should they for devotion come,  
Like loving children seeking home,  
But to their own Cathedral, dear  
For many memories year by year.

Cheered and refreshed by praise and prayer,  
When the Guild's business needs their care,  
The Chapter House, with ages hoar,  
Opens for them a welcoming door.

Honoured indeed their festival!  
Honour yet more—in Christchurch hall,  
'Mid the great spirits of the dead  
Upon the walls empictured.

At the long tables, row on row,  
They feast and ere to ringing go,  
Rise to the toast of Church and State,  
Who make and keep old England great.

R. H. HART-DAVIS.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

## THE CONSTRUCTION AND EXTENSION OF BRISTOL.

By A. YORK BRAMBLE.

In his previous articles relating to this subject, which appeared on pages 229 and 357, Mr. York Bramble examined the construction of a lead as it appears in a method and analysed a lead of Bristol in the light of this investigation. In the following article he sets out to prove that Bristol Surprise in its basic form is to be found in the Major, and that pure extensions can only be obtained on numbers which are multiples of four.

In the first part of our discourse we put forward three considerations: (a) What is 'method'? (b) What is 'extension' of method? (c) What differentiates extension as between 'single' and 'double' methods? The first and last of these questions have already been dealt with; but with regard to the second, we said that first of all we must find out whether that which we want to extend is in itself already an extension, or not, of something yet more elementary; and also that an investigation, on the lines to be indicated later, would give up the answer to that question. Let us now proceed with such an investigation in the case of Bristol.

The original example of the application of the author's 'principles of construction' in this case is found in Treble Bob Major form. Now, in the course of our preliminary considerations, we have already determined two facts about Bristol. They are:—

(1) That it is a double method, and that, therefore (as in all double methods), 'the fore and after parts comprise work which extends inwards from the sides of the block for equal distances.'

(2) That while this work in the fore and after parts of double methods may intermingle (e.g., as in Double Norwich and in Superlative), yet in Bristol this is never the case; the work here being so clearly divided in that way as to be called, appropriately, 'front work' and 'back work.'

Now further investigation will reveal: (3) That the character of the 'design' of the work of the fore and after parts is such that, with a Treble Bob hunt, it will apply only on even groups of symbols; and that to apply it to odd groups (and still avoid intermingling of fore and after parts), necessitates variation in the character of the design (i.e., introduction of something really foreign to the method); and the violation of one of the conventions in method construction—the introduction of three consecutive blows in one place.

(4) Therefore, since the number of symbols in the fore and after parts of the Bristol method (Treble Bob hunt) is always an even one, the extension or reduction of the method on various numbers is such that the size of the 'parts' (fore and after) remains the same for every group of consecutive two, from 4 (or Minimus) upwards, thus:—

Group:—	A.		B.		C.		
No. of Symbols or Bells:—	4	6	8	10	12	14	Etc.
Fore and after parts respectively contain:—	2+2	2+2+2	1+1	1+1+1	6+6	6+6+2	
(Even groups.)							

Now the reader's first observation will probably be that under the brackets containing 'stars,' the numbers, when added, give a total which is short of the parent number by two. Precisely. But if we include these two 'left-outs' by adding one to the fore and one to the after part, we shall then have odd groups instead of even; and we should find ourselves in the dilemma indicated under (1) above.

But what, asks the investigator, 'will these unfortunate "orphans" do?' The answer is clear: finding themselves together in the middle of the change block, there is only one thing they can do; they dodge together until the bells leaving the fore and after parts invite them to step in and take their respective places.

(5) Hence, since the extension (or reduction) of the Bristol method (with a Treble Bob hunt) takes place on quantities expressed in the following progression: 4, 8, 12, 16, 20, etc.; the compass of expression next below Major and Royal (B group above) would be that of Minimus and Minor (A group above), in which the fore and after parts would comprise two-bell work; and this (as we shall more clearly see later) is impossible with a Treble Bob hunt.

And thus we have proved, by means of these five conclusions above given, that with a Treble Bob hunt, Bristol is in its basic or elementary form in the Major.

Before we proceed to the question of actual extension of the Treble Bob form, from the Major upwards, it may be interesting to note, in passing, that while the Major is the lowest form of expression of what we may now call the principle of Bristol, with a Treble Bob hunt, yet it is capable of expression in more contracted forms with a plain treble hunt. Space does not admit of our detailing the deductive process which will give us these contracted expressions, nor of showing how it is that with a plain hunt the progression of extension proceeds smoothly from Minimus to Minor, and thence to Major, Royal, Maximus, etc.; and not, as with a Treble Bob hunt, in groups of pairs. We may just add, however, that in the Minimus we have simply plain hunting; the Bristol Bob giving us the extent of 24 changes. In the Minor, all five working bells do simply

what we know as 'the Slow' in Stedman; and in the Major we have a change block, in which every change is found in the Treble Bob Major change block, thus:—

1325	4768
1234	5678
2143	6587
2413	5678
4231	5768
2435	1786
2345	7168
3254	7618
2345	6781
2138	5871

Etc.

Now it will be remembered that in the early stages of our investigations we said that, in proceeding towards our conclusions we must be careful to test, step by step, the generalisations deduced; even to the extent of their restricted application when the working of the treble bell is modified from Treble Bob hunt to plain hunt; and, indeed, we shall find that the generalisations, at which we have already arrived, are comprehensive with regard to these expressions of the Bristol method with a plain hunt, as now given.

Having determined, then, that with a Treble Bob hunt the basic expression of Bristol is found in the Major, we are now in a position to analyse a change-block of Bristol Major; with special reference to the positions of the complexities of the working units, relative to the path of the exempt or regulating unit (the treble bell). As we have already seen, it will be quite sufficient for us to examine only a quarter-block (since it is a double method), as given below:—

In this quarter-block the vertical line divides the fore part from the after part; and the middle horizontal line marks the point where the regulating unit (the treble bell) has completed just half of its journey through the quarter-block. We shall hereafter refer to this line as the 'mid-quarter-line'; for it appears in and marks a vital point in the development of the quarter-block of Bristol on any number of units.

We are now ready to establish the actual details of the principles of construction of Bristol with a Treble Bob hunt. First, let us take the fore part of the quarter-block. Here we find practically nothing but dodging; the only variation being that at the parting of the 'sections,' in order to accommodate the progress of the treble bell along its Treble Bob hunt-path, the bell it has just dodged with, and the bell it will next dodge with, both make a place at the same time; all other bells in the fore part continue their dodging; and this holds good for the fore part of the first quarter-block of the method on any number of units. (It should be noted that in the Major (Treble Bob) there is only one section-parting in the quarter block; and that it is coincident with the position of the mid-quarter line.)

Now in the after part we find plain hunting pure and simple, the mid-quarter-line playing its vital part, in that it divides the direct plain hunting above, from the retrograde plain hunting below; the interruptions in the plain hunting (at the change over from direct to retrograde), occurring along this mid-quarter-line; and this holds good for the after part of the first quarter-block of the method on any number of units.

Before we apply our conclusions to the actual business of extension, however, it will be as well to note—(a) One or two facts of inter-relationship in the 'design' of the complete change-block. (sometimes called the 'shunts.') (b) A point of vital importance, in what we may term the 'middle-dodging' position of the Treble, in all Treble Bob methods on numbers dividing into two odd halves (e.g., Royal into 5 and 5—odd). (c) Whether or not the method recently published as 'Bristol Royal' is at variance with what the basic principles (which we have now established) will give us.

This done, we can produce, and leave, with every confidence, the true extensions to Royal and Maximus.

(To be concluded.)

## QUALIFYING 120's.

On Monday, August 14th, at Newton St. Cyres, Exeter, 240 Stedman Doubles: Mrs. A. D. Barker 1. A. D. Barker 2. W. S. Lethbridge 3. J. C. Oke 4. F. J. Davey 5. F. H. Gardner 6.—Also 120 Grandire Doubles: F. Weeks 1. W. S. Lethbridge 2. F. J. Davey 3. F. H. Gardner 4. A. D. Barker 5. G. Luxton 6.—Also 120 Grandire Doubles: Mrs. A. D. Barker 1. R. Bray 2. A. D. Barker 3. F. H. Gardner 4. F. J. Davey 5. W. S. Lethbridge 6.—Also 120 Grandire Doubles: A. D. Barker 1. J. C. Oke 2. G. Cole 3. F. H. Gardner 4. W. S. Lethbridge 5. G. Luxton 6.—Also 120 Grandire Doubles: W. S. Lethbridge 1. Mrs. A. D. Barker 2. J. C. Oke 3. A. D. Barker 4. G. Luxton 5. F. J. Davey 6. The above were the first 120's by F. Weekes, R. Bray, G. Cole and G. Luxton, and qualified them as change ringing members of the Devonshire Guild. The whole conducted by A. D. Barker.



### SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**BRISTOL.**—At St. James' Church, on Sunday, August 20th, for morning service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: G. Way (longest touch) 1, E. Guise (conductor) 2, G. Pearce 3, C. Walton 4, A. Pearce 5, W. Hunter 6, H. Way 7, E. E. Wallace 8.

**BARNES.**—At the Church of St. Mary, on Sunday, August 20th, for evening service, 1,260 Stedman Triples: R. Mackrill 1, H. Barrett 2, H. Stevens 3, H. Dyas 4, F. Skevington 5, H. Cook 6, C. Hunt (conductor) 7, J. Willmott 8. Also rung as a compliment to the second daughter of Mr. H. Barrett on her 21st birthday.

**PETERSFIELD, HANTS.**—At St. Peter's Church, on Sunday, August 20th, for morning service, in 50 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: S. Pocock 1, A. Butler 2, G. Barnes 3, G. R. Newton (conductor) 4, W. Butler 5, A. J. Garrett 6, W. J. Read 7, H. Mells 8. Arranged for G. R. Newton, who hails from Diverpool.

**ERITH.**—At St. John the Baptist's Church, on August 20th, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: W. Smith 1, F. Groves (Woodwich) conductor, 2, D. Harvey 3, J. Lowrey 4, F. Cullum, senr., 5, J. Morton 6, A. Morton 7, W. R. Middleton (first 504) 8.

**DUNSTABLE, BEDS.**—At the Priory Church, for evensong, on August 20th, 560 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: G. Heley 1, Canon Baker 2, A. V. Good 3, E. M. King 4, F. Baldoock 5, F. Ramsey 6, J. B. Marks 7, A. E. Sharman (conductor) 8. Longest length of Double Norwich by an entirely local band. — Also two Grandsire Triples, with P. Ward and A. G. Matthews for Canon Baker and F. Baldoock.

**CLARE, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, August 20th, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: G. Wiffen 1, H. Cooper 2, B. W. Pettitt 3, C. Moore 4, J. Ford 5, A. Shufflebotham (conductor) 6, A. Saunders 7, A. Richold 8.

**NEWBURY, BERKS.**—On Sunday, August 20th, for evening service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Poole 1, E. Smith 2, C. Pearce 3, A. Bird 4, W. A. Dorney 5, S. Quintin 6, H. W. Curtis (conductor) 7, H. Smith 8 (rung in 45 minutes). First quarter as conductor. A. Bird and H. Smith are from Thatcham.

**EXETER.**—Devonshire Guild. — On Sunday, August 13th, at St. David's, Exeter, for morning service, 504 Stedman Triples: Mrs. A. D. Barker 1, A. D. Barker (conductor) 2, F. H. Gardner 3, C. Carter 4, J. C. Oke 5, W. S. Lethbridge 6, F. J. Davey 7, S. Milton 8. — At St. Michael and All Angels, Heavitree, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: Mrs. A. D. Barker 1, W. S. Lethbridge 2, A. D. Barker (conductor) 3, F. R. Gardner 4, J. C. Oke 5, F. J. Davey 6, J. R. Sandover 7, F. Rogers 8.

**SOUTH SHORE, LANCASHIRE.** — On Sunday evening, August 13th, for service, at the Parish Church, 720 Bob Minor: G. Drake (Brighouse) 1, A. Beaumont 2, C. Gaultier 3, H. Kirk (Barlborough) 4, J. Rawcliffe 5, A. Atkinson (conductor) 6. The treble and the 4th ringers were on a visit to South Shore, and obliged the local company by taking part.

**OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.** — On Sunday, August 13th, for morning service, 588 Grandsire Triples (taken from Holt's Ten-Part): T. Marshall 1, R. Martin 2, R. Edwards 3, J. Hughes 4, H. T. Hughes 5, W. B. Kynaston 6, R. T. Evans (conductor) 7, E. H. Kynaston. — For evening service, 503 Grandsire Triples: R. Edwards 1, R. Martin 2, J. Hughes 3, H. T. Hughes 4, H. Jarman 5, W. B. Kynaston 6, R. T. Evans (conductor) 7, G. Beaton 8.

**FOLKESTONE.**—On Sunday, August 13th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: J. Coppins 1, N. Hope 2, Miss E. Jarvis 3, A. Binfield 4, B. Bridges 5, S. Binfield (conductor) 6, T. Farley 7, W. Knight 8.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.**—At Emmanuel Church, on Sunday, August 13th, for evening service, after meeting short for Triples, 720 Bob Minor, in 27 mins., with tenor covering: W. Price 1, W. Rundle 2, W. Hobbs 3, A. Kentfield 4, H. Burner 5, J. Woodley (conductor) 6, S. Symons 8.

**BUCKLEY, FLINT.** — At St. Matthew's Church before evening service, on Sunday, August 13th, in 46 mins., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): C. W. Bragg 1, A. H. Jones 2, E. Shone 3, P. Roberts (first quarter-peal) 4, S. Birks 5, C. H. Jones 6, E. Messham (conductor) 7, Wm. Bellis 8. The ringer of the treble hails from St. Alphege Church, Solihull.

**ACTON, MIDDLESEX.** — On Sunday, August 13th for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), from 'Holt's Original,' in 45 mins.: M. England 1, S. D. Breeze 2, Miss I. Hastie 3, Robt. Fardon (conductor) 4, H. G. Wincote 5, C. A. Brown 6, E. W. Coulson 7, A. E. Smith 8. — For evening service, an attempt for a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples failed, with only two courses to complete. Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Miss I. Hastie.

**BEESTON, NOTTS.**—For evening service, on Sunday August 13th, 1,280 Double Norwich Major: F. S. Price 1, \*E. C. Shepherd (Solihull) 2, W. A. Jones 3, A. B. Moss 4, J. C. Dicken 5, W. Clifford, junr., 6, A. Coppock (conductor) 7, P. Price 8. \* First quarter-peal in the method.

**LITTLE STAUGHTON, BEDS.** — On Sunday, August 13th, for evening service, 600 Grandsire Doubles: H. Bosworth 1, N. Smith 2, R. Gray 3, T. Townsend 4, T. H. Townsend (conductor) 5. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Thos. Franklin, an old ringer. After service, 720 Grandsire Doubles with the bells open: H. Bosworth 1, N. Smith 2, R. Gray 3, T. H. Townsend 4, T. Townsend (first as conductor) 5.

**SALEHURST, SUSSEX.** — At St. Mary's Church, after evening service, on Sunday, August 13th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: Jas. Goodsell 1, F. Morgan 2, W. Hoad (conductor) 3, C. Creasey 4, T. Booth 5, T. Hoad 6, E. Mills 7, A. Lightfoot (Liverpool) 8.

**CIRENCESTER, GLOS.** — On Sunday, August 6th at the Parish Church, for 9.30 service, two courses Grandsire Caters: E. Jefferies 1, F. W. Bond 2, H. Lewis 3, W. G. Cook 4, W. Trueman 5, A. W. Bond 6, L. A. Wilson 7, H. C. Bond 8, J. J. Jefferies 9, J. Hayward 10. — At Watermoor, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): F. W. Bond 1, J. E. Waters 2, W. G. Cook 3, A. W. Bond 4, W. Trueman 5, L. A. Wilson 6, H. C. Bond (conductor) 7, J. Hayward 8.

**BOURNEMOUTH.**—On Sunday, August 6th, for evening service, at St. Peter's, 742 Grandsire Triples: C. Loveall 1, G. Williams (conductor) 2, H. Goodenough 3, A. Medd 4, C. Forst 5, M. Angel 6, J. Bennett 7, E. Garrett 8. Longest touch by ringers of the 3rd and 4th. Messrs. Page (Worcester) and Wilson (Dublin) also took part in touches for morning service.

**HITCHIN, HERTS.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday afternoon, August 6th, for the opening of the local war memorial, 736 Bob Major, with the bells half-muffled: H. Else 1, H. E. Day 2, O. Cannon 3, R. Croft 4, G. Wolfe 5, L. Fidler 6, G. Croft 7, W. J. Croft (conductor) 8. — For evensong, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes), in 52 mins.: H. Else 1, Miss K. Willers (first in the method) 2, O. Cannon 3, W. J. Croft 4, G. Wolfe 5, H. E. Day 6, L. Fidler 7, G. T. Croft (conductor) 8. Miss Willers belongs to Trumpington, Cambs.

**RAWMARSH.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, August 6th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,344 changes), in 49 mins.: A. Mitchell 1, F. C. Wilson 2, A. G. Stocks 3, E. Liversedge 4, E. Panminter 5, G. Take (first as conductor) 6, B. Ingle (first quarter) 7, H. K. White 8.

**MARKET HARBOROUGH.**—On July 30th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins.: S. Richardson 1, W. Wallington 2, T. B. Smith 3, E. S. Cotton 4, F. Wallington 5, A. Manning 6, W. Hector (conductor) 7, W. Meadows 8. — For evening service, 504 Stedman Doubles, 7-6-8 covering: E. S. Cotton 1, W. Wallington 2, A. Manning 3, Fred Wallington 4, W. Hector (conductor) 5, Frank Wallington 6, S. Richardson 7, W. Meadows 8.

**GREAT STAUGHTON, HUNTS.** — On Sunday, July 30th, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor: G. Franklin 1, N. Smith 2, F. W. Luck 3, H. Bosworth 4, T. Townsend 5, T. H. Townsend (conductor) 6.

**BRIDGNORTH.**—On Sunday, July 23rd, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples: W. R. Twist 1, W. H. Jones 2, J. Hopkin 3, W. Clifford 4, O. Norman 5, A. A. Jones 6, W. Davis (conductor) 7, E. Plummer 8.

### ST. STEPHEN'S GUILD, BRISTOL.

On Bank Holiday, St. Stephen's Guild, Bristol, had their annual outing. Leaving Bristol at 8 o'clock in the morning, by charabanc, they journeyed to Bradford-on-Avon, where they were met by the Vicar, who conducted them over the church and the old Saxon chapel, and gave a most interesting description of the ancient building. The helfry was visited, and touches of Stedman Triples and Cambridge Major were rung. Proceeding to Trowbridge the visitors were met by Mr. Sam Hector, and made straight for the Parish Church, where touches of Stedman, Double Norwich and London Surprise were brought round, after which dinner was partaken of, and a move made for Westbury, where the very fine peal of eight (tenor 35 cwt.) was soon going to Stedman Triples and London Surprise, with a touch of Grandsire for the local ringers. The tone of these bells is beautiful, and the 'go' everything that could be desired.

Moving on again, Warminster was reached shortly after 5 o'clock, and short touches of Stedman and Cambridge Surprise were rung at the Parish Church. After tea a start was made for Beckington where a nice light little peal of eight was found, and touches of Stedman Triples rung. Time only allowed a short stay here before a start was made for home, Bristol being reached, through the beautiful valley at Limply Stoke and Bath, at 10 p.m., after a most enjoyable day's outing.

The Guild wish to thank, through 'The Ringing World,' the Vicars of the various churches for the use of their bells, and Mr. Hector and friends for having the bells ready for them.

## AMONG THE NOTTS VILLAGES.

BY A CHEERFUL WRITER.

Saturday afternoon was a good day for ducks and ringers. As a famous ringer somewhere near Bolsover has been heard to say, 'You may as well be ringing a peal on a wet Saturday as anything else.' So a cheerful band set out by motor from Mansfield, and there was no 'grousing,' even though it was August 12th. The motor filled up at 1.30, and we picked up a venerable and much-respected member of various associations near Woodhouse, who remarked that he was hungry as soon as he got in! Away we sped to Edwinstowe, but did not stop. We had been there before in the days when six cart ropes hung from the ceiling. Otterton, with one large bell and four gongs, did not detain us, and we soon reached Ossington Hall. Here is a small private church, delightfully situated in the gardens, with a light peal of six, about 7 cwt. They take some handling, but are a lively little peal, and various touches were brought round. Lady Elinor Donison came in for a few minutes, and said she was delighted to hear the bells, as they are very rarely heard in changes.

They were presented about sixty years ago by a former Speaker of the House of Commons. The parish clerk directed us carefully to Sutton-on-Trent. Just as we were leaving he thought perhaps after all we had better go another road, as he had heard a bridge was washed away. We rather thought the same as he! Sutton has a new peal which are as perfect as they well can be. The re-opening was described recently, and they certainly are a pleasure to ring on. One day they will make a grand eight. All too soon we had to leave and express our cordial thanks to the local men for coming to meet us. The wooden stairs are rather steep, and the grandfather of the party didn't trouble to use them all; perhaps he thought he was stepping into the 'cage'; at any rate he descended to the bottom with more haste than dignity.

Along the great North Road we splashed towards Tuxford; five members remarked they were famished, but the leader begged them to have patience. The Vicar kindly said we could ring as long as we pleased—the honour of this remark we discovered later. Fortunately for one member, you ring in this church from the ground-floor. The tenor is 16 cwt., and not a bad bell, the third seemed about forty when pulling off; it needed a good man to raise her, and two more to inspect the bearings before the bells went off to Kent and other methods. Once more, thanks to the local men for their presence. We hear an instructor is coming every week; we hope he is a powerful man who likes a bit of work after tea!

We proceeded towards Kirton, who sold their bell years ago for eight Harington tubes, and thence to Perlethorpe in Thoresby Park. The band was absolutely ravenous, and the leader had difficulty in making them walk at a decent rate up to the Vicarage (where they had been invited to tea) lest they should be mistaken for a pack of wolves. We were received with hospitality such as is rarely met with in these days, and settled down to a long touch, which was silent. The Vicar's daughter can ring a bit herself, and certainly she kept 'rounds' going with the plates in fine style. The course-ends came in rapid succession, and it was some time before the leader felt he could 'stand' without being unpopular. We went across the park to the church, with a nice little peal about thirty years old. The turret stairs are very narrow, and we saw one member going up sideways, but didn't like to make any remark, as we had already spoken to him about the room he took up in the motor. Here the local men came to watch and see 'how it's done,' and a good 720 was brought round. A moulder (treble), a sanitary inspector, a miner (conductor), a guard, a chauffeur, and a parson on the tenor: it sounds a mixed band, but one touch of Treble Bob 'makes the whole world kin'—sometimes.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and Mrs. Cardew, after which handbells were produced out of their bag, which had caused some confusion earlier in the afternoon by our miner mistaking it for a snap-bag. Several members seemed afraid of their wives, so we returned in good time, very pleased with our outing, and firmly resolved to have another.

## MITCHAM SOCIETY IN KENT.

The Mitcham Society, Surrey, held its 64th annual excursion on Saturday, July 29th. The members, accompanied by the clergy, churchwardens and friends, met in the Mitcham tower at 6 a.m., and after ringing two short touches on the bells set out for Westerham. Having appetites sharpened by the morning ride, breakfast was heartily enjoyed.

The Vicar of Westerham, the Rev. Canon Boyd, kindly met the ringers, and described the architecture of the church. Touches were rung on the fine peal of bells, and after viewing the hero of Quebec's Statue, the party made their way to Edenbridge, stopping on the way to enjoy the beautiful view from the top of Crockham Hill. On reaching Edenbridge, the party were welcomed by the Vicar, the Rev. H. O. Edwards, and ringing on this musical peal was much enjoyed, the time passing all too quickly.

At Tonbridge the party were greeted with the ringing of the bells, for the town was celebrating the anniversary of its famous school. The local ringers kindly handed over the ropes, and a short touch of Stedman Triples was brought round.

After partaking of a most enjoyable luncheon, Horsmonden was the next place of call. Words fail to fully describe the beauties of this delightful rural spot, the home of Mr. J. A. Lambert, who has been a member of the Mitcham Society for nearly 30 years. After enjoying the view from the tower of the church and other items of interest, particularly the quaint ringing chamber, tea was served amidst ideal surroundings. The party was loth to leave, but, being warned by the Master (Mr. J. D. Drewett) that it was time to go, tracks were made for home, Mitcham being reached about 10 p.m., with the pleasantest impression of a never-to-be-forgotten day.

The party take this opportunity of thanking all those who helped to make the day so enjoyable, not least Mr. J. D. Drewett for his most excellent organisation of the excursion.

## LANCASHIRE SURPRISE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Allow me to point out to Mr. Ridgway and the ringing Exercise in general, that the figures he publishes as 'Look' Surprise in your issue of August 11th are over 20 years old. I published them in February or March, 1907, as 'Lancashire' Surprise. By a curious coincidence I received by the same post as my copy of 'The Ringing World' containing the figures a post card from Mr. Houldsworth, of Oswaldtwistle, saying that they had been successful in ringing the first peal of this very same method, upon which I congratulate them.

The method is the twin sister to Bristol, and is just as worthy of the public recognition that Bristol has received. Appended are the figures of Lancashire Royal, a method on the top stave of the ladder, along with Bristol Royal. I am sure the time is not far distant when such methods will be practised on the larger numbers of bells.—Yours truly,

ARTHUR CRAVEN.

## LANCASHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0  
2 1 4 3 5 7 6 9 8 0  
1 2 3 4 7 5 9 6 0 8  
2 1 4 3 7 9 5 0 6 8

2 4 1 3 9 7 0 5 8 6  
4 2 3 1 7 9 5 0 6 8  
2 4 1 3 7 5 9 6 0 8  
4 2 3 1 5 7 6 9 8 0

2 4 3 5 1 6 7 8 9 0  
2 3 4 5 6 1 8 7 0 9  
3 2 5 4 1 6 7 8 9 0  
2 3 4 5 6 1 7 9 8 0

2 4 3 6 5 7 1 9 0 8  
4 2 6 3 7 5 9 1 8 0  
4 6 2 7 3 5 1 9 0 8  
6 4 7 2 5 3 9 1 8 0

4 6 2 7 3 5 9 8 1 0  
4 2 6 3 7 5 8 9 0 1  
2 4 3 6 5 7 9 8 1 0  
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1

3 2 5 4 7 6 9 8 0 1  
3 5 2 7 4 6 8 9 1 0  
5 3 7 2 6 4 9 8 0 1  
5 7 3 6 2 4 8 9 1 0

7 5 6 3 4 2 8 1 9 0  
5 7 3 6 2 4 1 8 0 9  
5 3 7 2 6 4 8 1 9 0  
3 5 2 7 4 6 1 8 0 9

3 2 5 4 7 1 6 8 9 0  
2 3 4 5 1 7 6 9 8 0  
3 2 5 4 7 1 9 6 0 8  
3 5 2 4 1 7 6 9 8 0

5 3 2 1 4 6 7 8 9 0  
3 5 1 2 6 4 8 7 0 9  
5 3 2 1 6 8 4 0 7 9  
3 5 1 2 8 6 0 4 9 7

3 1 5 2 6 8 4 0 7 9  
1 3 2 5 6 4 8 7 0 9  
3 1 5 2 4 6 7 8 9 0  
1 3 2 5 4 7 6 9 8 0

1 3 5 2 7 4 9 6 0 8

Bob to be made in 4th's place.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

### SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m. Bishopsgate, August 28th. Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th at 5.15 p.m. Send your name in for the Summer outing on Saturday, Sept. 9th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames St., on Aug. 31st; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 24th, all at 7.30 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A district meeting will be held of the Halesworth branch of the Association at Halesworth on Saturday, Aug. 26th, at 2 p.m. Tea will be served at the Swan Hotel at 1/6 per head. The rings of 5 bells of the parishes of Wissett and Chedeston will also be available.—W. Kerrison, Dist. Sec., Wissett.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Kettering District.—A Special meeting will be held at Rothwell on Saturday, August 26th. Usual arrangements.—R. G. Black, Geddingdon, Kettering.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Winchester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Dibden on Saturday, August 26th. Bells available: Dibden (8), Fawley (6). Tea at 5 o'clock.—W. T. Tucker, 71, High Street, Eastleigh.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—The annual branch meeting will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, August 26th. Bells ready at 3. Tea and Social, 1/6 each, 5.30; meeting following. All ringers and friends invited.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Slimbridge on Saturday, August 26th. Bells from 3 p.m.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—A meeting at Fishlake on Saturday, August 26th. Tea provided for those who notify me before the 22nd. Copies of the group photo taken at Campsall are now ready. Post Cards 5/- per doz. Enlargements mounted 10ins. x 14ins., 5/- each.—Orders received by Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Clifton on Saturday, August 26th. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—Thos. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Alban's District.—A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, August 26th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea arrangements will be made on the day. All ringers welcome.—Wm. Nash, Dist. Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—The next meeting will be held at Elstow on Saturday, August 26th. Bells available from 2.30. It is hoped that tea will be provided. All ringing friends and visitors invited to ring on John Bunyan's Bell.—H. L. Harlow, Dist. Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—A combined practice will be held at Godalming on Saturday, August 26th. Bells available from 6 to 9. All ringers welcome.—E. Raddon, Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Gloucester Branch.—Next meeting at Frampton, Saturday, August 26th. Tea provided. Regret short notice owing to holidays.—Capt. A. A. Bennett, Branch Sec., Newton House, Gloucester.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held at All Saints', Fulham, on Saturday, September 2nd. Tower open from 5 to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14A, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Ambleside on Saturday, Sept. 2nd, at 4 p.m. The bells (8) will be available at 1 p.m.—W. T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Branch.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Marshfield on Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Please notify by August 28th.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.—Meeting at Wortley, Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Bells ready 2 p.m. Meat tea 2/6 each. Please send notice to Mr. W. A. Wooler, New Lodge, Wortley, before August 31st.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec., Chesterfield.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at Betchworth on Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Tower open 3.30 p.m. (8 bells). Service at 5 p.m. Tea 5.45.—H. F. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The Annual Branch meeting will be held at St. Nicholas, Newchurch, on Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 7. Subscriptions are due. Business important.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Aughton, near Ormskirk, on Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting, 6.30 p.m. Will ringers and friends turn up in good numbers?—John Halsall, Branch Secretary.

BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Roystone on Saturday Sept. 9th. Bells available at 2 p.m. Those requiring tea must forward their names to Mr. Walter Hemmings, 52, Church Hill, Roystone, near Barnsley, not later than Sept. 4th. All are invited.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Woodchurch on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at Barman's Bakery at 5 o'clock.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held at Netheravon on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A General meeting of the Association will be held at Northowram on Saturday, September 9th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. onward. Tea will be provided in the Church Schools at 5 p.m., for which a charge of 1/6 each will be made. All applications for tickets must reach Mr. Albert Wright, 16, Mount Pleasant, Northowram, near Halifax, not later than first post Tuesday, Sept. 5th. For further details see circulars.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at St. Franciscus, Liverpool, on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells ready at 4.30. Meeting 6.30.—Walter Hughes, Branch Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—A District meeting will be held at Aldershot on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells (8) available at 3. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The First Annual Commemoration Dinner, to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Association, will be held at the Griffin Hotel, Boar Lane, Leeds, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, at 6 p.m. Tickets 5s. 6d. each can be obtained from P. J. Johnson, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds, and application for same should be made not later than first post Monday, Sept. 18th.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Preliminary Notice.—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Isham, Nr. Kettering, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Fuller particulars later.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. G. F. Swann has removed to 138, Heathfield Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**RINGERS** are invited to Grand Bazaar and Garden Fête in Rectory Grounds, Kington Magna, Dorset, on Thursday, August 31st. Music by Gillingham Town Band. Tower and handbells available 2 to 10 p.m.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

**CHANGE RINGER** requires Situation. Any position of trust. Excellent references. Available at once, London or suburbs preferred. Small pension from H.M. Household.—H. Dyas, 185, East Street Buildings, Baker Street, W.1.

#### DEATH.

**LINTER.**—On Aug. 13th, at the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Mabel Alice Linter, wife of W. Linter, 33, Jesse Terrace, Reading.

#### A NEW TRIPLES METHOD.

By A. J. PITMAN.

The following will no doubt be found interesting to those who are looking for a musical Triples method, in which the extent can be obtained without having to use a lot of consecutive calls or singles. The peal containing never more than two consecutive calls; therefore, the bells are not kept dodging behind too long.

PLAIN COURSE.		5040 QUICK SIX TRIPLES.	
1234567	continued	2314567	2315476
2135476	1462735	1764253	15 7534126 30
2314567	1647253	4671325	1 4357612 1
3241657	6142735	3217456	19 3214765 14
3426175	6417253	7123645	1 4123576 1
4321657	4612735	5571246	24 7425136 29
3412567	4167253	1735624	1 5247613 1
4315276	1476523	1762435	4 6174532 19
4132567	1745632	2671543	1 4716253 1
1423657	7146523	7531462	9 6173245 34
1246375	7415632	1357246	1 3716524 1
2143657	4716523	1324657	4 3752416 4
2416375	4175632	4231765	1 2573641 1
4213657	1457362	4276531	4 7613452 9
4126375	1543726	6724153	1 3167245 1
	5147362	2134576	9 P. 3126574 4
	5413726	4312657	1 Twice repeated,
		3754261	14 finish with
		4573126	1 Holt's Single.
		Plain 1236457	19 96 Bobs only.

Repeat six times.  
Bobs as in Stedman.  
Should be used in pairs  
at a-b.

Twice repeated with Holt's Single in middle of last six, produces 2315476.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
COVENTRY.

#### PUBLICATION.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF  
LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton,  
Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to  
XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers  
I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in  
cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair  
Home, Wokingham.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. AGGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

«ROPE-SIGHT,' 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.  
«GRANDSIRE,' 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.  
«STANDARD METHODS,' 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.  
«STEDMAN,' 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.  
«TREBLE BOB,' 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.  
«PART II.—At present out of print.  
«DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.'—Out of print at present.  
All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ...	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price ...	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Gaud-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 898. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 8d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### OUTINGS AND TOURS.

At this time of year, when the holiday spirit is abroad, it is to be observed in the doings of ringers just as much as among other classes of folk, and outings and tours are a feature of ringing activity. Some of these excursions are strenuous affairs, and a big mileage and many towers are covered in a single day, for the advent of the motor charabanc has added many joys and a far wider range of action than was formerly possible. Before this modern coaching system was introduced, a ringer's 'day out' was usually limited in scope to the capacity of a pair of horses, or, if they would seek more distant fields, it had to be by means of the railway train, and there is little pleasure to be had from the hours spent in this mode of travel. But the boom in the petrol-driven coach has changed all this, and to the pleasures of a day in the open air is added the opportunity of covering much new ground. And while these trips are carried out, first and foremost in the spirit of pure enjoyment, they also serve another good purpose, in that they extend the brotherhood to be found in the Exercise, and often introduce ringers to fresh towers, thereby giving them a wider experience than they could otherwise obtain, for it must not be forgotten that many who take part in these excursions have exceedingly limited opportunity of doing any ringing outside their own tower.

Ringings tours extending over a week or more are of a different character to these day excursions, and are usually of a much more serious nature. On these tours peals are generally the sole aim of those who participate, and if ringers care to spend their holidays in this strenuous way, that is no concern of other people. The Cambridge University Guild tour last year, however, struck a somewhat different line, and, while some peal ringing was indulged in, the excursion was not organised solely to that end. Many towers were visited where only touches were rung, and we can well believe that there is equal pleasure to be got out of a trip of this kind, for there is more leisure to enjoy the other things that go to the making of a holiday as well as peal ringing. We should like to see more tours organised with the object of extending interest in the art—missionary tours, as it were, carrying change-ringing to places where it is seldom, if ever, practised, and seeking to arouse interest in the scientific ringing of church bells. In this connection we recall the unobtrusive but valuable efforts of the late Mr. William Gifford on many of the tours in which he took part. He was never happier than when, the bells being rung by his friends, he could gather some of the local ringers round him outside the church, and, in his inimitable way, expound to them the importance of good striking and of open leads, the advantages of method ringing, and kindred subjects. He was a 'missionary' par excellence, and the Exercise would be the richer for others of his type.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Aug. 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter Mancroft,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5014 CHANGES;**

Tenor 43 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb.

CHARLES E. BORRETT ... Treble	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... 7
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... 8
THOMAS FAULKNER ... 3	GEORGE MAYERS ... 9
ROBERT HARDY ... 4	FRANK R. COPEMAN ... 10
CHARLES T. COLES ... 5	GEORGE H. CROSS ... 11
BEN S. THOMPSON ... 6	FRANK H. DAVEY ... Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal of Stedman Cinques.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 26 cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS ... Treble	THOMAS BALDWIN ... 7
WILLIAM T. PATES ... 2	GEORGE WALTERS ... 8
WILLIAM MARTIN ... 3	EDWARD EVANS ... 9
REGINALD BROUGH ... 4	JOHN AUSTIN ... 10
THOMAS NEWMAN ... 5	JOHN F. BALLINGER ... 11
JESSE GILLET ... 6	FRANK COLE ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by J. D. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal of Stedman Cinques. Ringers of the 1st and 5th hail from London, 2nd and 3rd from Cheltenham, 4th from Croydon, 8th and 11th from Leckhampton, 6th, 7th, 9th and 10th from Gloucester and tenor from Painswick. The thanks of the company are hereby tendered to Mr. Austin for his kindness in arranging the peal.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... Treble	JAMES E. DAVIES ... 6
ARTHUR MASON ... 2	FRED C. MAYNARD ... 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... 3	HAROLD W. CLARK ... 8
GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN. ... 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... 9
JAMES C. ADAMS ... 5	ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by R. MAYNARD, JUN. Conducted by ARTHUR MASON.

\* First peal on ten bells.

BRISTOL.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Church of St. Stephen the Martyr,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

FREDK. G. LEAKER ... Treble	CHARLES H. GORDON ... 6
EDWIN J. RIDLER ... 2	WILLIAM KNIGHT ... 7
EDWIN J. BROWN ... 3	HENRY PRING ... 8
ALFRED E. REEVES ... 4	GEORGE CONDLICK, SEN. ... 9
WILLIAM A. CAVE ... 5	JOHN A. BURFORD ... Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by ALFRED E. REEVES.

**ALFRED BOWELL,  
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,  
IPSWICH.**

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM &amp; NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Aug. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 22½ cwt.

WILLIAM GOFTON ... ..	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... ..	5
GEORGE R. HOLMES ... ..	*ADAM DEAS... ..	6
JAMES E. GOFTON ... ..	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD... ..	7
R. ALDER GOFTON ... ..	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... ..	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by JOSEPH A. GOFTON.

\* First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the marriage of Mr. John Anderson (a member of the local band) to Miss Jessie Wilson.

CHEWTON MENDIP, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt.

MRS. R. J. WILKINS ... ..	ALBERT E. STOWELL ... ..	5
WILLIAM A. CAVE ... ..	WALTER FARLEY... ..	6
FREDERICK G. LEAKER ... ..	ALFRED E. REEVES ... ..	7
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... ..	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM &amp; NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Aug. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*ADAM DEAS... ..	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... ..	5
*EDWARD A. HERN ... ..	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... ..	6
GEORGE R. HOLMES... ..	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD... ..	7
JAMES E. GOFTON ... ..	R. ALDER GOFTON ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by JOSEPH GOFTON.

\* First peal of Bristol.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. THOMAS AND EDMUND,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

*EDWIN F. STRINGER... ..	BERNARD W. WITCHELL ... ..	5
FREDERICK DICKENS... ..	WILLIAM G. ANKER ... ..	6
PHILIP F. PLUMLEY ... ..	JAMES GEORGE ... ..	7
THOMAS MILLER ... ..	BERTRAM LEEDHAM ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. William James Walker to Miss Margaret Agnes Seaborne, which took place on the above date, the bride being the eldest daughter of Mr. Jacob Seaborne, a respected member of St. Thomas's band of ringers. \* First peal.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SAVIOUR,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 27 cwt.

*R. JOHN VERNON ... ..	W. SYDNEY SHELTON ... ..	5
†ALICK BRIGGS ... ..	WILLIAM H. CLARKE ... ..	6
ALBERT E. VERNON ... ..	ERNEST MORRIS... ..	7
JOSIAS MORRIS ... ..	†JEREMIAH VERNON ... ..	Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Triples. First peal on these bells by all the band except 4th ringer. All belong to St. Saviour's except Messrs. J. and E. Morris, of St. Margaret's.

PARBOLD, LANCASHIRE. — On Monday, August 14th, at the Parish Church, 720 Oxford Treble Bob, in 24 mins.: A. Norris 1, H. Layland 2, J. Booth 3, W. E. Austin 4, J. W. Grounds 5, T. Marshall (conductor) 6.

WARNHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

WALTER CHARMAN ... ..	HENRY C. CASTLE ... ..	5
JOHN AKEHURST ... ..	HARRY PARKES ... ..	6
ALFRED J. BULL ... ..	GEORGE ELLIS ... ..	7
JOHN COOK ... ..	OLIVER SIPPETTS... ..	Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

The ringers of the 5th and 6th hail from Ashford and Mersham, Kent, respectively.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Aug. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILLIP AND JACOB,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

MRS. E. J. BROWN ... ..	FRED W. WADE ... ..	5
EDWIN J. BROWN... ..	GILBERT WILTSHIRE ... ..	6
MISS ANNIE BROWN ... ..	HENRY T. HOWELL ... ..	7
REGINALD BROUGH ... ..	ISAAC LONG ... ..	Tenor

Composed by FRANK BENNETT.

Conducted by REGINALD BROUGH.

Arranged for Mr. R. Brough, of Croydon, and rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Brown on the anniversary of their wedding.

MILVERTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Aug. 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 19 cwt.

JESSE B. TYLER ... ..	DAVID G. TAYLOR ... ..	5
ALFRED WYATT ... ..	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... ..	6
JOHN THOMAS ... ..	PERCY S. MERSON ... ..	7
ROBERT STOTT ... ..	JOHN CARTER ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

DULVERTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Aug. 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 14 cwt.

CHARLES PARKHOUSE ... ..	JOHN PARKHOUSE... ..	5
JOHN THOMAS ... ..	WILLIAM A. HAWKINS ... ..	6
HENRY HOLLOWAY ... ..	JAMES BURGE ... ..	7
THOMAS NEWBURY ... ..	GEORGE SLOMAN ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

HAVANT, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Aug. 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

**A PEAL OF STEOMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

JOSIAH D. HARRIS ... ..	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... ..	5
EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... ..	GEORGE R. NEWTON ... ..	6
WILLIAM TATE ... ..	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... ..	7
TOWER R. TAYLOR ... ..	RICHARD J. STONE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

The conductor hails from Liverpool, the rest from St. Mary's, Portsea.

**Bell Ropes**

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

**GREAT REDUCTIONS.**

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**



BRIDGWATER, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Thursday, Aug. 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

ARTHUR S. BOAR... ..	Treble	JESSE B. TYLER ... ..	5
JOHN THOMAS ... ..	2	JOSEPH MADDOCKS ... ..	6
ALEXANDER EVANS ... ..	3	GABRIEL CHAMBERLAIN ... ..	7
FRANK MILLARD ... ..	4	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by FRANK BENNETT. Conducted by J. THOMAS.

DEPTFORD.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Aug. 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

*GEORGE W. HARRIS ... ..	Treble	HARRY WARNETT, SEN. ... ..	5
WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... ..	2	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... ..	6
JOHN J. LAMB ... ..	3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... ..	7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	4	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... ..	Tenor

Composed by FREDK. HOLDEN. Conducted by GEORGE H. DAYNES.

\* First peal in the method. First peal of Double Norwich as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. J. Jeffries and Mrs. T. Daynes (mother of the conductor), who completed her 84th year on Monday, August 28th.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

*FREDERICK G. GODDARD ... ..	Treble	HARRY KILBY ... ..	5
*FREDK. W. GOODFELLOW ... ..	2	*JOSEPH MILNER ... ..	6
WILLIAM HENLEY ... ..	3	ARTHUR HARDING ... ..	7
CECIL C. MAYNE ... ..	4	WILLIAM WELLING ... ..	Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by W. WELLING.

\* First peal in the method. Believed to be the first peal in the method on the bells since they were rehung.

LINDFIELD, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 21½ cwt.

FRANK BENNETT ... ..	Treble	JOHN JAY ... ..	5
RICHARD HOLDER ... ..	2	ROBERT J. DAWKINS ... ..	6
WILLIAM WATTS ... ..	3	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... ..	7
ISAAC EMERY ... ..	4	HERBERT TOMSETT ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

HANDSWORTH, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

*HAROLD TAYLOR ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM GODDEN ... ..	5
HENRY WILSON ... ..	2	FREDERICK CARDWELL ... ..	6
MISS EVA HOPKINS ... ..	3	*PHILIP DOWNING ... ..	7
*MISS MAUD GOUGE ... ..	4	FRED WATKINSON ... ..	Tenor

Composed by E. C. GOBEY. Conducted by F. WATKINSON.

\* First peal. All are members of the Sunday service band.

LEICESTER.—On Friday, August 4th, at St. Margaret's, the bells were rung half-muffled to the memory of Mr. Arthur Gamble, over 19 years churchwarden, who was buried that day. 719 Grandsire Caters by G. S. Morris 1, L. Jackson 2, W. Whitehead 3, R. F. Elkington 4, H. Poole 5, H. Peach 6, E. Whitehead 7, J. Morris 8, E. Morris 9, J. Vernon 10. Also three courses Double Norwich Major and Superlative Surprise Major, with A. Cattell.—On Sunday, August 6th, for morning service, 519 Grandsire Doubles, and in the evening 540 Bob Doubles, in each case being conducted by Ernest Morris.

THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

DENTER'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

GEORGE CLEAL ... ..	Treble	GEORGE N. CROSS ... ..	5
WALTER WHITEHEAD ... ..	2	HAROLD J. POOLE ... ..	6
PERCY HARRISON ... ..	3	ALFRED MARTIN ... ..	7
SHIRLEY BURTON ... ..	4	THOMAS TAYLOR ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

George H. Cross was elected a member prior to starting.

DORE, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5248 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

GEORGE M. THORPE ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM BIGGIN ... ..	5
SIDNEY BRIGGS ... ..	2	*HAROLD R. FARNSWORTH ... ..	6
*WALTER BINGHAM ... ..	3	A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... ..	7
WILLIAM T. PALMER ... ..	4	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. First peal as conductor.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5086 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

EDGAR H. BAILEY ... ..	Treble	JAMES M. BAILEY ... ..	5
*STAFFORD H. GREEN ... ..	2	FREDERICK WHITE ... ..	6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... ..	3	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... ..	7
GEORGE BAILEY ... ..	4	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

\* First peal of London and first attempt. Messrs. Green and White were elected life members of the Association before starting.

LONG STANTON, CAMBS.  
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.

REV. H. B. WOOLLEY ... ..	Treble	*PERCY WEBB ... ..	5
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY ... ..	2	JOHN B. WOOLLEY ... ..	6
ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... ..	3	ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... ..	7
*BASIL D. BUTTRESS ... ..	4	A. GEORGE RIVERS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by ERNEST G. HIBBINS.

\* First peal in the method.

CHORLEY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(PRESTON AND WIGAN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

J. H. GARTSIDE, JUN. ... ..	Treble	JOHN BOOTH ... ..	5
J. W. GROUNDS ... ..	2	FRED RIGBY ... ..	6
ERNEST BIRCHALL ... ..	3	WALTER BLACKLEDGE ... ..	7
*WILLIAM AUSTIN ... ..	4	GEORGE HEWITT ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by FRED RIGBY.

\* First peal in the method. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. H. Fisher, vergor of the above church, who is also one of the ringers. The ringers of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th hail from Standish, and the rest belong to the local band.

BEESTON, NOTTS.—On Monday, August 14th, 608 London Surprise Major: W. Clifford, junr., 1, A. Coppock (conductor) 2, W. Clifford, senr., 3, W. A. Jones 4, J. O. Dicken 5, R. Drage 6, F. S. Price 7, E. Price 8.

LYE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,  
At CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES,  
THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 3½ cwt.

JAMES GEORGE ... .. Treble	JOHN BASS ... .. 5
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. 3	JOSEPH DAVIES ... .. 7
CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ... 4	CHARLES W. COOPER ... Tenor

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London, Wells, Durham, York, Cambridge,  
Hull and Bourne.

EDWARD YOUNGS ... .. Treble	ALPHEUS J. BERRY ... .. 4
ERNEST F. POPPY ... .. 2	WILLIAM CLOVER ... .. 5
GEORGE BROWN ... .. 3	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE ... Tenor

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLLE.

TEYNHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury  
Pleasure, Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Single Bob  
and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

WILLIAM WOOD ... .. Treble	† GEORGE BILLENNESS ... 4
FREDERICK A. FAIRBEARD 2	CHARLES TUMBER ... .. 5
* HENRY T. WILSON ... .. 3	WILLIAM NYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM NYE.

\* First peal of Minor. † First peal of Minor in seven methods.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Fairbeard's youngest  
daughter.

LUGWARDINE, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being eight 120's of Plain Bob Doubles, 12 of Canterbury Pleasure,  
and 22 of Grandsire, with different callings. Tenor 18 cwt.

CHARLES CLIFFORD ... .. Treble	ALEC TAYLOR ... .. 4
* FREDERICK ARROWSMITH ... 2	WALTER TAYLOR ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... 3	EDMUND BROOKES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER TAYLOR.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compli-  
ment to the ringers of the 3rd.

LUBENHAM, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(HARBOROUGH BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 10 six-scores of Stedman, 12 of Plain Bob and 20 of Grandsire.  
Tenor 10 cwt. in A.

ERNEST S. COTTON ... .. Treble	CHARLES A. MANNING ... 3
WALTER WALLINGTON ... 2	* FRED WALLINGTON ... .. 4
WILLIAM HECTOR ... ..	... Tenor

Conducted by W. HECTOR.

Believed to be the first peal on the bells, which have recently been  
rehung, tuned and quarter turned by Messrs. John Taylor & Co.,  
Loughborough. \* First peal of Doubles. First peal as conductor.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday Aug. 25, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.

Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

Mr. L. Wiseman saw 1½ hours of the peal tapped.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Aug. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
At THE RESIDENCE OF MR. A. J. NAUNTON,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor size 18 in G.

ROY PILGRIM ... .. 1—2	ERNEST BAILEY ... ..
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 3—4	GEORGE LEE ... ..
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. 7—8	

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

Witness: A. J. L. NAUNTON.

COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Friday, Aug. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Four Minutes,  
At INSTITUTION HOUSE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, with 10 different callings, as arranged in Snow-  
don's book. Tenor, size 16 in B.

* WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 1—2	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 3—4
ALFRED S. BAYLEY ... .. 5—6	

Conducted by A. S. BAYLEY.

Witness: WM. R. EVANS.

\* First peal on handbells. First peal as conductor and first attempt.  
This peal and the peal of Triples were rung on a fine peal of hand-  
bells, kindly lent to the Coalbrookdale ringers by Mr. E. V. Roden-  
hurst, of Kenstone Manor, Hodnet.

COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At INSTITUTION HOUSE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 16 in B.

* WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 1—2	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 5—6
DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 3—4	* PERCY LANE ... .. 7—8

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM SAUNDERS.

Umpire: ALFRED S. BAYLEY. Witness: WILLIAM R. EVANS.

\* First peal of Triples 'in hand.' This is the first peal of Triples  
rung double-handed for the Hereford Diocesan Guild by four mem-  
bers residing in the Diocese. The umpire checked every course end.  
It was intended to go for Bob Major on tower bells, but owing to  
illness near the church this was abandoned. Specially arranged for  
Messrs. Matkin and Lane, of Ludlow. Messrs. Wase and Saunders  
are local men.

## A VISIT TO BRIDGNORTH.

On Saturday, July 22nd, the ringers of SS. Peter and Paul, Aston,  
Birmingham, held their annual outing. Starting from Aston at 1 p.m.  
by charabanc they proceeded by Wolverhampton for Bridgnorth,  
which was reached after a delightful run lasting two hours. The  
party, numbering 22, were met by the genial captain of the Bridg-  
north band (Mr. Overton). The bells of St. Leonard's Church were  
soon going to Stedman and Grandsire Triples, after which short  
touches of Bob Major and Treble Bob were brought round. The  
bells having been lowered in peal, the party paid their respects  
to a most excellent meat tea. A little musical entertainment fol-  
lowed, and was greatly enjoyed. The remainder of the evening  
was spent in looking around the town and castle grounds, and at  
7.30 a start was made for home via Kidderminster. At Hagley an  
hour's stop was made to cool the engine, and home was safely reach-  
ed about 11 p.m., at the end of a most enjoyable and perfect day.  
The best thanks of the party are due to Mr. Overton and to the  
incumbents for the use of the bells.

**A SURFLEET WEEK.**

The following peals were rung for the Lincoln Diocesan Guild during a week's holiday at Surfleet, Lincs:—

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb. in F.

GEORGE LADD ... .. Treble	JOHN W. WOOD... .. 6
*ALFRED H. POLLING ... 2	FRANK I. HAIRS... .. 7
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 3	*HARRY CHAPMAN... .. 8
*WALTER AYRE ... .. 4	*FRED WILFORD... .. 9
REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... 5	REV. H. LAW JAMES... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by the Rev. H. Law James.

\* First peal of Cambridge Royal. The conductor's 300th peal.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

On Sunday, Aug. 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
ON THE LAWN AT GLYN GARTH,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 17 in A.

FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 1-2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3-4	WALTER AYRE ... .. 7-8
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9-10	

Composed by E. FRANCIS. Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

Umpire: MRS. F. I. HAIRS.

Rev. E. Bankes James, Mr. F. Wilford and Mr. and Mrs. H. Chapman also heard part of the peal.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

On Sunday, Aug. 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT GLYN GARTH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 15 in C.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 1-2	ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 5-6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 3-4	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 7-8
*HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 9-10	

Composed by G. T. DALTRY. Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

Umpires: WALTER AYRE and GEORGE W. STEERE.

\* First peal on handbells and rung at the first attempt.

The following three peals were rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Rupert Richardson.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

On Monday, Aug. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,  
AT GLYN GARTH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 15 in C.

WALTER AYRE ... .. 1-2	ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 5-6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 3-4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7-8

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

Umpire: F. I. HAIRS.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

On Monday, Aug. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
IN THE PARK,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 16 in B.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 1-2	WALTER AYRE ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3-4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 7-8
FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 9-10	

Composed by JOHN ROGERS. Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

Witnesses: C. McGUINNESS and H. MARCON.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

On Monday, Aug. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
AT GLYN GARTH,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 17 in C.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 1-2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3-4	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 7-8
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9-10	

Composed by E. FRANCIS. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Umpire: WALTER AYRE.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

On Tuesday, Aug. 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT GLYN GARTH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 14 in D.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS... .. 1-2	WALTER AYRE ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3-4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7-8

\*HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 9-10

Composed by W. WILSON. Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.  
Umpire: REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

\* First peal 'in hand' in the method.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

On Tuesday, Aug. 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Ten and a half Minutes,  
AT GLYN GARTH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 14 in D.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS... .. 1-2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3-4	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

Witnesses: THE MISSES RICHARDSON and MRS. WALTER AYRE.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

On Thursday, Aug. 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,  
AT GLYN GARTH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 14 in D.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS... .. 1-2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3-4	WALTER AYRE ... .. 7-8

GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9-10

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

Witnesses: MRS. RICHARDSON and MRS. W. AYRE.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

On Thursday, Aug. 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5198 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb. in F.

ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. Treble	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 6
REV. H. LAW JAMES ... .. 2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7
JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 3	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 8
MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 4	HARRY CHAPMAN... .. 9
REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... 5	WALTER AYRE ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

This composition is believed to be rung for the first time. The conductor's 650th peal.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

On Friday, Aug. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT GLYN GARTH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 15 in C.

WALTER AYRE ... .. 1-2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 5-6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 3-4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7-8

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

In this peal the ringers were in bed in night attire. Ringing commenced at 10.13 p.m. and the peal came round at 12.43 a.m. (summer time).

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
ON THE LAWN, GLYN GARTH,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 16½ in A sharp.

WALTER AYRE ... .. 1-2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3-4	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 7-8
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9-10	

Composed by E. FRANCIS. Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

Witnesses: MRS. & THE MISSES RICHARDSON and MRS. W. AYRE.

**BULWELL, NOTTS.** — On Friday, August 4th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: G. Clark (conductor) 1, E. Foster 2, W. J. Sevier 3, W. Stanner 4, J. Hobbs 5, F. Clark 6, W. Wadsley 7, G. Tyers 8. First quarter-peal on the bells since they were augmented to eight. Also a touch of Stedman Triples, and Kent Major, assisted by T. Jennison, T. H. Hind, and — Goodship.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.***On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,**ON THE LAWN, GLYN GARTH,***A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATER, 5039 CHANGES;***Tenor size 15½ in C sharp.*

MRS. F. I. HAIRS...	...	1-2	ALFRED H. PULLING ...	...	5-6
FRANK I. HAIRS ...	...	3-4	GEORGE W. STEERE ...	...	7-8
			WALTER AYRE ...	...	9-10

Composed by JOHN ROGERS. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.  
The last half was umpired by Rupert Richardson.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.***On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,**AT GLYN GARTH,***A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATER, 5161 CHANCES;***Tenor size 17 in A.*

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ...	...	1-2	ALFRED H. PULLING ...	...	5-6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ...	...	3-4	FRANK I. HAIRS ...	...	7-8
			GEORGE W. STEERE ...	...	9-10

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.  
Witnesses: THE MISSES RICHARDSON and MRS. PULLING.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****TONBRIDGE DISTRICT.**

A quarterly meeting of the above was held at Staplehurst on Saturday, August 12th. No doubt the fact that the annual outing of the Romney Marsh Guild took place on the same day prevented some members from attending, but about 25 ringers assembled, and a very pleasant and instructive time was spent.

The usual service was held, which was attended by several of the parishioners, in addition to the members, and was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. J. S. Clementson). After service, the members adjourned to the Parish Room, where an excellent tea was kindly provided by the Rector, who, with Mrs. Clementson and other ladies, attended to the wants of the members.

The business meeting followed, the Rector presiding.—At the conclusion of this, votes of thanks were passed to the Rector and Mrs. Clementson and all the other ladies for the various parts they had taken to make the meeting so successful.

The Rector, in replying, extended a hearty welcome to the As-

sociation, and said it gave him and all the ladies the greatest pleasure to meet them.

The members then adjourned to the tower for further ringing.

**THE 'OXFORD' GUILD FESTIVAL.****ANOTHER VERSION.**

O City of Spires and Churches,  
Of gay and high-flown flags,  
Whose love for law and order  
Is shown by frequent 'rags.'  
In thy high and lofty steeple,  
Where crowned, the 'meat safe' stands,  
Is a tough and mighty problem—  
To haul thy callied strands.

Thy Chapter House, tho' grim and stern,  
Wherein 'some' ringers meet,  
When weary with their journey down,  
Provides a 'standing' seat.

Art thou the only place that boasts  
Those famed beyond recall?  
Dost oils and paint the right bestow  
Of 'open door' for all?

A change is often good, we're told;  
In absence, hearts grow fonder;  
A 'shift course' made to Berks or Bucks,  
Our head ones well should ponder.

It's sentiment that often clogs  
The wheels of true progression;  
Beware of sticking in a rut,  
And thus prevent secession.

G. T.

High Wycombe.

**LANCASHIRE SURPRISE.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I am exceedingly sorry, and apologise to Mr. Craven for publishing the above method under another name. Before forwarding same on to you, I tried all the available avenues open to me to see if the figure had been produced before, only to learn that at that time my friends had no knowledge of having seen them published previously. I, therefore, withdraw any claim to them.—Yours, etc.,

E. A. RIDGWAY.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

**THE**

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The Surfleet ringing week was a huge success, with a 'bag' of fourteen peals, and only three failures. All were rung in Surfleet—two on the tower bells and eleven 'in hand.' These ringers made as little trouble of handbell peals as they did of eating their dinner—and we are told they did both very well.

Peals have been rung under many extraordinary conditions, but the proverbial 'bun' must surely be awarded to the handbell peal which figured in the events of Friday last, the ringers being in bed in their night attire.

We are not told whether they were all in one bed, or in separate beds or in double beds, but of one thing we can be very certain—the ringers were not asleep.

According to our correspondent it was 'not a soft job.' No doubt the beds were softer than the task. We wonder how soon the light was put out after the bells 'came home,' or whether the ringers required another supper. Perhaps it was early breakfast they had, as the peal came round at a quarter to one in the morning.

Friends of Rupert will be pleased to hear of the interesting announcement made during the ringing week at Surfleet.

What the 'interesting announcement' is they are left to guess.

The ringer of the treble in the peal of Superlative Surprise Major at Brighton on August 9th was Charles H. Page, not Henry Page, as published.

Mr. George Baker, of Brighton, writes that the Triple's method published last week by Mr. A. J. Fitman, is a very old discovery of Mr. J. W. Parker's. In its proper form it has coursing order division ends.

There were three 'first peals' in a 5,008 of Bob Major at Handsworth, Yorkshire, on Saturday, and this makes a total of eleven members of the Sunday Service band (including two ladies) who have learnt to ring since December, 1920, and have now taken part in peals. This is a fine record, but, we are told, there are several others of the 'chicken' showing good promise.

A ringing tour in North Bucks and the borders of Bedfordshire is being arranged for September 9th to 16th, and an interesting programme is promised those who have decided to join the party.

The report of a peal of Stedman Caterers at Cullumpton, Devon, has been sent without the number of changes.

## RINGERS AT BOWLS.

### ENJOYABLE MEETING WITH BOLTON POLICE.

On Saturday, August 26th, the members of the Bolton Branch of the Lancashire Association accepted an invitation of the Bolton Borough Police Athletic Club to a game of bowls on the ground of the latter, Bromwich St. Bolton.

A large number of ringers and wives turned up, from which a team was selected, but the Police proved to be the victors, although there were some very close games. In four games the ringers only lost by one point each.

After the match tea was provided, and the green and pavilion placed at the disposal of the ringers. Four-handed games were the general issue, and some keen games followed.

When darkness prevented further play, all retired to the pavilion, and brought the day to a close with songs, handbells, and piano selections, every one voting the proceedings a great success.

A vote of thanks was passed to the police for the kind invitation they had extended to the ringers, and the hope was expressed that the time was not distant when they should have the pleasure of meeting again.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A most successful meeting of the Eastern District was held at Hatfield on Saturday, August 19th, by permission of the Rev. F. Meridith Brookes M.A., the Vicar, who is also an honorary member of the Association. The ancient church of St. Lawrence contains a handy peal of eight, with a tenor of 20 cwt., and good use was made of the bells by the visitors.

A short service was held, at which the Vicar delivered a most helpful homily. Tea was afterwards partaken of in the Barn Room, where between 30 and 40 members sat down, representative of towers at Doncaster, Hull, Selby, Thorne and York.

A short business meeting followed, the Vicar being in the chair, in the unavoidable absence of the vice-president, Mr. A. E. West. The following ringers from Sherburn-in-Elmet were elected as members of the Association: H. Gill, H. Bradley, G. Wilson, J. Bradley, G. Thornton, and E. Wrigglesworth.—It was decided that the next meeting be held at Goole in November.

The customary votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for kindly allowing the use of the bells, and for the address at the service, to the ladies for serving at the tea tables, and the local company for assisting to make the meeting the success it was.

## PITFALLS IN METHOD EXTENSION.

To the Editor.

Sir,—When will the experts begin to realise the futility of treating individual methods as though they had no relation to change ringing as a whole? They will glibly tell you that a hydra-headed monster like London Surprise has nothing in common with Kent Treble Bob, but the ordinary practical ringer knows better. He may not be able to explain his knowledge, but he is perfectly sure there is a real unity in all change ringing. Thus it happens that when the expert experiences a consuming desire to find an extension of London Major, or the like, he takes the poor thing, picks it to pieces, patches it up and tacks it together again, and finally he holds up for your admiration a gawdy patchwork article which he labels London Royal or Maximus. That the effect is usually grotesque is only what might have been anticipated. Had he studied method construction on first principles, some pitfalls at any rate he must have avoided.

One fatal defect of the practice which I am venturing to criticise consists in the impossibility of distinguishing between what is essential and what is accidental. Mr. Bramble's article in your current issue affords more than one instance of this. I will deal here with one point which illustrates the need for the study of general principles, as opposed to the adoption of special rules for some selected method.

He assumes that because Bristol Major is a double method any extension of it to Royal or Maximus must also be double. This is a very plausible idea; but deeper examination shows that whether a given method happens to be single or double on a given number of bells is purely accidental and of no real significance.

Let us consider an analogy, taking as simple an instance as possible for the purpose.

(A)	(B)	(C)
123456	12345678	12345678
214365	21436587	21436587
241356	24135678	24135678
423165	42316587	42316587
243615	24361857	24361578
426351	42638175	42635187
462531	46283715	42635817
	64827351	42638571
	68472631	46283751

(A) is Double Court Minor, a double method as its name implies. (B) and (C) are two equally legitimate extensions of (A) to 8 bells. (C) which happens to have the same figures as Double Norwich Court Bob Major is double, while (B) is not.

In view of a prevalent misunderstanding as to the lead ends to be expected in an extension, it is worth noting that those of (A)-(B) are 56342, 5738264, 573920486, 5728, etc., of (A)-(C) are 56342, 8674523, 860492735, 8604, etc. So it does not necessarily follow that if the first lead end of the Minor be 56342, the Major must inevitably be 5738264. Also there are an unlimited number of true progressions, of which (A) is the first term; in other words, the number of true extensions of (A) is infinite.—Yours, etc.,

Holbeton Vicarage.

E. S. POWELL.

## WHITE AND COLOURED SALLIES.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Your correspondent would be well advised to leave the sallies white, as they are. To dye them he has a mixture of two classes of material to deal with, the wool being of 'animal fibre' and the hemp of 'vegetable fibre.' In each case the method of dyeing is different. It is usual to use an acid base for the one, and a saline base for the other. Whilst an acid base would be acceptable to the wool, it might burn and destroy the hemp. Any attempt to dye the sallies would only result in staining the rope for several inches above and below the sally through absorption, which would look unsightly. Also there is the risk of the colour applied 'bleeding out,' if not properly fixed, and staining the hands when used.—Yours, etc.,

E. A. RIDGWAY.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A successful meeting of the Bedford District was held at Elstow on Saturday last. Mr. C. W. Clarke presided, and members were present from Bedford, Cranfield, Kempston, Clapham, Turvey, Sandy, Roxton, Clifton, Thurlough, and the local company.—It was proposed to hold the next meeting at Wootton on Saturday, Sept. 30th, if the bells are available, and notice will appear in 'The Ringing World.'

The methods rung during the day ranged from Doubles to Cambridge Surprise Minor.

A hearty vote of thanks, passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, brought the meeting to a close.

## A WEEK'S HOLIDAY?

PEAL RINGING GALORE.

On Saturday, August 19th, ringers from various parts of the country began their annual pilgrimage to that delightful spot in Lincolnshire known as Suifleet. Weird and wonderful were the methods used for transport, 'combinations' and 'solos' were common terms among certain of the fraternity, while others adopted the more orthodox train as their means of conveyance, but such is the uncertainty of human life, that even these poor mortals had to rely on the rubber bus to convey them, with their goods and chattels, from the station to their destination.

It was noticed that the baggage preponderated over the personnel, for one couple carried so much that it appeared as if they intended to settle down and end their days in that quiet old-world village.

The first item on the programme was a peal of Cambridge Royal on the tower bells. This was accomplished successfully, and was regarded as a good omen by the company for the rest of the week. This peal was a performance worthy of note, inasmuch as it was the conductor's 300th peal, and four rather promising young ringers were piloted through their first in the method.

On Sunday afternoon a peal of Plain Bob Ten was rung. There was nothing extraordinary about this, except the fact that the 'president' very graciously condescended to umpire the peal for the band. It may be said that this duty was carried out remarkably well (at times).

Monday was singled out to be the red-letter day of the week, as mine host's birthday chanced to fall on this day. Four peals 'in hand' comprised the programme. The first, which commenced at 5 a.m., was brought round before breakfast in great style. The second attempt, Stedman Caters, was not so successful, breaking down soon after the half-way had been passed, but as the remaining two peals were brought round, Rupert still had three peals rung in honour of his birthday, which should be enough for any ordinary person.

As no excursions could be arranged to other places, the rest of the week was spent in trying to ring some handbell peals, some of which were successful.

Friday evening a star turn was fixed up in the shape of a peal rung in bed. This may sound a lazy way of ringing, but it can be safely said that this is not the soft job it looks to be on paper.

On Saturday morning the company received the surprise of their lives, the nature of which the writer is not at liberty to divulge at present. Be it sufficient to state that the announcement was stimulating enough in its effect to induce those present to ring a further three peals in honour of the auspicious event.

This brought a most enjoyable week to its conclusion, although it was regretted by all that a peal of Maximus and Cinques could not be attempted. Owing to the harvest being in full progress at this period, the band could not get in enough practice to warrant a start being made with any sporting chance of success.

When the company began to disperse it was noticed that however much baggage they arrived with, they had all contrived to collect a bit more before taking their departure, one item alone, a bag, requiring five hefty fellows to hoist it in position on the top of that old tub, the 'rubber bus.'

G. W. S.

## 'THE NATIONAL TRADES UNION OF BELL RINGERS.'

WHY THE SCUNTHORPE RINGERS 'STRUCK.'

The ignorance which exists outside the Exercise with regard to bell ringing and bell ringers' organisations is often commented on, but the following from the 'Sunday Chronicle' of August 6th leaves us breathless. We wonder who has been 'pulling the leg' of this reputable newspaper upon the subject of a Bell Ringers' Trades Union?

'The bell ringers at the Scunthorpe (Lines) Parish Church, acknowledged to be nine of the best ringers in the county, are on strike.'

'Some time ago the men joined the National Trades Union of Bell Ringers 97 per cent. of whom are paid for their services. In most of the towers throughout the country the minimum rate is £3 per bell per year, and the unanimous opinion of the Scunthorpe ringers is that their work should be suitably acknowledged.'

'The Church Council was approached, but that body, whilst appreciating the services rendered the church by the ringers in the past, has decided that no payment shall be made.'

'As a consequence, the good people at Scunthorpe will, for the first time for many years, have no bells to remind them of the approaching hour of service to-day.'

## WEDDING BELLS.

On Thursday, August 24th, at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, Ringwood, Hants, for the wedding of Mr. J. R. Middleton (late organist and choirmaster of the above church) and Miss Westcott, 910 Grandsire Triples: W. Johnson 1. E. Hendley 2. E. Green 3. G. Brown 4. F. Whitfield 5. F. Collins 6. W. Cheater (conductor) 7. E. Bradford 8. This is the longest touch rung by the band.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

## A DAY IN THE MIDLANDS.

## A REPLY TO THE EDITORIAL ARTICLE.

Laurence Sterne once said it was the duty of every man before he died 'to build a house, to plant a tree, to write a book, and to have a son.' Excellent achievements, but if he had lived in Bolsover, and run up against a certain campanological star, he would probably have added the words 'and ring a Surprise peal.' When the aforesaid star walks into the belfry in summer-time and says, 'Oh, for a day on ringing bent,' his friends have learnt, by experience, that there's something brewing (besides the usual sort of thing ringers are labelled with). So it came about that a motor loaded up in Derbyshire town at 7.45, under the leadership of a certain gentleman, whose name begins with F. We call him an expert, but he stoutly denies it, and says he never writes snorting letters to 'The Ringing World,' which is one of the qualifications, apparently. With this exception, there were no cracks on board, except at the back of the seat occupied by a Palterton man.

One of the Bolsover clergy accompanied the band, and as he is new to the district, it was quite a 'Surprise' tour for him as well as for us. The sun was breaking through the mist, when Mansfield was reached (the market-place looks best in a fog), and the motor stopped to pick up another clerical ringer who was taking one of his rare and well-earned holidays (though he soon found out there was not going to be much holiday about it). A little further on the motor picked up that Derbyshire veteran, Mr. T. Bettison; we found him under a railway arch (doesn't sound very nice, but it's true, and we presume he hadn't slept there). Rumour has it that he could ring more methods than he had years, a short time ago; but time waits for no man or his ringing, and we believe age is leading, hand and back, just now, and he sometimes says work is getting tired of him, but we know ringing isn't. We were soon speeding over Byron's 'Bleak hills of Annesley,' and arrived at Eastwood at 9 a.m. Here Mr. Gobey, of Ilkeston fame, met us, and we ascended the tower, a landmark for miles round, to try the fine peal of eight (tenor 19 cwt.). The bells are a little noisy inside, but have a grand tone for the weight, and are a pleasure to listen to. They were soon going to Double Norwich, Oxford, and Superlative, after a little preliminary booming by our big gun on the tenor. He told us off early, so that he wouldn't have to mention it again. Our gun is of the old-fashioned sort, which always did want good striking with a flint on the box before it would go off.

Working by a strict time-table the party soon arrived at Basford, where hangs the new peal which, for its weight, stands second to none in the Nottingham district. Here Mr. Sievier led us up the tower, and left us in possession for about an hour, during which Stedman, Kent, Forward Major, Norfolk and Cambridge Surprise were successfully brought round. We found quite a crowd assembled in the road outside, though we were not sure whether they thought there was a wedding or whether they just came to admire our music—we hope the latter. A short run brought us to Bulwell, where hang a mixed peal with two new trebles (tenor 16 cwt.). Here Mr. Jennison kindly welcomed us. They need a little elbow-grease at the back end, but we had brought a good supply, and Double Norwich, Bob Major and Superlative were soon accomplished.

Our next tower was Ilkeston, and our road led us through Strelley, one of the prettiest villages in the county. The Strelleys, of Strelley, were living at the manor house in the time of Henry I., and their fine alabaster tombs are in the chancel. There is a very ancient bell here, but the antiquarian of the band was not allowed to investigate, and threats were made by the veteran that he would be tied by a string if he tried to escape. Advised by a chorus of sixteen to avoid the duck pond, our driver set us down at the Broad Oak (a good name, too: they draw it off the wood there), and 'snap' packages were produced in the open-air.

At Ilkeston we were joined by Mr. J. F. George, and the fine peal (tenor 20 cwt.) were soon raised and rolling along to Kent Major, followed by Norfolk and New Cambridge. The belfry and peal leave nothing to be desired, and it is always a pleasure to ring here, though the market people have their own ideas about peals on Saturdays. Four miles further lies Heanor, like Eastwood, on top of a hill. The tenor is about 17 cwt., but the peal is not of the same quality as its neighbour. After short touches of Double Norwich, Superlative and Cambridge, we proceeded to Ripley. Here the first touch was a long one, at Hutchinson's Cafe where Mr. W. Jacques appeared, but eventually the more energetic members made a move to the tower with a peal of eight (tenor 17 cwt.). Mr. Fred Hill joined us in the belfry, and like some generous landlords, told us to call for what we wanted, so we did, and Norfolk, New Cambridge, London and Bristol sounded forth from the floor above as required. We still had Alfreton to cope with, so bade farewell to Ripley, and after an 'in and out quick' with the motor were ringing up at our last tower. The man on the seventh had made a solemn vow that he would ring up the seventh in seven towers, and he kept his oath; another made a similar promise for the tenors, but we released him of his vow after two towers and three blisters. The tenor weighs about 17 cwt., and the bells are

not too easy to hear, but Double Norwich, Forward, Superlative and Grandsire (the old Derbyshire favourite) were quickly polished off.

It was now 8 p.m., and after twenty-three touches in thirteen methods we felt if anyone asked for more he would be a glutton. No one made any such request, but on the way home a facetious member asked if they could fix him up a quarter of rough stuff at Mansfield, if he came early Sunday evening. The veteran gloomily replied he could have some of that any time without special arrangement. No further adventure took place except that the horn gave out, and we couldn't lend the driver our trumpets, as we'd left them all at home (we don't believe our leader has got one); however, someone volunteered the useful advice, 'Thou pinch it thard, lad.' Perhaps he came from Yorkshire.

We wish to take this opportunity of thanking the clergy and ringers at the various towers for receiving us so kindly, which we much appreciated, and last, but not least, we thank him, whose initials are J. F., who took so much trouble to arrange the outing—you have three guesses, reader, as to his name. We heard him whispering final advice into a bachelor's ear, as the motor disappeared in the darkness, that 'a ringer should only marry a ringer's wife, that is, one who likes her husband out on Saturdays.'

## WESTON-SUPER-MARE RINGERS' EXPERIENCES.

On Tuesday, August 8th (thanks to the kindness and appreciation of a local lady), the ringers at Weston-super-Mare Parish Church were entertained to their annual outing, the rendezvous chosen being Dunster and Minehead. The party boarded a charabanc at 8.30 a.m., the weather then being fine. The route taken was via Bridgwater, Nether Stowey, Holford, Williton, Washford, etc. The meteorological conditions were good until Holford was reached, when a heavy thunderstorm was experienced, and those of the party who occupied extreme outside seats (notwithstanding the hood being up), experienced a thorough drenching, no less volens. No doubt those who were fortunate enough to occupy centre seats, heartily agreed with Emerson when he stated that 'Everything in life has its compensations.' The journey was not without one or two exciting incidents, due to the culpable negligence of 'road-hogs,' but happily no accident occurred to mar the outing. When about half of the journey had been covered a slight contretemps occurred (through no fault of the driver), the charabanc getting partly ditched, owing to the soft state of the road after the heavy rainfall, but in ringers' parlance a 'whole pull right' was made, thanks to the friendly driver of an adjacent steam roller who connected his 'toy' with the 'ringers' by means of a stout chain. Shortly after, a rather exciting incident occurred (in these days of rapid motor transit unfortunately only too common), and which might have had a fatal ending; a reckless motorist in the rear of the charabanc making a 'sandwich' dive between the ringers and an on-coming motor at a furious pace. A serious accident seemed inevitable, but the culprit's motor grazed the wheel of the 'char,' narrowly missing the other motor, and proceeded on its way.

Dunster was reached at about 12.30, the campanologists making at once for Dunster Parish Church, where an hour's ringing was indulged in, consisting of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and Bob Major. The party then proceeded on to Minehead, and here they adjourned for luncheon at the leading restaurant, after which they climbed to their next objective, the Minehead Old Parish Church. The view from the tower of this church was much appreciated, it being greatly enhanced by 'King Sol' putting in an appearance. This church possesses a splendid peal of ten bells, and an hour's good music was rendered from them, two fine touches of Stedman Triples being the principal feature of the performance. Minehead was left at 4.30 p.m. for Bridgwater, where tea was partaken of, after which the party proceeded to the sacred edifice of St. Mary's Church. Here, again, the hand rang touches for upwards of an hour. St. Mary's possesses one of the finest peals in the country, as many are aware. The homeward journey was commenced at 9.30 p.m. (the weather being good), and was enlivened by songs and choruses, the 'boys' being in high spirits, and Weston-super-Mare was eventually reached at 11.15 p.m. It was unanimously agreed that, in spite of the wet, the outing was one of the most enjoyable in the annals of local campanology.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the Grimsby district of the Northern Branch of the above was held at Barton-on-Humber, on August 19th. There was a good attendance of members, who made use of the bells in various methods. Service for the ringers was held in the old church of St. Peter, dedicated in the time of King Offa.—The Vicar, in his address, gave a short history of the building.

Tea and meeting followed, the vice-president being in the chair, supported by the Vicar.

Eight new members from Burton Stather were elected and welcomed to the Guild. The Vicar of Barton was also elected, as well as a member from Barrow.—Votes of thanks to the chairman, the Vicar, and Mr. A. W. Hoodless for the arrangements for tea and ringing, concluded a pleasant meeting.



### SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

The touch reported last week as having been rung for service on July 23rd at Bridgnorth, was rung at SS. Peter and Paul's Church, Birmingham.

**BURES, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, August 27th, 360 Bob Doubles: G. Ball 1, W. Leggett 2, G. Clarke 3, E. Leggett (conductor) 4, H. Warn 5, O. Bowers 6.

**WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, August 27th, 300 Bob Minor: A. Clarke 1, G. Balls 2, W. Leggett 3, G. Clarke 4, E. Leggett (conductor) 5, F. Clarke 6.

**PULHAM.**—At St. Mary Magdalen, on Sunday, August 27th, for morning service, 704 Superlative Surprise: F. R. Borrett (conductor) 1, H. H. Piercy 2, R. Whiting 3, J. C. Allen 4, C. Baker 5, F. J. Howchin (Norwich) 6, E. Whiting 7, C. W. Roope 8.—For evening service, 704 Superlative Surprise: E. Whiting (conductor) 1, A. Smith 2, J. C. Allen 3, A. J. Berry 4, C. Cutting 5, C. Baker 6, F. R. Borrett 7, H. H. Piercy 8.

**MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.**—On Sunday evening, August 27th, 720 Kent Treble Bob: F. M. Mitchell (conductor) 1, Mrs. F. M. Mitchell 2, H. Argent 3, P. E. Clark 4, L. Beckett 5, G. Morrad 6. Mr. P. E. Clark hails from St. Stephen's, Ealing, this being his first 720 in the method on a bob bell, and first attempt.

**BISHOP'S STORTFORD.**—At St. Michael's Parish Church, for evening service, on Sunday, August 27th, 307 Grandsire Triples: H. W. White 1, Miss K. Willers 2, P. C. Springham 3, F. Bird (conductor) 4, H. Champness 5, W. Prior 6, H. Dew 7, C. Ridgewell 8.—462 Stedman Triples: P. C. Springham 1, Miss K. Willers 2, F. Bird 3, H. W. White 4, H. W. Bishop 5, W. Prior 6, H. Dew (conductor) 7, C. Ridgewell 8; and a course of Grandsire Caters. Miss Willers comes from Trumpington, Cambridge, and H. W. Bishop from Swindon.

**WALTHAMSTOW.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, August 27th, after the evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): H. T. Scarlett 1, G. Grimwade 2, F. G. Newman 3, I. H. Wilkins 4, W. H. Freeman 5, R. Maynard, snr., 6, A. G. Freeman (conductor) 7, A. Estall 8. All the band are local veteran ringers, their combined ages totalling 524 years.

**LEICESTER.**—At St. Margaret's, on Sunday morning, August 20th, a course of Grandsire Cinques by T. Bent 1, F. Sharnan 2, W. Whitehead 3, C. Cattell 4, A. Ballard 5, E. Whitehead 6, E. E. Smith 7, A. Cattell 8, J. Morris 9, H. Lock 10, E. Morris 11, J. Vernon 12. First course of Cinques on the bells by an entirely local service band. Also three courses Grandsire Caters called by A. Cattell.

**ST. ALBANS.**—At the Cathedral, on Sunday, August 20th, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: C. Walklate 1, Miss Kitty Willers 2, S. Lindsell 3, W. Little 4, H. Hollick 5, W. H. L. Buckingham 6, H. Goodenough (conductor) 7, J. Blow 8. Miss Willers belongs to Trumpington, Cambridge.

**NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT.**—At St. Thomas' Parish Church, on Sunday, August 20th for Matins, 1,008 Bob Major, in 45 mins.: W. Johnson 1, W. Chambers 2, H. Phillips 3, J. Bacon 4, W. Scott, snr., 5, W. Scott, junr., 6, W. Upton 7, H. Barton (conductor) 8.

**TEYNHAM, KENT.**—On Sunday, August 20th, for morning service, at the Parish Church, 720 changes of College Single Minor: V. Page 1, C. Tumber 2, H. T. Wilson 3, W. Nye (conductor) 4, E. Hodge 5, G. Billenness 6.

**RODMERSHAM, KENT.**—On Sunday, August 20th, for evening service, at the Parish Church, 720 changes College Single: E. Sodge 1, W. Eastman 2, E. Gambell 3, A. Lurcock 4, C. Tumber 5, W. Nye (conductor) 6.

**HAYES, KENT.**—On Sunday, August 20th, for morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: J. Grandfield 1, H. Reader 2, J. Hack (conductor) 3, H. Brown 4, O. Gilbey 5, J. Brown 6.—For evening service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: J. Grandfield 1, H. Reader (conductor) 2, J. Hack 3, O. Gilbey 4, H. Brown 5, J. Brown 6.

**DONCASTER.**—At St. George's Church, on August 20th, a quarter peal of Stedman Triples, in 50 mins., for evening service: G. Halksworth (conductor) 1, Miss K. Jackson 2, J. Holmes 3, E. Baldwin (first quarter) 4, C. Clarke 5, R. V. Appleby (Newark) 6, H. Walker 7, H. Baldwin 8.

**WITCHAM, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, August 20th, for morning service, at the Parish Church, 720 Cambridge Surprise: W. Keeble (conductor) 1, W. Butler 2, W. Mellin 3, C. Pease 4, A. Evers 5, E. Bright 6. Also a touch of Woodbine Treble Bob. First 720 Cambridge by ringers of 2 and 5.

**BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER.**—On Sunday, August 20th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: H. E. Gillett 1, J. Collett 2, J. Kevie 3, H. Gillett 4, H. Packer 5, W. Large (conductor) 6, T. Banning 7, J. Butler 8.

**RUGBY.**—St. Andrew's Society.—On Sunday, August 13th, for service, 336 Double Norwich Major: J. A. Smith 1, A. Grant 2, J. A. Fenton 3, W. H. Webb (Croft), first in the method, 4, C. E. Joyes 5, L. Bramell 6, J. B. Fenton 7, C. W. Wheeler 8.

**TUNBRIDGE WELLS.**—At St. Peter's Church, on Sunday evening, August 13th, 1,280 of Bob Major: F. Ballard 1, B. Collison (first in any method) 2, H. Markwell 3, Miss D. Orlebar 4, W. Collison (first in the method) 5, W. Latter 6, F. White 7, S. H. Green 8. Composed and conducted by S. H. Green.

**NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.**—On Sunday, July 31st, for evening song, 480 Kent Treble Bob Major: E. Dummer 1, G. Williams 2, G. Pullinger 3, W. G. Rowe 4, R. Paine 5, C. J. Fray 6, W. T. Tucker (conductor) 7, O. H. Giles 8.—On Sunday, August 20th, for morning service, 576 Bob Major: E. Munday 1, E. Dummer 2, Geo. Williams 3, W. G. Edwards 4, C. J. Fray 5, A. Marks 6, W. T. Tucker (conductor) 7, O. H. Giles 8.

### WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Winchester District was held at Diben on Saturday last. The bells of Diben and Fawley were available. Those at Diben were kept going during the afternoon to Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob, Double Norwich, Kent, Superlative, and Cambridge Surprise Major. Tea was held at the Church Room, kindly arranged by Mr. W. Chambers. Mr. Geo. Williams (Master) presided, and members from Bishopstoke, Southampton, North Stoneham, Portsea, Cuxridge, Ringwood, and the local band were present, as well as Mr. J. H. Shepherd, of Swindon.

Mr. Williams proposed a vote of thanks to the Rectors of Diben and Fawley, which was carried.

Further ringing took place at Diben, and a party of six cycled to Fawley, some seven miles away, with Mr. Shepherd in command. The annual meeting of the district will take place at Romsey on November 4th.

### GUILDFORD DISTRICT.

A very successful combined practice of the Guildford District was held at Godalming on Saturday last, ringers being present from Chiddingfold, Guildford (Holy Trinity and St. Nicolas), Godalming, Haslemere, and Shere. Good practice was made in various methods, including Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Kent Treble Bob, and Double Norwich. It is hoped to arrange more of these practices in the near future.

### MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the South and West district was held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, August 19th. Ringing commenced shortly after 3 p.m., and was followed by a short service, conducted by the Rev. J. Huxley Williams, who in his address welcomed the Association to St. Peter's, on behalf of the Vicar (the Rev. F. Marriott), who entertained the members to tea in the Parish Hall after service.—The Rev. J. Huxley Williams presided at the business meeting which followed, and was supported by the Ringing Master (Mr. C. S. Bird).—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for his kind hospitality and for allowing the members the use of the bells and Church Hall; to the Rev. Huxley Williams, the Ringing Master, the organist, and Mr. J. Preston for their kindly assistance to the Association.

A vote of thanks was also accorded to the Vicar of St. Mary's for the use of his bells after tea, and the steeplekeeper, Mr. S. Greenwood.

Over 40 ringers attended, and the methods rung varied from Grandsire to Cambridge.

### A GATHERING IN SOMERSET.

A meeting of old friends took place in Somerset during a recent week-end. On August 12th the first five of the party met at the Parade, Taunton. They were Messrs. J. H. B. Hesse (Haslemere), J. Thomas (London), J. Tyler, P. Merson and J. Hunt (Taunton), and they proceeded by taxi to East Lyng, where the five bells were raised in peal, and six-scores of Grandsire, Plain Bob and Stedman were tapped off. At St. Benedict's, Glastonbury, the little party met Mr. J. T. Dyke, and Cambridge Surprise and Kent Treble Bob Minor were brought round. Away again, the party next called at East Pennard, where they were met by the genial Vicar, who rang Bob Minor with them. Cambridge Minor and Stedman Doubles were also rung before going on to Ditchat, the object of the day. Here, after lunch, Messrs. W. Farley, of Wells, and A. H. Pulling, of Winchester Guild fame, brought the band up to eight in number, and a splendid peal of Stedman Triples was 'bagged.' After an excellent tea, all except Mr. W. Farley went on to Queen Camel to try the most excellent peal of six in England. The tenor is really one of Purdue's jewels, weighing 36 cwt. 2 qr. Cambridge Minor, Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles were rung on this noble peal, and a touch of Grandsire Caters and Stedman Triples on the handbells at a house 'within the meaning of the Act,' concluded the programme. Taunton was reached just after 10 p.m., after a day that will be remembered for a long time by those who took part in the trip.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.****PRESTON BRANCH EXPLORES NEW GROUND.**

A very successful meeting of the Preston Branch was held at Scorton on Saturday, August 19th. It is remarkable that no meetings have been held at this tower before, but the Preston branch intend to return to the place now that they have explored it. A party of 30 ringers and wives made the journey from Preston by charabanc, and the more fortunate ones came in their own cars and sidecars, while several made the journey on push bikes, two in particular doing 30 miles each way. The bells were raised soon after 3 p.m., and at once set going to Stedman Triples, followed by touches of Treble Bob and Double Norwich. Tea necessitated three relays owing to the limited accommodation, but the needs of all were amply satisfied by Mr. R. Exton, the verger and head ringer at Scorton.

The business meeting followed tea. Mr. Taylor, of Penwortham, presiding. Mr. E. R. Martin tendered his resignation as branch secretary, which was accepted, and a vote of thanks accorded to him for his past services.

Mr. W. Taylor was appointed in his place, and also to serve on the general committee of the Association.

Several matters relating to the annual social were discussed, and a full report of the recent committee meeting at Preston was presented by the retiring branch secretary.

The usual vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and local ringers at the close of the proceedings.

Further ringing then took place till 8 p.m., when the bells were lowered in peal, and the charabanc was headed for home.

For the information of intending visitors it may be said that the bells are a splendid ring by Messrs. Warner, the tenor being about 19 cwt. in E. The circle is rather spoiled by the clock case, but the 'go' is good, and the village is within easy reach of Blackpool, Preston and Lancaster.

**SUCCESSFUL GATHERING AT OSWALDTWISTLE.**

A most successful and enjoyable meeting of the Blackburn Branch was held at Oswaldtwistle, on Saturday, August 26th, when ringers from the following towers in the branch attended: Blackburn, Parish and St. Michael's; Burnley, Parish and Holy Trinity; Padiham, Accrington, Church Kirk, Rishton; Mr. R. Deal, of Manchester, and Messrs. Taylor, Penwortham, with members of the local tower.

Ringing commenced at 2.30 p.m., and the bells were kept going in various methods till 5.15. Touches were brought round in Grand-sire, Bob Minor, Violet, Grandsire, Bob Major, Kent, Stedman, Double Norwich and Superlative.

An excellent tea was provided in the School Room, after which the business meeting was presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. J. Thornley).

The rest of the evening was spent in a social manner. Songs were beautifully rendered by Miss B. Houldsworth and Mr. J. Tomlinson, whilst Mr. Lofthouse, of Blackburn, gave instrumental selections which delighted everyone. Dancing was indulged in, and all voted the gathering a most enjoyable one.

**NEWBURY RINGERS' OUTING.**

On Saturday, August 12th, Newbury ringers, by the kind invitation of Capt. Borguis, of Oaklands, Curridge, had a splendid outing, visiting towers in North Berks. A start was made at 8.45 a.m. from Newbury, by charabanc, to Curridge and Chieveley, to pick up Capt. Borguis, the Rev. Attlee, and the renowned 'Tommie'. Thence to Hermitage, Bucklebury, Bradfield and Pangbourne on to Stratley, the first place of call, which was reached at 11.30 a.m. The bells were soon got going to Stedman and Grandsire Doubles and Bob Minor.

Lunch was served at the Swan Hotel, and the health of the Captain was proposed and drunk by the company.—The Rev. Attlee stated he had been told if ever he wanted a good outing to get in with the ringers. He was pleased he had done so, and he would never say 'no' again to an invitation.

The captain replied that as he had had such a good time with the ringers on their outing to Windsor he thought it only right to have another one, and he hoped there would be many.

After lunch, Goring tower was visited, and the bells kept going for half an hour. Then on over the hills to Blewbury with its ring of eight, where the visitors indulged in Grandsire Triples for an hour. Passing through Hagbourne, Didcot, and Appleford to Abingdon, where tea was partaken of, they visited St. Helen's, with its peal of ten bells. Grandsire Triples, and with the help of some of the St. Helen's band, Caters were attempted.

The thanks of the company are tendered to the foremen of the tower, visited, and to Captain Borguis for such a successful and enjoyable outing.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION  
HALESWORTH DISTRICT.**

A district meeting was held on Saturday last, at Halesworth, 25 members attending from Beccles, Bungay, Framlingham, Ipswich, Badingham, Loddon, Thornham-Magna, Laxfield, Peasenhall, Kessingland, Henham, Wrentham, Chediston, Wissett and Halesworth. The visitors included Mr. Cyril Johnston, of the Croydon Bell Foundry.

By kind permission of the authorities, the bells of the parish church (8), and also those of Wissett and Chediston (6), were available during the afternoon and evening, and were made good use of by the ringers, touches in several methods being brought round.

Tea was provided at the Swan Hotel, after which the bells were kept going for the remainder of the evening. The day was fine, and a most enjoyable time was spent by all present.

**LORD HENNIKER ELECTED A MEMBER.**

A meeting of the Eye district of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury, and Ipswich Diocesan Association was held at Thornham Magna, members attending from Bungay, Debenham, Kelsale, Ipswich, Wenhamston, Pulham and Wetheringsett, in addition to the local company. Through the kindness of Lord Henniker, tea was served in the Schoolroom, his Lordship presiding, supported by the Rev. E. F. Bingley and Messrs. E. F. Poppy, W. Rose, E. Youngs, and E. Evans (branch secretary).

Lord Henniker, in opening the proceedings, expressed regret at the absence of the District Honorary Secretary (Mr. H. Day), owing to the death of his father, Mr. F. Day, of Eye, who was for many years secretary for the district, and proposed that the Branch Secretary convey a message of condolence to Mrs. Day and family. —This was carried, members rising in their places.

The Rev. E. F. Bingley welcomed the members to Thornham, saying what pleasure the sound of bells gave inhabitants of villages, as well as bringing home to them, whether in glad moments or the more solemn moments of life, what bells stood for.

In proposing Lord Henniker as an honorary member, the Branch Secretary said he felt it an honour that practically the last official business he should do for the Association before leaving the county was to propose his Lordship as a member of the Association, and it would give pleasure to the officers, as well as members, to see his name in the annual report.

Mr. E. F. Poppy proposed that the thanks of those present be accorded the clergy who had placed bells at their disposal, to his Lordship for presiding, and to the ladies who had so kindly waited at table.

**DUDLEY & DISTRICT GUILD.****PLEASANT MEETING AT WOMBORNE.**

A quarterly meeting of this Guild was held at the beautiful and picturesque village of Womborne, Staffs., on Saturday, August 19th, and was favoured with an ideal summer afternoon, members from the various towers in the Guild availing themselves of the opportunity of being present. The bells were at the disposal of the members, from 2.30 until the service, which was conducted by the Rev. H. L. Langley (Vicar), who also gave a homely and inspiring address, in which he extended to the Guild a hearty welcome to his church and parish.

After service, the business meeting took place, at which the Vicar presided. Apologies were announced from Mr. Harry Mason, Mr. Arthur Spittle, and the secretary.—Several new members were added to the roll, including the Vicar, who was pleased to have his name put forward as an honorary member. The next quarterly meeting was fixed to take place at Darlaston, the date being left with the secretary and Rector of Darlaston.

At the close of the meeting a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar of Womborne for so readily granting permission to hold this meeting at his church, also for conducting the service, for his address, for presiding at the meeting, and for the use of the bells; to the organist for the musical portion of the service, to the local ringers, especially Mr. T. Thorpe, for making the necessary arrangements, for the ringing, and to all who had assisted in any way in making the meeting such a happy one.

The Vicar returned thanks for all concerned, and said it was a pleasure to him to be able to meet the members of the Dudley Guild, and he hoped they would visit Womborne again. It was incidentally mentioned that it was just eight years since their last meeting at Womborne, and the Vicar expressed the wish that it would not be eight again before they paid Womborne another visit.

It was proposed to ring the quarterly peal for the Guild at Womborne during the ensuing quarter.

The hope was expressed that many more members will attend the monthly practice of the Guild at St. Thomas' Church, Dudley, when the belfry is open to all ringers from 7.30 p.m. on the first Monday in each month.

## NOTICES.

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, Commercial Road, Woking.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Paul's Cathedral on Sept. 5th; Southwark Cathedral on Sept. 12th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames St., on Sept. 14th and 28th; \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Sept. 19th; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on Sept. 21st; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held at All Saints', Fulham, on Saturday, September 2nd. Tower open from 5 to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14A, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Ambleside on Saturday, Sept. 2nd, at 4 p.m. The bells (8) will be available at 1 p.m.—W. T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Marshfield on Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Wortley, Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Bells ready 2 p.m. Meat tea 2/6 each.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec., Chesterfield.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at Betchworth on Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Tower open 3.30 p.m. (8 bells). Service at 5 p.m. Tea 5.45.—H. F. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The Annual Branch meeting will be held at St. Nicholas, Newchurch, on Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 7. Subscriptions are due. Business important.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Aughton, near Ormskirk, on Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting, 6.30 p.m. Will ringers and friends turn up in good numbers?—John Halsall, Branch Secretary.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.**—West Tyne District.—A district meeting will be held at Wylam to-morrow, Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Bells available 2.30 p.m.—E. Lowrey, 8, Hawthorn Terrace, Walbottle, Newburn.

**BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Roystone on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells available at 2 p.m. Those requiring tea must forward their names to Mr. Walter Hemmings, 52, Church Hill, Roystone, near Barnsley, not later than Sept. 4th. All are invited.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Woodchurch on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at Barman's Bakery at 5 o'clock.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held at Netheravon on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A General meeting of the Association will be held at Northowram on Saturday, September 9th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. onward. Tea will be provided in the Church Schools at 5 p.m., for which a charge of 1/6 each will be made. All applications for tickets must reach Mr. Albert Wright, 16, Mount Pleasant, Northowram, near Halifax, not later than first post Tuesday, Sept. 5th. For further details see circulars.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at St. Francis, Liverpool, on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells ready at 4.30. Meeting 6.30.—Walter Hughes, Branch Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—A District meeting will be held at Aldershot on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells (8) available at 3. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Summer Outing, Saturday, Sept. 9th, Waltham Abbey. Bells available, 3.30, 5 and 7, 9 p.m. Tea at 5.15 p.m. Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, Sept. 4th and 18th; Bishopsgate, Sept. 25th; Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m. Quarterly general meeting, October 2nd, 6.30 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Brookfield Church, Gorton, on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells ready at 4 o'clock. Meeting, 7.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—A quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Emberton, on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Service, 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided.—Walter Sear, Secretary, 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Merthyr, on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells (8). Service at 4.45. Tea and business meeting to follow.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Balderstone, on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6 o'clock.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 31, Samuel Street, Middleton.



**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at St. John's Church, Darlington, on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 9th. The bells at St. John's (8), St. Cuthbert (8) and Holy Trinity (6) are available for ringing during the afternoon. A short service will be held in St. John's Church, at 4.15 p.m., by the Vicar, the Rev. A. S. Thompson, and it is hoped that ringers and friends will attend this service. Tea will be provided at Hunter's Dining Rooms, Prebend Row, at 5 p.m. Members 1/-, non-members 1/6. Those who intend to be at tea please notify the Secretary not later than first post on Wednesday, Sept. 6th.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High St., North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—A quarterly meeting of the North-eastern Division of the Essex Association will be held at Goldhanger, on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Service in Parish Church at 4.30, followed by tea, provided through the kindness of the Rev. F. T. Gardner. Will all members wishing to attend please advise me not later than Tuesday, Sept. 5th?—R. W. Stannard, 12, Ireton Road, Colchester.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bridgnorth Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Quatt, Bridgnorth, on Saturday, September 9th. Ringing at 3 o'clock. Tea and meeting at 5 o'clock. Bus will leave Bridgnorth at 2 o'clock. Will all who intend being present please notify Sec. by the 6th inst.?—W. Hayward, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, North Gate, Bridgnorth.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—A mid-week meeting will be held at Christ Church, Ealing, on Wednesday evening, Sept. 13th. Ringing from 6.45. And the next Saturday meeting will be held at Norwood Green on the 23rd inst.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 16th, at St. Mary's, Woolwich. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Service, 4.45 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. at 1s. Will members and friends please notify by the 12th? Business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—Quarterly meeting at Barcombe, near Lewes, Saturday, Sept. 16th. Tower open, 2.30. Service, 4.30. Tea (by kind invitation), 5. Business meeting to follow. Those intending to be present should notify me not later than Tuesday, Sept. 12th.—A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Hawley, on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Business: election of Secretary. Tea provided for all who inform me by Tuesday, Sept. 12th.—Hilda F. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The September meeting of the above will be held on Saturday, the 23rd, at St. Mark's Church, Bath. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.15, followed by tea at 5 o'clock.—Edith Smith, 23, Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The First Annual Commemoration Dinner, to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Association, will be held at the Griffin Hotel, Boar Lane, Leeds, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, at 6 p.m. Tickets 5s. 6d. each can be obtained from P. J. Johnson, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds, and application for same should be made not later than first post Monday, Sept. 18th.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Thurstaston and Anstey, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea and meeting at Anstey. All requiring tea inform me by Sept. 20th.—H. E. Norman, 52, Ivy Road, Leicester.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Preliminary Notice.—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Isham, Nr. Kettering, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Fuller particulars later.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The next quarterly meeting will be on Saturday, Sept. 30th, at Wigston. The bells (two rings of 8) will be available at 3 o'clock. Committee meet at 4.30. Tea will be at 5.30, followed by general meeting, in the Church School, Wigston Magna. Will those requiring tea, which will be provided at a moderate charge, kindly advise Mr. W. H. Humberstone, 56, Burgess Street, Wigston Magna, Leicester, not later than Thursday, the 28th?—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

**CHANGE RINGER** requires Situation. Any position of trust. Excellent references. Available at once, London or suburbs preferred. Small pension from H.M. Household.—H. Dyas, 185, East Street Buildings, Baker Street, W.1.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
**COVENTRY.**

#### PUBLICATION.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. AGGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TRIPLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ...	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCHE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

**JOHN PRITCHARD,**  
Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½ in. 2¾ in. 3½ in. 3¾ in. 4 in. 4½ in. 5 in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 78/- 98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

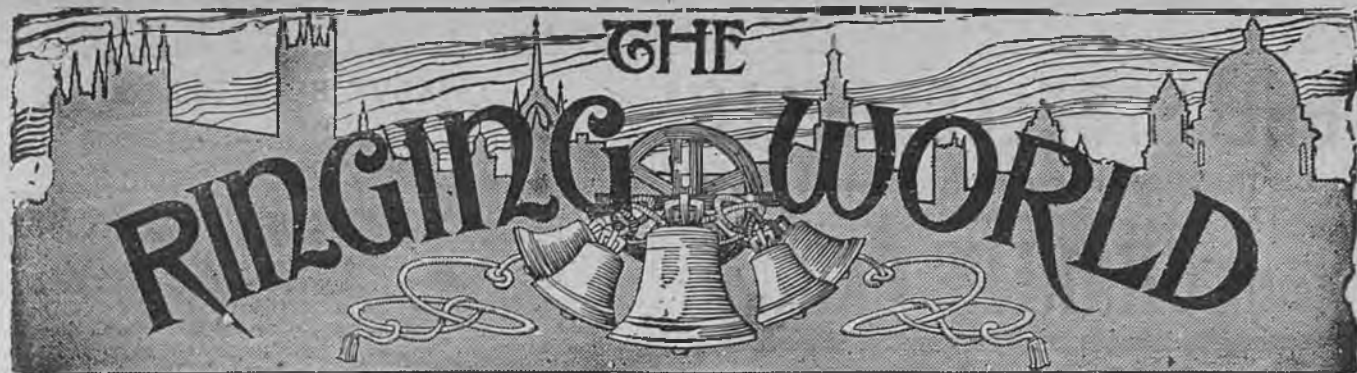
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 88/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 599. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### A REFERENCE SYSTEM.

Recent events have again emphasised the necessity of having available some system of reference by which the author of a method or the composer of a peal can ascertain whether he is the first in the field with his production. A method which turned out to be Lancashire Surprise has just been published again under another name by Mr. Ridgway, who had produced it without any knowledge of its prior publication, and who, as his letter last week explains, had tried all available avenues open to him to see if the method had been obtained before. Then there was Mr. Pitman's Triples method, which had long ago been worked out by Mr. J. W. Parker, but which had not been previously published. Here, within a week or so, are two instances which show the need for some central reference to which composers can go for information. It has been due to the want of these facilities in the past that some of the Minor methods have been rung under three or four different names.

What applies to methods applies also to peal compositions. A recent case in point was the peal of Cambridge Royal, which had been rung with the names of Mr. William Pye and the Rev. H. Law James as composers. It is only when some accident brings to light the fact that the productions of two or more men are the same thing that the real title to authorship can be decided; indeed, we have seen how it is possible for it to remain in dispute even when it is clear that one or other of the claimants must be in the wrong. Our contention is that the Central Council should file copies of all methods and the figures of all peals that are in existence, so far as they are obtainable, so arranged that they may be accessible for reference. The subject was before the Council at the last meeting, but, being involved with a resolution that proposed the proving of all peals before they are rung or published, this part of the motion did not receive the consideration it deserved, and was defeated largely, if not entirely, because it was coupled with a proposal which the Council looked upon as impracticable. If methods and peals were classified—the classification on the lines of the Council's publications might not, and, in the case of peal compositions, certainly would not be the best way of doing it—any composer could at small trouble find out whether what he had got to give the Exercise had been previously obtained. It would be a source of satisfaction to the conscientious man, and save a good deal of heart-burning among those who know that peals which they have long since found are being claimed by composers who have come on the scene at a much later date. This is a matter in which no time should be lost. Delay will only add to the labour and the difficulties of the task of setting up the file, and even now it will be a big undertaking.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

**Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.**

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

**Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR, SOUTHWARK,  
**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 50 cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... .. 2	...Treble	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2		WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 8
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 3		GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. 9
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 4		HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 10
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 5		WILLIAM PYE ... .. 11
REUBEN CHARGE... .. 6		REUBEN SANDERS... .. 12

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

This composition is now rung for the first time.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 6081 CHANGES;**

Tenor 33 cwt. in C sharp.

HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 2	...Treble	HARRY M. HAWKSWOOD ... 7
*EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... 2		HARRY A. FARLOW ... .. 8
*ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... 3		ABRAHAM GREENFIELD ... 9
WILLIAM A. COOPER... .. 4		*BERT HORTON ... .. 10
†JOHN PERRY ... .. 5		WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 11
EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... 6		THOMAS SMITH ... .. 12

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

Specially arranged for Mr. E. Barnett, of Crayford, Kent. \* First peal of Grandsire Cinques. † First peal on twelve.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

CULLOMPTON, DEVON.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 22 cwt.

JESSE B. TYLER ... .. 2	...Treble	*ALEXANDER EVANS ... .. 6
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 2		FRANK MILLARD... .. 7
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 3		EDGAR BURGESS... .. 8
PERCY S. MERSON ... .. 4		JAMES HUNT ... .. 9
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 5		GABRIEL CHAMBERLAIN ... 10

Composed by G. T. DALTRY.

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. First peal on the bells.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 2	...Treble	ROBERT A. FARDON ... .. 6
FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... 2		WILSON RUSHTON ... .. 7
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 3		CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD 8
ERNEST BRETT ... .. 4		WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ... 9
CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... 5		THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 10

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

BECCELES, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Aug. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CAMPANILE TOWER OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5030 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb. in D flat.

CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 2	...Treble	FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2		†EDWIN R. GOATE ... .. 7
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 3		NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 8
*ARTHUR H. WEBBER... .. 4		WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 9
†CHARLES F. SAYER ... .. 5		BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON ... 10

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal of Caters and in the method.

OXFORD.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(OXFORD SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, Aug. 31, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
At New College.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt. 3 qr.	
WILLIAM HARRIS... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS ... 6
JACK HONEY... .. 2	ALBERT E. LOCK ... 7
MRS. ALBERT E. LOCK ... 3	VICTOR BENNETT... .. 8
FRANCIS TAYLOR... .. 4	GORDON CADDWELL... .. 9
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... 5	WILLIAM STONE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by ALBERT E. LOCK.  
First peal of Royal by all except ringers of the 5th and 6th.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5091 CHANGES;

Tenor 25½ cwt.	
JOHN CAPP ... .. Treble	ARTHUR J. BARTLETT ... 6
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT... .. 2	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 7
CHARLES PALMER ... .. 3	JOHN DEARLOVE... .. 8
ALFRED W. GROVES ... 4	KEITH HART ... .. 9
MAURICE SMITHER ... 5	ALFRED H. PULLING... .. Tenor

Composed by EDGAR BENNETT. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.  
\* First peal of Stedman Caters.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NEW SHOREHAM, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.	
YORK BRAMBLE ... .. Treble	BERT CHALLEN ... .. 5
JOHN RICE ... .. 2	LIONEL SEARS ... .. 6
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 3	HENRY STALHAM... .. 7
*ERNEST MARSH ... .. 4	FREDERICK GREGORY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. STALHAM.

Rung on the occasion of the induction of the Rev. F. E. G. Glossop,  
as Vicar of New Shoreham. \* First peal in the method.

MINEHEAD, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Aug. 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.	
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. Treble	FREDERICK DATE ... .. 5
JOHN G. HAMBLETON ... 2	SIDNEY MASON ... .. 6
*CHARLES STRAWBRIDGE ... 3	GEORGE ATKINS... .. 7
JOHN PUGSLEY ... .. 4	†WILLIAM MALE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE ATKINS.

\* First peal with a bob bell. † First peal.

PETERSFIELD, HANTS.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Aug. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 15½ cwt.	
SIDNEY POCOCK ... .. Treble	GEORGE BARNES ... .. 5
WILLIAM BUTLER ... .. 2	ARCHIBALD J. GARRETT ... 6
ARTHUR BUTLER ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. READ ... .. 7
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... 4	HENRY MELLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

MILTON, NORTHANTS. — On Saturday, August 12th, at the Church of the Holy Cross, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 48 mins.: A. Turner 1, C. Yates 2, F. Newman 3, J. Townsend (conductor) 4, P. Asplin 5. All belong to the local band except the ringer of the third, who belongs to Collingtree.

FEERING, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Aug. 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.	
FRANK CLAYDON ... .. Treble	JOHN SADLER ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. P. MELLINS ... 2	WILLIAM ELLIOTT ... .. 6
ROBERT FISHER ... .. 3	WALTER FARLEY... .. 7
ERNEST BRIGHT ... .. 4	WILLIAM KEEBLE... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN BARKER. Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.  
Arranged for W. Farley, of Wells, Somerset. The conductor's 350th peal.

SWANSCOMBE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Aug. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter and Paul.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.	
ALFRED BROOM ... .. Treble	CLER. SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. 5
JOHN BURLS ... .. 2	GEORGE MORRAD ... .. 6
MRS. F. M. MITCHELL ... 3	WILLIAM HARPER ... .. 7
*PERCY E. CLARE ... .. 4	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by FREDK. M. MITCHELL.  
\* First peal in the method and first attempt. This peal was arranged for Mr. P. E. Clarke, who was on a visit from Ealing. For calling see Kent County Handbook for 1909, page 77.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)  
On Wednesday Aug. 30, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.	
TOM STANCLIFFE... .. Treble	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. 5
FRED BRADLEY ... .. 2	LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... 6
ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN ... 3	RICHARD H. STANCLIFFE ... 7
FRED CHAMBERS ... .. 4	JOHN WATSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. DAY. Conducted by T. STANCLIFFE.

First peal as conductor. Rung with the bells muffled as a token of respect to Mr. Thomas Cross, a prominent worker at the above church, who was interred at Blackburn Cemetery the same day.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Sept. 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.	
*JAMES GOODSSELL ... .. Treble	REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... 5
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 2	THOMAS HOAD ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. HOAD ... .. 3	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, JUN. ... 7
ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... 4	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.  
\* First peal of Major. Arranged for Mr. G. M. Kilby, of Cricklewood, and rung as a birthday compliment to Ernest W. Edwards, one of the local ringers and son of the conductor, on his 17th birthday.

CORSTON, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

JOHNSON'S VARIATION OF MIDDLETON'S. Tenor 9½ cwt.	
FREDERICK G. LEAKER ... Treble	CHARLES H. GORDON ... 5
*MISS ANNIE BROWN ... .. 2	EDWIN J. BROWN ... .. 6
ALBERT STOWELL ... .. 3	*JAMES R. JONES... .. 7
ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM A. CAVE.

\* First peal of Cambridge and first attempt. First peal of Major on the bells.

ELLAND.—On June 1st, 8th, and August 24th, retained in hand. 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Miss Edith Dobson 1, J. R. Eastwood 2, Miss Maggie Eastwood 3, Miss Mary Dyson 4, G. H. Simon 5-6.



LONGNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S ONE-PART.

*TREVERS PRITCHARD... ..Treble	GEORGE ORCHARD ... .. 5
WILLIAM IRELAND ... .. 2	ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 6
THOMAS BALDWIN ... .. 3	FRANK COLE ... .. 7
WILLIAM HASTINGS ... .. 4	THOMAS PRICE ... ..Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

\* First peal.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN LLOYD ... ..Treble	HARRY PRICE ... .. 5
JOHN BASS ... .. 2	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. 6
*WILLIAM POTTER ... .. 3	CHARLES E. PERKINS ... .. 7
SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE ... ..Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal in the method.

ROSS, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 24½ cwt.

WILLIAM T. POSTON ... ..Treble	WILLIAM BISHOP ... .. 5
EX-SGT. J. WILLIAMS ... .. 2	JOHN CLARK ... .. 6
JOHN J. BEVAN ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. 7
ALFRED T. POULTON ... .. 4	JAMES BISHOP ... ..Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

GREAT TEY, ESSEX.  
THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

WALDERS' VARIATION OF PARKER'S. Tenor 16 cwt.

*JOHN SADLER ... ..Treble	FRANK CLAYDON ... .. 5
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM ... .. 2	*WILLIAM ELLIOTT ... .. 6
ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... .. 3	WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. 7
WALTER FARLEY ... .. 4	WALTER ARNOLD ... ..Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM.

\* First peal of Triples. First peal of Triples on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Elliott.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN GARRATT ... ..Treble	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 5
JOHN HALL ... .. 2	HARRY HALL ... .. 6
ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. 3	VICTOR E. KERRIDGE ... .. 7
DAVID G. WIGHTMAN ... .. 4	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... ..Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. N. R. Bailey and the conductor. This composition contains the 2nd the full extent home. For calling see Association Report 1895, peal No. 653.

ROYDON, ESSEX.—On Wednesday evening, August 9th, at St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Mr. R. Greenfield, postmaster, of Roydon: W. Wedlock 1, J. Cavill (conductor) 2, B. G. Burton 3, Jas. Mansfield 4, H. Shuttlewood 5, W. G. Mansfield 6, Messrs. Wedlock bail from Epping, Burton and Jas. Mansfield from Nazeing.

UCKFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr.

*ALEC RICHARDSON ... ..Treble	*WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... .. 5
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 6
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 3	*HERBERT MARKWELL ... .. 7
MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 4	FREDERICK WHITE ... ..Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal in the method. Mr. Cartwright was elected a member of the Association previous to starting.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

SPALDWICK, HUNTS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

*HORACE BOSWORTH ... ..Treble	THOMAS H. TOWNSEND ... .. 4
†DONALD SMITH ... .. 2	THOMAS TOWNSEND ... .. 5
†WILFRED C. IBBETT ... .. 3	†SIDNEY J. PECK ... ..Tenor

Conducted by SIDNEY J. PECK.

\* First peal of Minor. † First peal of Minor on an 'inside' bell.  
† First peal as conductor.

CHURCHILL, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHIPPING NORTON DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Sunday, Aug. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

10 different callings.

*ALFRED HILL ... ..Treble	CHARLES J. GARDINER ... .. 4
*LIONEL TIMMS ... .. 2	WALTER LARGE ... .. 5
JACK KEYTE ... .. 3	CECIL W. LOCKE ... ..Tenor

Conducted by WALTER LARGE.

\* First peal. Arranged and rung as a farewell to the Rector (Rev. E. J. Johnson), who is resigning and leaving the parish. Ringers of 1st and 2nd are local men, 3rd from Charlbury, 4th from Swindon, 5th and 6th from Stretton-on-Fosse.

DENVER, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three 720's of Oxford Treble Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob.  
Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb. in A flat.

TONY PRICE ... ..Treble	JOHN RODWELL, JUN. ... .. 4
*FREDERICK HOWSON ... .. 2	BERT GOGLE ... .. 5
FRED WIGMORE ... .. 3	CLAUDE COUSINS ... ..Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

\* First peal. Specially arranged for the ringer of the 2nd, to whom great credit is due, as he is only 13 years of age.

BROMHAM, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OWEN,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent  
Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court and Plain Bob.

Tenor 23½ cwt.

CHARLES MORTIMER ... ..Treble	HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 4
CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. 2	HERBERT L. HARLOW ... .. 5
*ALFRED KING ... .. 3	WILLIAM STAPLETON ... ..Tenor

Conducted by W. STAPLETON.

\* First peal of Minor. H. L. Harlow's 100th peal. The peal was arranged for Mr. A. King.

**HANDBELL PEAL.**

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Sept. 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5178 CHANCES;**

Tapped on handbells by  
ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.  
Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

BOLTON BRANCH.

On Saturday last, the Bolton Branch held a very successful meeting at Leigh Parish Church, over forty members being present, with visitors from Manchester and Wigan branches. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob and Bob Major were brought round.

The business proceedings were presided over by the vice-president, Mr. J. Potter, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at West-houghton.

Nominations for the positions of President, Ringing Secretary and Treasurer, were discussed, and it was decided to nominate the present holders.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the ringers for their hearty reception.

**MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.**

**ALDERSHOT, HANTS.**—At the Parish Church, on Wednesday, June 21st, on the occasion of the presentation of the Charter for the new Municipal Borough of the town of Aldershot, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 43 mins., by members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild: C-Sergt. G. Gilbert, R.E. 1, Miss A. Fisher 2, Miss B. Mills 3, Miss H. F. Mills 4, A. J. Croucher 5, R. J. Hasted 6, R. Hasted (conductor) 7, G. Peto 8. The ringers of the 6th and 7th batt from Farnham, the rest belong to the local band.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On Thursday, August 17th, after the fortnightly Thursday evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Mrs. H. Baker (Frittenden) 1, H. Baker (Frittenden) 2, T. E. Sone (Linton) 3, H. Head (Staplehurst) 4, G. Billenness (conductor) 5, J. Head (Staplehurst) 6, B. Baker (Frittenden) 7, F. Chapman 8. Composed by A. J. Pimman. This is the first time a lady ringer has taken part in a quarter-peal at Hawk-hurst, and it was rung at the first attempt.

**LIVERPOOL.**—On Tuesday, August 15th, at the Church of St. Nicholas, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,299 changes), in 55 mins.: W. Davies 1, W. J. Bowden 2, W. Fisher 3, \*C. S. Benwell 4, F. Hammond, junr., 5, A. Lowe 6, J. Martin (composer and conductor) 7, \*S. F. Barnes 8, E. Canuce 9, C. I. Davies 10. Specially arranged for Mr. Bowden (Edmonton) and Mr. Lowe (Beeston, Notts). \* First quarter-peal of Stedman Caters.

**PERRY BARR, STAFFS.**—On Monday, August 14th, at St. John's Church, in 44 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Cooper 1, G. T. Mitchison 2, James George 3, M. Watts, Read 4, F. W. Rushworth 5, O. Davis 6, R. O. Ingram (composer and conductor) 7, H. Cook 8. Rung to celebrate the 18th birthday of the conductor, the whole of the band congratulating this promising young ringer. Except Mr. James George, all are members of the local band.

**HAYES, KENT.**—On August 14th, 720 Kent Treble Bob and 720 Oxford Single Bob: J. Grandfield 1, H. Reader 2, J. Hack 3, O. Gilbey 4, H. Brown 5, J. Brown 6. Conducted by O. Gilbey and H. Reader respectively.—On August 21st, 720 Merchant's Return, standing as above. Conducted by H. Brown.

**LUTON, BEDS.**—At the Parish Church, for a wedding, on August 22nd, two quarter-peals of Stedman Triples: H. Walker 1, A. King 2, T. Blackburn 3, T. Kendall 4, C. Rollings 5, B. Jarman 6, L. A. Goodenough (conductor) 7, A. Rookwood 8.

**OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Thursday, August 24th, for evening, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: T. Marshall 1, R. Evans 2, J. Hughes 3, W. B. Kynaston 4, H. Jarman 5, R. Edwards 6, E. Jones (conductor) 7, Miss Hilda Orchard 8. Arranged for Miss Orchard, of Portishead, Som., and rung as a birthday compliment to W. B. Kynaston.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

**CHURCH TOWER AND BELLS DESTROYED.**

A fire broke out at Croughton Church, Northants, on Monday, the tower being completely burnt out, and the bells destroyed.

The church, which was recently restored at a cost of several thousand pounds, is partly Norman and Early English.

On the wall of the chancel is a Jacobean monument of John Clarke, who died in 1603, while the carved ends of some of the oak seats are noteworthy.

**LEEDS & DISTRICT SOCIETY.**

A well-attended meeting of the above Society was held on Saturday, August 26th, at Calverley. In the afternoon an attempt was made for a peal of Treble Bob Major, but came to grief through a rope slipping the wheel. Afterwards the bells were rung to Stedman, Double Norwich and Treble Bob.

The business meeting was held in the tower, Mr. Popplewell being in the chair, supported by members from Rothwell, Bolton, Shipley, Pudsey, Headingley, Armley, Leeds Parish Church, Idle, and the local band.

The company for the peal attempt at Idle was selected.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and the local company for their kind arrangements. This concluded the business, and further ringing then took place.

**REV. H. LAW JAMES' 300 PEALS.**

The Rev. H. Law James has just completed his third century of peals, and few ringers, we imagine, can claim so great a variety of methods in such a collection:—

	Con-			
	Tower	Hand	ducted	Tl.
<b>MAXIMUS.</b>				
Kent Treble Bob	1	1	—	2
Plain Bob	—	1	—	1
<b>CINQUES.</b>				
Grandsire	1	—	—	1
<b>ROYAL.</b>				
Cambridge Surprise	5	—	5	6
Granta Kent Treble Bob	—	1	1	1
Kent Treble Bob	5	—	3	5
Oxford Treble Bob	1	—	1	1
Double Court	1	—	1	1
Double Norwich Court	1	—	1	1
Double Oxford Bob	1	—	1	1
Double Bob	1	—	1	1
Little Bob	1	—	1	1
Plain Bob	10	—	6	10
<b>CATERS.</b>				
Stedman	10	—	5	10
Surfbeat Treble Bob	2	—	2	2
Double Norwich Court	1	—	—	1
Grandsire	13	4	10	17
<b>MAJOR.</b>				
London Surprise	2	—	2	2
Gloucester Surprise	1	—	1	1
Cambridge Surprise	12	—	10	12
Superlative Surprise	9	—	5	9
Kent Treble Bob	19	3	16	22
Oxford Treble Bob	4	—	3	4
Granta Kent Treble Bob	1	1	1	2
Canterbury Pleasure	1	—	1	1
Little Bob	4	—	—	4
Plain Bob	19	2	13	21
Double Norwich	37	4	31	41
Double Oxford	3	—	3	3
Norwich Court	—	1	—	1
<b>TRIPLES.</b>				
Stedman	51	4	17	55
Grandsire	14	3	6	17
Canterbury Pleasure	1	—	—	1
Bob Triples	1	2	2	3
<b>*MINOR</b>	37	—	32	37
<b>DOUBLES</b>	2	—	2	2
	273	27	183	300

\* 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 12, 14, and 16 methods all in 7 complete extents.

**QUICK SIX TRIPLES.****A NEW METHOD WHICH DESERVES ATTENTION.**

There is such a dearth of higher Triples methods, that something new, which would be really worthy of practice, should be welcomed by the Exercise. In our issue of August 25th we published a new Triples method which Mr. A. J. Pitman, of Port Talbot had evolved. As subsequent information goes to show, the same method in a better form, in that it keeps the division heads in coursing order, had been previously obtained by Mr. J. W. Parker, of Sunderland, who, however, had not published it, merely for the reason, we believe, that a peal is not possible without a call which has five bells lying still. Mr. Pitman's peal contains two Holt's Singles to achieve this end, with Stedman bobs for the rest of the calls. Mr. Parker produced a peal containing Holt's Singles only, and remarkable for its simplicity.

For the benefit of our readers, we give the method in the form that Mr. Parker produced it, and in which form it is more likely to commend itself to ringers. It is a method which, we believe, will be found more difficult than Stedman to ring, and deserves the attention of those who are looking for something fresh. Mr. Pitman's composition also runs true to form.

**THE METHOD.**

Division head (1)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
	2 1 3 5 4 7 6
	2 3 1 4 5 6 7
	3 2 4 1 6 5 7
	3 4 2 6 1 7 5
	4 3 2 1 6 5 7
	4 2 3 6 1 7 5
	2 4 3 1 6 5 7
	2 3 4 6 1 7 5
	3 2 6 4 7 1 5
	3 6 2 7 4 5 1
	6 3 2 4 7 1 5
	6 2 3 7 4 5 1
	2 6 3 4 7 1 5
	2 3 6 7 4 5 1
	3 2 7 6 5 4 1
	3 7 2 5 6 1 4
	7 3 2 6 5 4 1
	7 2 3 5 6 1 4
	2 7 3 6 5 4 1
	2 3 7 5 6 1 4
	3 2 5 7 1 6 4
	3 5 2 1 7 4 6
	5 3 2 7 1 6 4
	5 2 3 1 7 4 6
	2 5 3 7 1 6 4
	2 3 5 1 7 4 6
	3 2 1 5 4 7 6
	3 1 2 4 5 6 7
	1 3 2 5 4 7 6
Division Head (2)	3 1 5 2 7 4 6
Division Head (3)	5 3 7 1 6 2 4
Division Head (4)	7 5 6 3 4 1 2
Division Head (5)	6 7 4 5 2 3 1
Division Head (6)	4 6 2 7 1 5 3
Division Head (7)	2 4 1 6 3 7 5

The twin Stedman bobs are made at the points marked \*

5,040 by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

123456	2nd Division.	3rd Div.	5th Div.
312564	H	H	H
416523			H
345261		H	H

Seven times repeated, with a Holt at 2 in the second course of the 4th and 8th parts.

Obtained with 50 calls only, all of which are Holt's Singles.

**AN EXCELLENT PEAL.**

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Being away from home, I could not write last week regarding Mr. A. J. Pitman's new Triples. As Mr. George Baker kindly took the trouble to point out to you, I have had this method and the extent for some years. However, Mr. Pitman is the first to publish it, and his peal is an excellent one.

Knowing something of the difficulties to be overcome and the care required, before such a peal can be completed, I can sincerely congratulate him on discovering the extent of Triples in such a method, and can vouch for the truth of the peal.

In writing this I am chiefly concerned, now that it has been published, that the method should be taken up by the Exercise, for it is

certainly worthy of attention. In the way it is put before us by Mr. Pitman, it not only appears irregular, but it is stated so briefly that but few conductors will be able to follow the calling. To obtain perfect regularity the plain course should commence at the middle of the six, where seventh's place is made, when the position of the twin bobs will be much clearer.

As there is a great need for good Triple systems, I venture to suggest that, with your permission, Mr. Pitman should give us a further exposition of this method. A peal with Holt's singles only, 46 being the minimum, appears to be worthy of consideration.—Yours sincerely,

JOSEPH W. PARKER.

We should be glad to fall in with Mr. Parker's suggestion to publish a further exposition of the method.—Ed. 'R.W.'

**BERKHAMPSTED BELLS.****APPEAL FOR A NEW RING.**

'An Old Bell Ringer' has written to the 'Berkhamsted Gazette,' appealing for a new ring of bells in the Parish Church. He writes: 'May I, through the medium of your columns, call attention to the fact that it is high time that the bells of St. Peter's, Berkhamsted, were replaced by a new set worthy of the old church. Here we have the finest old church for miles around, in the centre of a very pretty old-time town, where thousands of people, in the course of a year, are called to church by a peal of bells which really are a disgrace to our fine old parish church. All around are much smaller and less important churches which have a peal of bells with a very sweet tone and which are a delight to hear, fit to grace the finest churches in the country. Yet an ancient and historical old church like St. Peter's has a peal of bells out of tune, and the sixth bell cracked to such an extent that for some considerable time now it has been unsafe to ring it. According to my opinion bells are placed in the tower of a church with the idea that when they are ringing for a service they sound so sweet and beautiful that people are drawn by them to the more beautiful service of God inside the church. But the bells of St. Peter's far from being sweet and delightful to hear soon get on one's nerves, especially those people who live quite near to the church. Although it is a big and expensive item to hang new bells, cannot something be done by the people of Berkhamsted to remove any cause for complaint in respect of the finest old building in this ancient and historical old town?'

**PRESENTATION TO LEWES RINGER.****SECRETARIAL SERVICES RECOGNISED.**

At a special gathering of ringers at Southover Church, Lewes, Sussex, on Tuesday of last week, a presentation was made to Mr. Charles Errey, in recognition of his services as secretary to the local Guild for eight years. In addition to the local men there were several visiting ringers present, and some good touches in various methods were brought round.

When ringing ceased, the Rector and President of the Guild (the Rev. G. M. Davies) presided over the gathering, supported by the following vice-presidents: Capt. R. C. Souter (churchwarden), Alderman B. V. Verral, Messrs. O. T. Lloyd and J. T. Glandfield.

Mr. J. T. Glandfield explained that the meeting was called to do honour to the long and valuable services rendered to the Guild by their old friend, Mr. Charles Errey. It would be remembered, he said, that at the last annual meeting Mr. Errey felt bound to resign from the office which he had held for eight years. The Guild were indebted to him for his good work. Frequently during the war Mr. Errey was the only one to ring for Sunday services. He (the speaker) had the privilege of being closely associated with Mr. Errey during many years, and could testify to his sterling worth and to his wholeheartedness in carrying on the best traditions of the Guild.

Capt. Souter, Alderman Verral and Mr. C. T. Lloyd bore testimony to the valuable services which Mr. Errey had rendered to the Guild, and expressed their pleasure at being associated with others in the testimonial to him.

The Rector endorsed all that had been said previously and testified that he had always found Mr. Errey steadfast and reliable. They were all sorry to lose him officially, but glad to know that he would be at hand to assist when required. He had not known him as long as the others present, but he was very glad to have the pleasant duty of handing him the little mark of appreciation which the members of the Guild (both ringing and honorary) had placed in his hands.

The Rector then handed a gold bell watch pendant to Mr. Errey, the inscription on which read: 'Southover Church Bell Ringers' Guild, Charles Errey, Hon. Sec., 1914-22.'

Mr. C. Errey, who replied in a few well-chosen words, said he much appreciated their kindly thought, and he valued and would always keep their gift in memory of his many happy years of association with the Guild.

The Rector was heartily thanked for taking the chair and making the presentation, on the motion of Mr. R. J. Dawe (captain), seconded by Mr. J. Steadman.

**TOUR THROUGH HERTS, BUCKS & BEDS.**

Through the kindness of the Vicar and churchwardens, the ringers of the Parish Church, Luton, had their annual outing on Saturday, August 19th. The weather was perfect, and a start was made by motor at 9.30 a.m., by way of Harpenden, St. Albans, Watford, Rickmansworth, and Uxbridge. St. John's, Hillingdon, was reached at 11.45 a.m., a quarter of an hour after scheduled time, due to the rough roads between Oxley and Denham Corner. A visit was made to St. John's Church, and the ringers were welcomed by Miss N. D. Williams and Mr. J. J. Pratt. Wending their way up the ancient oak staircase, the belfry was reached, and the bells, a nice peal of ten, set going for about an hour to Stedman and Grandsire Cater, and Bob Royal. St. Andrew's, Uxbridge, with a light peal of eight, in good going order, was the next place of call, Mr. Hancock having everything in readiness. Touches of Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise Major were brought round in fine style.

Tracks were then made to the Chequer, Hotel, where an admirable lunch was partaken of, and greatly enjoyed, after which the charabanc was again boarded for Beaconsfield via Gerrard's Cross. The visitors were welcomed at the belfry by Mr. Buckland and Mr. Cecil Mayne, the writer not having met the latter gentleman for about 13 years. The methods rung on this fine peal, hung with roller bearings by Messrs. Meats and Stainbank, were Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Major, one of the locals, ringing his second course of Cambridge Surprise faultlessly. Bidding Beaconsfield friends adieu a drive of two hours through some of the finest scenery in Bucks, via High Wycombe, Princes Risboro', Wendover and Halton Camp (one of the members having a very vivid recollection of this neighbourhood during the great war) was enjoyed, and Tring was reached at 6 p.m., Mr. Reeves, a very keen campanologist, meeting the party. Tea at the George Hotel was well served by Host Burton, after which the tower was visited, and the grand peal, with tenor about 26 cwt., set to the tune of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Major.

At 8.30 p.m. a hasty good-bye was said to the Tring ringers, and tracks made for home via Dunstable, Luton being reached at 10 p.m., after a most pleasant time. This opportunity is taken to express the ringers' best thanks to the incumbents of the various churches for their kindness in allowing them the use of the bells, and to the various friends met with on the trip for having everything in readiness, and for their kind welcome.

A. K.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES.  
IN FOUR-BOB SETS.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I shall be glad to know through 'The Ringing World' whether the following composition of Stedman Triples (in four-bob sets) throughout and only two singles) has been obtained before, and if so, to whom it belongs? Thanking you in anticipation.—Yours faithfully,

A. J. PITMAN.

2314567	VI	S	H	L
3461257	S			

4251637	x	x		
2631547	x	x		
6541327	x	x		
5321467	x	x		
6125347		x	x	
4526137		x	x	
5136247	x	x		
1246357	x	x		
2356417	x	x		
1652347		x	x	

Repeat twice from the line adding single V after quick in last course of 3rd part.

Continued	S	H	L
(2314567)			

5412357		x	x
4352167	x	x	
3162547	x	x	
4263157		x	x
5364217		x	x
1465327		x	x
4325617	x	x	
1524367	x	x	
6421537	x	x	
3126457		x	x

Repeat twice.

**STOKE RINGERS' OUTING.**

On Saturday, August 26th, the ringers of Stoke-on-Trent visited Broughton, where the beautiful peal of bells have been recently hung. The party left Stoke by charabanc, and reached Broughton after a lovely ride. On arrival at the church they were met by the local ringers and Mr. Weatherby, of Market Drayton. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung, after which the visitors made their way to the Church Room, a party of 26, including the locals, sitting down to tea, generously provided by the Vicar. After tea change ringing on the handbells was greatly appreciated. Subsequently there was further ringing on the tower bells with the local men before the party returned to Stoke, after having had a most enjoyable outing. The best thanks are due to Mr. Lawton (who first learned the art of change ringing at Stoke) and the local ringers for having everything in readiness, and to the Vicar for the use of the bells.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE**  
**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Congratulations are due to young Frederick Howson, who, at thirteen years of age, has rung his first peal, a 5,040 of Minor in two methods, and on a 'bob' bell. It is quite a good performance.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have been given the order to rehang the peal of eight at Crayford in a new iron frame, the whole cost of which is being generously defrayed by Mr. G. Evans, a former churchwarden for nearly forty years, and whose family increased the peal from five to eight in 1876 in memory of their father.

There was an error in our recent reference in this column to the first 'silent' peal of Stedman Triples having been rung at Drayton. Mr. Joseph Griffin reminds us that the first performance of this peal without a conductor was at St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, on Nov. 20th, 1886.

Mr. J. E. Davis writes, with reference to the footnote to the peal at Isleworth, rung on Saturday, August 26th, that he conducted a peal of Double Norwich there on September 29th, 1906. The accuracy of the footnote, however, depends upon when the bells were last rung.

Mr. J. E. Sykes, that missionary of ringing, who has been for some time past in Scotland, writes to say that 'steeples' still live. He found it in far-off Stirling, for on visiting East and West Churches, where there is a ring of four bells, all from Whitechapel, he was charged a fee of 2d. He sends us the ticket which he received in exchange for his coppers, and it is printed 'Royal Burgh of Stirling. Tower of West Church. Admission 2d.' Oh, those Scotsmen!

Mr. Sykes says that he left the current copy of the 'Ringing World,' the first one ever seen, in the tower.

We feel we must also print his postscript: 'Congrats. to Rupert. What a lot he has missed!'

Nothing too large and nothing too small can be put, in the way of a ringing job, before Mr. James George. That man who, approaching his 70th year, delights in as many hours on a heavy tenor as the ringers of the other bells will oblige him with, has just rung to a peal the smallest bell hung for ringing—the treble at Lye, where the tenor is only 3½ cwt. The treble is not much more than a good-sized tea cup.

The first commemoration dinner organised by the Yorkshire Association is to take place at Leeds on Sept. 23rd. Those who intend to be present should write for tickets without delay to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. P. J. Johnson, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

It is interesting to note that another peal has been rung at New College, Oxford, where the present ring of ten was completed 212 years ago.

Michael Darbie recast the old five bells into a peal of eight in 1655, and Abraham Rudhall made them into ten in 1712. In 1703 he had recast the 4th upon which the inscription, 'Manners makes man,' had been placed.

Whether there was special need to impress that proverb upon the residents of Oxford at that period we do not know, but the inscription, 'Manners maketh man,' was placed upon each of the two new trebles in 1712, and again on the ninth, when it was recast in 1723.

In 1815, the greatest number of changes ever rung in the University of Oxford was rung at New College, a 10,008 of Grand sire Caters.

Records of some of the ringing at New College in early days found their way into the diaries of Heame, the Oxford worthy. Of one peal, a 6,876 of 'Cator changes,' he wrote that he had heard from good judges that 'take it altogether 'twas a glorious performance. For tho' there were two very great blunders and some other bad ringing, yet considering the length of the peal, it was admirable ringing, such as can hardly be matched, unless it be by the Londoners, it being a thing as it were next to impossible to go through such a long tedious work without faults.'

Then he records the names of the ringers and their occupations: 1, Heame, the Taylor; 2, Mr. Vickers, second Butler of New College; 3, Mr. George, the Taylor; 4, Mr. Guy Terry, Pot-ash maker in St. Clements; 5, Mr. Yates, second Cook of Magdalen College; 6, Mr. John Broughton, Barber; 7, Mr. Richard Smith, Glover; 8, Mr. Barnes, second Cook of Christ Church; 9, Mr. Arthur Lloyd, of Holywell, Carpenter and Bell Hanger; 10, Mr. Nicholas Bonwell, who shews Great Tom.

We also read that 'the ringers were much caressed when they had done, and were handsomely treated or entertained at New College.' We are not told whether last week's peal band were much caressed and feasted, when they finished their peal of Treble Ten.

On September 10th, 1741, the Crowfield Society, in which Theodore Ecclestone was the moving spirit, rang at Coddenhurst, Suffolk, 'a compleat peal of Five thousand and forty of Gathrine's Triples, being the first true peal that ever was prickled with two Doubles only.' This was, of course, Garthorn's peal of Grand sire Triples.

Theodore Ecclestone, who rang the treble in the peal, had an estate at Crowfield, and gave the bells at Coddenhurst and Stonham Aspill.

## PROTECTION OF ANCIENT TOWERS. THE THREATENED CITY CHURCHES.

A very interesting volume to antiquarians is the 45th annual report of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, which has just been issued. The work done by the society since its foundation in 1877 has been in many directions extremely valuable, although, in the light of modern knowledge, those interested in bells and bell hanging have had cause to differ from the views expounded by the society in some specific cases.

As we have already mentioned in connection with the proceedings of the Central Council, there is now the prospect of an agreement being reached between the society and the Towers and Belfries Committee. The report drawn up by the committees of the two organisations is not yet ready for publication, as it is waiting confirmation by the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings. The Council have accepted the proceedings of their committee, and in the new report of the society it is recorded that 'During the past year the society has been in conference with the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers on the vexed question of bell hanging in old towers.'

Among the notes on many of the cases dealt with during the year the following extracts will be of interest to ringers and those connected with bell restoration.

### BALSHAM CHURCH TOWER, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

'This is a case,' says the report, 'which shows the usefulness of the society to those in charge of Parish Churches who are in difficulties as to what should be done for their preservation. Balsham church tower, with its grey walls and mellow stone buttresses and windows, is a very fine piece of thirteenth century work. It is, however, built on clay, and the old builders omitted to widen out the bottoms of the walls sufficiently to distribute the great weight of the tower safely over this none too secure foundation. Soon after the tower was finished, as it would seem, settlements took place which caused the walls to crack and the western arch between the tower and nave to spread.

'Some three hundred years later, Elizabethan masons not only strengthened the walls, but also added massive stone buttresses, eight feet wide and four feet thick, and this work seems to have more or less effectually stopped any further settlement.

'During last summer, however, the custodians of the church thought there were again signs of movement in the tower; and, becoming concerned for its safety, they came to the society for advice.

'After a careful survey, the society gave the Rector and churchwardens a report on the tower's condition, with detailed recommendations as to the works required for its security. This report stated that the recent mischief did not arise from any settlement of the foundations, but as a matter of fact had had its origin in the undue stresses imposed on the ancient walls by the ringing of the church bells. Of these bells there are six which, excepting one by Tonne—a well-known founder of Henry the Eighth's time—were probably cast in the first twenty years of the seventeenth century. They are hung in a high bell cage, of the same age as themselves, the oak timbers of which are for the most part still quite sound. The joints of the timbers have, however, worked loose, with the result that, when the bells are rung, the cage sways. Moreover, the stout beams supporting the cage transmit the momentum of the swung bells directly to the ancient walls, and concentrate the stresses thereon at the points where the beam ends rest, so that at these places there is a definite tendency for the masonry to become disrupted.

'The remedies recommended are to strengthen the bell cage by strong iron bolts, and to distribute the stresses from the beam ends over the walling by constructing in the thickness of the masonry immediately below the beams continuous bonding courses extending round the inside of the tower. Other works include the repair of cracks in the walls; the recovering of the tower roof with cast lead, and the reconstruction of the gutters behind the parapets in asphalt on a bed of concrete to be laid on the wall tops.

'The Rector and churchwardens have been most appreciative of the society's help; and the necessary work is going to be done.'

### LONDON'S CITY CHURCHES.

The report contains some strong comments upon the suggested removal of churches in the City of London, and quotes the resolution passed by the National Assembly on February 7th, on the motion of the Bishop of London, directing the setting up of a committee 'to prepare a measure making provision for the union of benefices, and, if the committee thinks fit, for the removal of churches situate within the Metropolitan Police District and the disposal of their sites.'

The committee of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings point out, in the report, that while the motion undoubtedly embodies a formula which would enable many excellent and much-needed reforms in Church administration to be given effect to, quite unmistakably the terms of reference would enable the special committee so to cast the proposed measure, presumably a Bill to be put before Parliament, that the destruction, not only of City churches, but also of other ancient churches within the Metropoli-

tan Police District, extending from Hatfield to Ewell and Epping to Watford, which might be regarded as having outlived their usefulness to the Church, could be determined upon and put into execution at the sole discretion of the Church Authorities, without let or hindrance.

'It is, therefore, of singular importance,' adds the society's report, 'that all who have regard to the preservation of these national historic buildings should be thoroughly well advised of what is afoot. Unopposed measures such as this have a way of finding themselves on the Statute Book before the general public is even aware that powers are being sought. In this instance the importance of watchfulness and of timely opposition to any measure which would give to the Church power in its absolute discretion to demolish any of the ancient buildings in its care, are of paramount necessity because of the attitude of the Bishop of London, and of his advisers towards them.'

Commenting on the Bishop's attitude, the report says: 'Although the Bishop of London sees, of course, clearly enough that by selling the sites of the City Churches a very large sum of money could be got with which to extend the Church's activities, it is little short of amazing that he should apparently have no perception of the enormous loss which the destruction of its ancient historic churches would entail. It follows, therefore, that he can, up to now, have no conception of the blighting cloud of obloquy which, when the loss was realised, would most inevitably descend upon those who had advocated or lent themselves to so dubious a means of raising money. Nor can he have any prevision of the great damage to the Church's prestige which would presently follow, together with the consequent disaster to the Church's aims and aspirations.' The report adds: 'That the Bishop can have but scant sense of the true value of the historic monuments of the Church has recently been clearly displayed by his action in the case of his own palace at Fulham. There, in the last few months, in the face of protests from this society, he has filled in the well known moat—the last which remained in London—a moat which, he it noted, had been kept in order by each link in the long chain of his predecessors in the See extending from the seventh century. What confidence, then, can be reposed in the Bishop or in his advisers as conservators of our priceless national relics? It is significant that the Diocese of London is one of very few which still have no Advisory Committee.'

This question of the City Churches is one of special interest to ringers, for several of those that it was originally proposed to abolish contain historic rings of bells. It was the subject of a resolution at the Central Council meeting at Northampton in 1920, when the Council resolved, 'That an appeal be sent to the Bishop of London's committee, urging the desirability of preserving all towers in the City of London in which there are notable rings of bells.' Several members urged the inclusion of a reference to the churches as well as the towers, but it was felt that to do so would be going outside the province of the Council, however strongly the members individually felt on the matter.

At the meeting in the following year it was reported that the resolution was forwarded as directed by the Council but that all that could be ascertained was that the Bishop of London's committee had gone out of existence.

The report of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings shows that the danger of losing the towers may soon appear again, and in this matter the Council may join their forces with the society in protesting against the destruction.

## SPADE WORK.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I venture to thank you for your excellent article on ringing tours. I can fully testify to the good they do to the cause of change ringing, and the pleasure they give not only to those who take part in them, but to the ringers who live in the localities where they are arranged. They are a means of illustrating change ringing in its best form and in its various methods, and they also afford an opportunity of bringing together ringers who otherwise would never meet each other. But there is one thing which they fail to do, and that is render any assistance in what we may term the spade work of change ringing, i.e., teaching bands or individuals in the preliminary stages of the art. No one expects that those who take part in these tours can find time to do this, but my object in writing is to suggest that individual ringers might render valuable help in this way, and I rejoice to read in your paper that there are some who are willing to do so. Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Barker have lately been spending their holiday in Devon, and instead of ringing peals have visited various towers, not only in Exeter, but in the countryside around, ringing touches, and helping bands to get through their first six-score of Grandsire Doubles, and our thanks are due to them for so doing. Mr. A. W. Brighton has for many years rendered valued assistance to a great many bands in Devon and Cornwall in this way, and I am confident if other ringers who come West will do the same the cause of change ringing will be greatly forwarded. If they will write to me or to the Rev. E. Powell, Holbeton Vicarage, Plymouth, arrangements can be made for carrying out this object.—Yours faithfully,

Kelly House, Lifton, Devon.

MAITLAND KELLY.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921





## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**PULHAM, NORFOLK.**—At St. Mary-the-Virgin, on Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for morning service, 1,024 Oxford Treble Bob: E. Whiting (conductor) 1, O. T. B. Brice 2, O. Baker 3, H. H. Piercy 4, G. Gower 5, A. Smith 6, R. Riches 7, T. Adcock 8.

**REDENHALL, NORFOLK.**—At the Church of St. Mary, on Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for evening service, 1,088 Oxford Treble Bob: F. R. Borrett (conductor) 1, C. Cutting 2, H. H. Piercy 3, E. Whiting 4, G. Gower 5, A. Smith 6, R. Riches 7, P. Adcock 8.

**BURTON LATIMER.**—On Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for evening service, in 45 mins., a quarter-peal of Double Norwich (1,280 changes): J. Pettit 1, H. J. Balcombe 2, J. Laddington 3, H. Laddington 4, J. R. Mason 5, B. J. Laddington 6, M. Norton (first quarter-peal in the method) 7, G. Lines (conductor) 8. Composed by J. George.

**BUCKLEY, FLINTS.**—At St. Matthew's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 44 mins.: J. Hayes 1, A. H. Jones 2, P. Roberts 3, J. Donnelly 4, S. Birk 5, J. T. Hopwood 6, E. Mersham (conductor) 7, W. Bellis 8. The ringer of 4th bells from St. James' Church, West Derby, Liverpool.

**HAYES, KENT.**—On Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: H. Reader 1, J. Hack (conductor) 2, O. Gibbey 3, G. Harwood 4, H. Brown 5, F. Keech 6.

**CIRENCESTER, GLOS.**—On Sunday, Sept. 3rd, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, for morning service, in 43 mins., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), Brooks' variation of Thurstans': F. J. Lewis (conductor) 1, H. Lewis 2, W. C. Cuss 3, W. G. Cook 4, H. C. Bond 5, S. R. Hicks 6, J. J. Jefferies (Worcester) 7, J. Hayward 8.

**FRITTENDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for morning service, 840 Grandsire Doubles, with 7, 6, 8 covering: Mrs. Baker 1, H. Baker 2, H. Want 3, B. Baker 4, R. Burgess (conductor) 5, J. Rofe 6, C. Tribe 7, C. Baker 8.

**FARNHAM, SURREY.**—At St. Andrew's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 47 mins.: Miss W. King 1, H. Prior 2, E. J. Le Clercq 3, R. J. Hasted 4, G. Upshall 5, T. Upshall 6, R. Hasted (conductor) 7, E. J. King 8. All the ringers belong to the local band.

**OXFORD.**—On Sunday, Sept. 3rd for the harvest festival, at the Church of St. Ebbe, 720 each of Double Oxford Bob, College Single, Oxford Single Bob, and Plain Bob: F. A. H. Wilkins 1, W. H. B. Wilkins (conductor) 2, H. Tolley 3, W. Harris 4, C. Coles 5, F. Clinkard. Longest length by ringer of the treble, and first 720 of Double Oxford by the ringer of the third. Rung after meeting short for a Surprise peal.

**BOLSOVER.**—On Sunday, August 27th, at the Church of St. Mary and St. Lawrence, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Superlative Surprise (1,280 changes): H. Robins 1, W. Lambert 2, C. Mason 3, E. Robins 4, W. Jacques 5, J. Moss 6, J. Flint 7, T. Riley 8. Rung as a farewell tribute to the Rev. J. B. Merrifield, who is taking up his duties of senior curate at Grimsby Parish Church.

**CHESTER-LE-STREET.**—On Sunday, August 27th, for evening service, a 720 Bob Minor: L. Donnison (first 720) 1, Ada Donnison 2, F. Pattison 3, F. Sheraton 4, G. Siddel 5, G. Ward (conductor) 6.

**HORSHAM.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, August 27th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: G. Penfold 1, R. Dale 2, G. Whitehead 3, L. Paice 4, S. Paice 5, H. Mance 6, W. Short (conductor) 7, W. Blackman 8.

**PORTSEA, HANTS.**—On August 27th, for evensong, at St. Mary's, 504 Stedman Triples: J. J. Symons 1, C. Groves 2, W. Tate 3, T. K. Taylor 4, J. D. Harris 5, J. W. Parker (Sunderland), conductor, 6, F. W. Rogers 7, E. J. Harding, senn., 8.—Also touches of Double Norwich for both services. During the month visitors to the church also included Messrs. A. Holmes (Bourne, Lincs), G. R. Newton (Liverpool), F. Boreham (Hugghenden) and F. S. Bayley.

**EAST CROMPTON, LANCS.**—For evening service, on Sunday, August 27th, at St. James' Church, 720 Kent and Oxford Treble Bob (spliced): J. Whybrow 1, S. Heywood 2, W. Oates 3, G. Wild 4, J. R. Buckley 5, J. Butterworth (conductor) 6.

**THORNE, YORKS.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, August 27th, for morning service, 360 Bob Minor: O. Darley 1, A. Woods 2, W. Sleight 3, A. Darley 4, C. H. Thorley (conductor) 5, C. Thorley, junr., 6, W. Hobson 7 (covering).—For evening service, 720 Bob Minor: O. Darley 1, A. Woods 2, A. Darley 3, W. Sleight 4, C. H. Thorley (conductor) 5, W. Hobson 6, C. Thorley, junr., 8 (covering).

**DOVER, KENT.**—St. Mary's Society.—On Sunday, August 27th, for evening service, at St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes (Haley's Variation), in 48 mins.: C. R. Walker 1, F. W. Elliott 2, H. J. Saunders 3, R. H. Stevens 4, H. Whitehead 5, C. R. Millway 6, C. Turner (conductor) 7, Capt. F. A. Yorke, M.C. R.G.A., 8.

**HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, August 27th, for evensong, 1,280 Double Norwich: V. Tipton 1, W. Sparrow 2, H. Smale 3, S. Sparrow 4, G. Dent (conductor) 5, S. Clark 6, J. Cordell 7, W. Wheeler 8. The ringers of 2 and 4 belong to Stowmarket.

**OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.**—On Sunday, August 27th, for morning service, 266 Grandsire Triples, twice: F. Middleton, E. Gosling, R. Franklin, D. Tindall, F. Tindall, A. Cross, J. Gutteridge, F. Gutteridge, W. Welling (conductor) taking part.—For evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples: \*F. Middleton 1, \*E. Gosling 2, \*R. Franklin 3, \*F. Tindall 4, Miss N. Shorter 5, A. Cross 6, W. Welling (conductor) 7, J. Gutteridge 8. Also 266 and 168 by same band. \* Longest touch.

**BARNES.**—At St. Mary's Church, on August 27th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 44 mins., as a compliment to M. Jacobs, on the 25th anniversary of his wedding day; also to W. Stevens on his 33rd anniversary: J. Willmott 1, H. Barrett 2, W. Stevens 3, M. Jacobs 4, H. Cook 5, R. Mackrill 6, C. Hunt (conductor) 7, W. Phillips 8.

**CROSTHWAITHE, KESWICK.**—On Sunday, August 6th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: T. Wilson 1, Miss L. Telford 2, Miss C. Griedale 3, W. Mitchell (Bury) 4, T. Hartley 5, T. Hogarth 6, F. Griedale 7 (covering).—On Sunday, August 27th, for evening service, with bells half-muffled, for the unveiling of war memorial tablet, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: T. Wilson 1, Mrs. T. Wilson 2, Miss L. Telford 3, F. Hogarth 4, T. Hartley 5, T. Hogarth 6, S. Usher 7 (covering). Both conducted by T. Hogarth.

**LLANDUDNO.**—On Sunday, July 30th for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: T. Barrow 1, S. Brown 2, T. Lodge 3, H. Mellward 4, A. E. Richards 5, A. Fairlie 6, A. Roberts 7, T. Loowe 8. The ringers of the 4th, 5th and 7th were visitors to the tower.

## USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

503 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.		1,296 STEDMAN TRIPLES.					
762453	S. 2	2314567	1	2	3	4	5 6
347562	1						
623754	2	1532467	—	—	—	—	—
356247	3	7453261	—	—	—	—	—
253764	5	1257346	S	—	—	—	—
532764	4						
645273	2	1,296 STEDMAN TRIPLES.					
456273	4	2314567	1	2	3	4	5 6
324756	1						
723645	5						
457362	2	1635427	—	—	—	—	—
764523	3	7231546	—	S	—	—	—
357264	1	3526174	—	—	—	—	—
Round at 1. Queen's and		Each to be eleven times repeated					
Tittums at hand.		and contains 108 4-6's, 6-7's and					
		7-4's.					

AUTHOR UNKNOWN.

A. J. PITMAN.

## THE CALL OF THE BELLS.

The bells hang silent in the tower,  
The ropes beneath lack skill and power,  
And yet the bells are calling.  
No bells are heard from anywhere,  
Silence and peace breathes o'er the hour.  
And yet the bells are calling.

The ringer's heart receives their call,  
Altho' his duty should forestall  
The bell, he hears a-calling.  
He cares not for the world and all  
Those things that other men extol,—  
He hears the bells a-calling.

He hastens to the old grey tower,  
And brings his fellow ringers there.  
To set the bells a-calling.  
To call their neighbours there to share  
In praise and thankfulness and prayer,  
They set the bells a-calling.

They seek the ropes with eager hand  
And with uplifted hearts they stand  
To set the bells a-calling.  
Their call is heard o'en all the land,  
As it e'er was in old England:—  
Her sweet church bells a-calling.

The ringers feel a happy thrill,  
When bells echo from hill to hill  
The bells that are a-calling;  
For in their hearts there lingers still  
The thought that now they do God's Will  
To set the bells a-calling.

M. M. W.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—Recently, for practice, at the Church of Our Lady and English Martyrs, touches of Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, and two plain courses of Cambridge Surprise Major. This is the first time Cambridge Major has been rung by entirely Cambridgeshire men.

## WHO'S 'J.F.'?

To the Editor.

In your current issue we had a most delightful pen picture of 'A Day in the Midlands.' By all accounts the day was 'FINE.' Still, there is a shadow of doubt, when one reads of the party sheltering under Strelley Broad Oak. But that's not the question, to the point 'who's J.F.'?

We begin to conjecture. Let us start from the fountain head, 'i.e., Bolsover.' Let us track down, if possible, this mysterious individual, who has been dubbed with these abbreviations, 'J.F.'

Clutching my antiquated copy of Kelly, I vigorously turn up Bolsover, only to find a trinity of cognomens which begin with the consonant 'F.' These appellations are respectively FOGG, FURNISS and FROST.

Fog, 'Fogg'! Why study that name? There's no fog mixed up with the ringers at Bolsover, so that clears away the FOGG. Next we've 'FURNISS.' Still we are no nearer, although to take the Bolsover men on ringing matters they're 'Hot' enough, and that's that! Then we in our conjectures arrive at the name of 'FROST.' That puts the 'Tin Hat on Kelly,' he was certainly no Frost to organise a day's outing, so picturesquely described.

The writer who has set up guessing seems to have an idea that this 'J. F.' is an expert. Can we obtain a clue from that source? No, I see nothing in that, only that 'J. F.' is expert in judging good bells from bad 'uns! for proof, see the towers he selected for a day's outing, which was unquestionably a very 'Musical Rendezvous!' But back to the conjecturing business. Having found nothing in Kelly to elucidate these evasive yet familiar initials, in my determination to trace him I turned still further back to pre-historic records. No, not the slightest trace is to be found in the Bronze Age. What shall I do now? Methinks as a final effort I'll try the preceding, or Neolithic period. At last! a most important clue turns up, and I found not the slightest difficulty in connecting the 'J' to 'JOHANNIS,' that's John. Then I piece the 'F' to 'FOSSILIS,' that's Fossil. By placing the two together we get 'John Fossil.' No, that cannot be the name, because an old Fossil could not be so genial a gentleman as 'J. F.' is. No, that's not him! But wait, hush! I'm inspired with still another 'striking' name. Let's consider, shall us? Ah! why should I be so stupid? I've got him fixed now, sure enough. It's—It's old 'DOMINE JOHANNES PYRITES TEMPLUM CAMPANI PULSATOR DE BOLSOVER,' so that has settled that, and that! Another guess, please.

Now let me have a consoling word with the antiquarian, whom 'that SAXEUS-hearted Sir John' would not permit to inspect the Medieval BELLE at Strelley CHURCHE.

Friend, you have my sympathy, but you want to go 'backward,' they want to go 'FORWARD.' Never mind, I'll look her up for yer next time I'm in the neighbourhood of Strelley. Will that console yer? I'll tell you whether her Dainty mouth is out of all proportion with her height, and whether her waist is proportionate and cylindrical; whether she's got a hemispherical crown, and a graceful curve of the lip. So there, DOMINE JOHANNES, that's that, without any string attached!

Apart from this little act of cruelty, I really don't think Sir John has got such a SLICEUS heart after all! or why should he have stopped the bus to give a wandering parson a lift? or go so far out of his way to pick up 'Poor old Betty's son'? He also showed his kindness when he could not 'GO BY' a perambulating bipe he found roaming about in a wood to the east, about 9 a.m.

Now let's turn to the place where they found GEORGE II. The writer says there's 'a fine peal, tenor 20 cwt.' That's news! Have they got another new peal? I know they soon wear 'em out there; it's a fact, they had two new peals of eight in less than a decade. No, don't believe it, that glorious tenor is only 17 cwt., and she, along with her harmonious sisters, have such a happy knack of deceiving even good judges! It's the volume of concord they breathe out that does the trick. They are not afraid to speak out for themselves, are they, eh?

Then the writer goes on to say 'The belfry and peal leave nothing to be desired.' Now, 'that's another unsolicited.' Thanks! but, I'm not having that! I say most emphatically they want another pair of trebles, to make 'em TEN! When that becomes manifest, I have a kind of sneaking idea that a further pleasure will be piled upon that which already exists. And that's that! Have another day in the Midlands, but of your charity leave the string at home; give the archaeologist a free hand to revel amid the dirt and grime of past centuries; give him a chance to collate some information so that he may write 'his book.' No doubt he would have found a 'Superlative Surprise' in the old bell at Strelley, which I believe is reputed to be coeval with the fabric. However, in spite of the weather, have another day and 'GO FORWARD' to Colston Bassett, but be cautious of the road, my hearties. I've known the bus wheel come off.

IRENEUS PISTOR.

## NOTICES.

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on Sept. 12th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames St., on Sept. 14th and 28th; \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Sept. 19th; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on Sept. 21st; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Roystone on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells available at 2 p.m.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Woodchurch on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at Barman's Bakery at 5 o'clock.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Devizes Branch.**—The next Monthly meeting will be held at Netheravon on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A General meeting of the Association will be held at Northowram on Saturday, September 9th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. onward. Tea will be provided in the Church Schools at 5 p.m., for which a charge of 1/6 each will be made. For further details see circulars.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.**—A meeting will be held at St. Francis, Liverpool, on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells ready at 4.30. Meeting 6.30.—Walter Hughes, Branch Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.**—A District meeting will be held at Aldershot on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells (8) available at 3. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting.—E. Raddon, Hon. Sec., Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at St. John's Church, Darlington, on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 9th. The bells at St. John's (8), St. Cuthbert (8) and Holy Trinity (6) are available for ringing during the afternoon. A short service will be held in St. John's Church, at 4.15 p.m., by the Vicar, the Rev. A. S. Thompson, and it is hoped that ringers and friends will attend this service. Tea will be provided at Hunter's Dining Rooms, Prebend Row, at 5 p.m. Members 1/-, non-members 1/6.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High St., North Ormesby, Middlesbrough,

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Brookfield Church, Gorton, on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells ready at 4 o'clock. Meeting, 7.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Summer Outing, Saturday, Sept. 9th, Waltham Abbey. Bells available, 3.30, 5 and 7.9 p.m. Tea at 5.15 p.m. Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, Sept. 4th and 18th; Bishopsgate, Sept. 25th; Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m. Quarterly general meeting, October 2nd, 6.30 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—A quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Emberton, on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Service, 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided.—Walter Sear, Secretary, 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Merthyr, on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells (8). Service at 4.45. Tea and business meeting to follow.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Balderstone, on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6 o'clock.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 31, Samuel Street, Middleton.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—A quarterly meeting of the North-eastern Division of the Essex Association will be held at Goldhanger, on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Service in Parish Church at 4.30, followed by tea, provided through the kindness of the Rev. F. T. Gardner.—R. W. Stannard, 12, Ireton Road, Colchester.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bridgnorth Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Quatt, Bridgnorth, on Saturday, September 9th. Ringing at 3 o'clock. Tea and meeting at 5 o'clock. Bus will leave Bridgnorth at 2 o'clock.—W. Hayward, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, North Gate, Bridgnorth.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The September meeting of the Western Division will be held in conjunction with the General meeting at Northowram on Saturday, Sept. 9th. For particulars see advt. for General meeting.—F. Hopwood, Dist. Sec., 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke, Bradford.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—A mid-week meeting will be held at Christ Church, Ealing, on Wednesday evening, Sept. 13th. Ringing from 6.45. And the next Saturday meeting will be held at Norwood Green on the 23rd inst.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 16th, at St. Mary's, Woolwich. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Service, 4.45 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. at 1s. Will members and friends please notify by the 12th? Business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Hawley, on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Business: election of Secretary. Tea provided for all who inform me by Tuesday, Sept. 12th.—Hilda F. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—Quarterly meeting at Barcombe, near Lewes, Saturday, Sept. 16th. Tower open, 2.30. Service, 4.30. Tea (by kind invitation), 5. Business meeting to follow. Those intending to be present should notify me not later than Tuesday, Sept. 12th.—A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—The Annual meeting of the above will be held at Tenterden on Saturday, Sept. 16th, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. J. A. Babington), who also sends a cordial invitation to the members to take tea with him. Ringing from 3 till 4.30, at which time a special service will be held in the church. Tea at 5 o'clock to be followed by general business meeting for the election of officers, etc. Will members intending to be present kindly notify me not later than Wednesday, Sept. 13th?—C. Tribe, Hon. Dist. Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the Western District will be held at Newburn Church on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Bells available from 3 o'clock.—H. Tyson, 23, New Houses, Harperley Road, Tanfield Lea, Tantobie.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Alvechurch on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Bells available early. Service in church at 4.30. Business meeting to follow. Election of officers takes place at this meeting.—A. Davis, 29, Hampton St., Netherton, Dudley.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Westhoughton on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The next Monthly meeting of the Guild will be held at Whitnash on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A Monthly meeting of this branch will be held at Barwell, on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Will members owing subscriptions for 1922 kindly let me have same at earliest convenience?—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Branch.—A Combined Practice will be held at Sonning on Saturday, Sept. 16th, from 6 till 9 p.m.—Joseph White.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Exeter Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Honiton Clyst, on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting in the Institute 5 p.m., 1/- each. Bells (8) available 2 p.m. All ringers welcome.—J. C. Oke, Assistant Hon. Sec., 35, St. David's Hill, Exeter.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Old Warden, on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.—A good attendance is requested.—C. G. Ball, District Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

**HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Kings Langley, on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—F. J. Reeve, Hon. District Sec., Tring.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The September meeting of the above will be held on Saturday, the



23rd, at St. Mark's Church, Bath. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.15, followed by tea at 5 o'clock.—Edith Smith, 23, Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The First Annual Commemoration Dinner, to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Association, will be held at the Griffin Hotel, Boar Lane, Leeds, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, at 6 p.m. Tickets 5s. 6d. each can be obtained from P. J. Johnson, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds, and application for same should be made not later than first post Monday, Sept. 18th.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Thurcaston and Anstey, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea and meeting at Anstey. All requiring tea inform me by Sept. 20th.—H. E. Norman, 52, Ivy Road, Leicester.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Uttoxeter on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Please notify me on or before Sept. 18th how many intend to be present from your tower.—E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and A. Vaughan, Hon. Secs.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Burnham, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—Will members please note that the next meeting will be held at All Hallows', Tottenham, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Full particulars next week.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The next quarterly meeting will be on Saturday, Sept. 30th, at Wigston. The bells (two rings of 8) will be available at 3 o'clock. Committee meet at 4.30. Tea will be at 5.30, followed by general meeting, in the Church School, Wigston Magna. Will those requiring tea, which will be provided at a moderate charge, kindly advise Mr. W. H. Humberstone, 56, Burgess Street, Wigston Magna, Leicester, not later than Thursday, the 28th?—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Heckfield on Saturday, Sept. 30th (visiting Sherfield en route). Tower open after tea. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30. Visit Rotherwich at about 6.30. Sixpence per head will be allowed towards the cost of tea to all members informing me not later than Saturday, Sept. 23rd.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dist. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

**GREASLEY.**—Preliminary Notice.—The new peal at St. Mary's, Greasley, will be available for ringing on Saturday, September 30th, from 2.30 to 9 p.m. Tea at 4.30. Will those who require tea please notify J. E. Hobbs, Watnall, Notts, by Sept. 28th? All ringers are cordially invited.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Isham, near Kettering, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. All desiring tea please notify Miss Hepburn, The Pines, Isham.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 17, Wellington, Road, Enfield.

**CLAVIS for Sale,** any offers?—E. W. Abbott, Avingham, Louth, Lincs.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

**CHANGE RINGER** requires Situation. Any position of trust. Excellent references. Available at once, London or suburbs preferred. Small pension from H.M. Household.—H. Dyas, 185, East Street Buildings, Baker Street, W.1.

#### NEW BELLS AT GREASLEY, NOTTS.

The five bells at St. Mary's, Greasley, Nottinghamshire, are being rehung and the first three recast, and three new trebles added, making a peal of eight. The work is being done by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough. The peal is to be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Southwell on Wednesday, September 27th inst., at 7.30 p.m., and a ringing meeting will be held on September 30th.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

**GREAT REDUCTIONS.**

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,  
COVENTRY.**

#### PUBLICATIONS.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/8 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TEEBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Gaversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ...	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

**JOHN PRITCHARD,**

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½ in. 2¾ in. 3¼ in. 4 in. 4½ in. 5 in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 78/- 98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING  
**WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 600. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### A NEW THEORY.

The discussion of method construction and extension must inevitably crop up from time to time, otherwise we should have no progress in that branch of the art. It is an advanced phase in the theoretical side of ringing, and not every ringer is able to follow the involved arguments and the diversified views which are expressed. Nevertheless it is essential that those who are in a position to examine these complicated subjects should have the opportunity of putting forward their opinions, and that others should be able to criticise them. Eventually, by this means, perhaps, the Exercise will be put into possession of definite formulæ for method construction and extension, just as the researches of the past have produced certain definite lines upon which peal composers must work if the wish to grapple successfully with their task, and not grope blindly about for something which may or may not eventually turn out to be a true five thousand.

In a letter, dealing with method extension, which appears in another column, the Rev. E. S. Powell introduces a question which we do not think has ever before been dealt with in print and that is the application of the 'Q-set' in connection with method construction. This entirely new departure opens up all sorts of possibilities, and we believe it is Mr. Powell's opinion that if it can be established that methods are built upon Q-sets, as compositions are, the eventual consequences will be incalculable. Just as peal composition was systematised by Mr. W. H. Thompson's researches so will method construction be systematised. All experimental search for extensions on empirical lines will become out of date, the investigation being turned to an examination of the Q-sets. Indeed, Mr. Powell's view—and it is entitled to the utmost respect—is that all problems of method construction would be revolutionised by acceptance of the theory.

The proof of the existence of Q-sets has not yet been given, but the best argument for accepting them, as at least affording a useful working hypothesis, lies in the fact that they do actually fit in with what little is known of method construction. For example, in Mr. Powell's opinion, the Q-set theory affords a sound logical argument why the numerous productions last year, claiming to be London Royal, should not be entitled to that name. That the rivals eliminated one another was obvious, but no one has been able to explain how or why. The Q-set does so automatically. Many of those who experiment in method construction will, doubtless, disagree with Mr. Powell's contentions; but the Q-set has come upon the scene, and will deserve very close investigation before it is turned down. It opens up an avenue of really important research, to which the best minds of the Exercise should devote themselves.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

**Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.**

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

**JOHN NICOLL,**

**Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.**

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway),

**Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 6097 CHANGES;**

Tenor 36 cwt. in C.

ERNEST T. ALLAWAY ... .. 7	WALTER FARLEY... .. 7
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... .. 2	ALBERT WALKER... .. 8
EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. 3	ERNEST MANSELL ... .. 9
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 10
A. PADDON SMITH ... .. 5	JOHN NEAL ... .. 11
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 6	JAMES E. GROVES... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

Edwin Barnett, sen., hails from Crayford, Kent, William H. Fussell from Slough, Walter Farley from Wells, Somerset. Further reference to this peal elsewhere.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30½ cwt.

PERCY HARRISON... .. 6	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 6
A. CONINGSBY-WRIGHT ... .. 2	HAROLD G. JENNEY ... .. 7
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 3	† ERNEST MORRIS... .. 8
SHIRLEY BURTON... .. 4	* GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 9
PRYCE TAYLOR ... .. 5	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... Tenor

Composed by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

\* First peal of Cambridge Royal. † First away from treble.

GREAT YARMOUTH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30 cwt. & qr. 12 lb.

* GEORGE W. HARRIS ... .. Treble	DENISON HAYWARD ... .. 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	HARRY WRIGHT ... .. 7
† GEORGE CLAYTON ... .. 3	BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON ... .. 8
ARTHUR H. WEBBER... .. 4	WILLIAM J. LEE ... .. 9
† EDWIN R. GOATE ... .. 5	JOHN G. W. HARWOOD ... Tenor

Composed by W. T. ELSON. Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Grandsire Caters.

BIRCHINGTON, KENT.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Sunday, Sept. 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE WATERLOO TOWER, QUEEN PARK,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS ... .. Treble	* JOHN SPARROW ... .. 6
ARTHUR N. HARDY ... .. 2	HAROLD P. BURTON ... .. 7
HENRY A. HOPKINS ... .. 3	CECIL J. MATTHEWS... .. 8
THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 4	FRANK SMITH ... .. 9
RICHARD BEVAN ... .. 5	JOHN W. CORNFORD ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by JOHN D. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. Mr. Hopkins had not rung a peal for 27 years, and it was a 70th birthday compliment to him.

**ALFRED BOWELL,  
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,  
IPSWICH.**

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.**  
**THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**

On Wednesday, Sept. 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ALBERT T. SCRIVENS... ..Treble	JOHN NEAL ... .. 6
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 2	WALTER FARLEY... .. 7
*EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... .. 3	STANLEY BRAGG ... .. 8
JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 4	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 9
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 5	JOHN A. BRAGG ... ..Tenor

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. Further reference to this peal elsewhere.

**CIRENCESTER, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Thursday, Sept. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

Tenor 29 cwt. in D.

FRANCIS W. BOND ... ..Treble	VICTOR R. WILLIAMS... .. 6
LOUIS A. WILSON ... .. 2	SIDNEY R. HICKS... .. 7
FRANCIS J. LEWIS ... .. 3	H. CHARLES BOND ... .. 8
WILLIAM C. CUSS ... .. 4	JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... .. 9
WILFRED G. COOK ... .. 5	JOHN HAYWARD ... ..Tenor

Composed by FRED G. MAY. Conducted by FRANCIS J. LEWIS.

The above peal and those at Watermoor and South Cerney were arranged for John J. Jefferies, of Worcester, who was on a visit to his native place.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

**LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, Aug. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
 AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPAILE,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 6½ cwt.

PRYCE TAYLOR ... ..Treble	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 5
WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 2	*HORACE M. DAY ... .. 6
JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 3	EDWARD READER ... .. 7
SHIRLEY BURTON... .. 4	HAROLD J. POOLE ... ..Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

\* First peal of Cambridge Major. Arranged for Horace M. Day, of Market Deeping, who was elected a member prior to starting.

TURVEY, BEDS.

**THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Wednesday, Aug. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

WILLIAM COCKINGS ... ..Treble	B. FISHER ... .. 5
H. GAYTON ... .. 2	F. J. MYNARD ... .. 6
H. STAPLETON ... .. 3	C. W. CLARKE ... .. 7
MISS E. STEELE ... .. 4	*C. WADSWORTH ... ..Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

\* First peal. This peal was rung in honour of the marriage of the Rev. Guy Beech, of Turvey, to Miss Upton, of Petworth, Sussex.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

On Monday, Sept. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*BERT H. POUNTNEY... ..Treble	BERT HORTON ... .. 5
EDWARD HORTIN ... .. 2	JOHN T. DAVIES ... .. 6
ISAAC EVANS ... .. 3	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... .. 7
ABRAHAM GREENFIELD ... .. 4	WILLIAM E. WATHEN... ..Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER WALLATER.

\* First peal and first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. I. Evans, an energetic church worker and member of the local band. The ringer of the treble is 15 years of age, and was congratulated by the rest of the band on the creditable way in which he rang throughout the peal. He is believed to be the youngest member to ring a peal in this method for the Society.

**BISHOP'S CANNINGS, WILTS.**  
**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb.

*THOMAS MERRITT ... ..Treble	SYDNEY HILLIER... .. 5
MRS. W. T. WITTS ... .. 2	WILLIAM R. BAXTER ... .. 6
JESSE FRANCIS ... .. 3	SYDNEY J. WILTSHIRE ... .. 7
FRED LAMBETH ... .. 4	C. D. HEGINBOTHOM ... ..Tenor

Conducted by SYDNEY J. WILTSHIRE.

\* First peal of Triples.

MIDDLESBOROUGH.

**THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**

On Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN W. PASSMAN ... ..Treble	REV. A. SIMPSON ... .. 5
*SYDNEY TUNNELL ... .. 2	THOMAS LANCASTER ... .. 6
*WILLIAM A. BUCKON ... .. 3	*WILLIAM ELLERINGTON ... .. 7
†JOHN C. POLLARD ... .. 4	THOMAS METCALFE ... ..Tenor

Composed by F. PITSTOW. Conducted by THOMAS METCALFE.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method on an 'inside' bell.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

JOSEPH FOWLER... ..Treble	JESSE B. TYLER ... .. 5
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	FRANK MILLARD ... .. 6
SYDNEY WYATT... .. 3	PERCY MERSON ... .. 7
*ARTHUR HAYWARD ... .. 4	EDGAR BURGESS ... ..Tenor

Composed by JAMES HUNT.

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

\* First peal of Major.

CIRENCESTER, GLOUCESTERSHIRE

**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, WATERMOOR,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILFRED G. COOK ... ..Treble	SIDNEY R. HICKS... .. 5
WILLIAM C. CUSS ... .. 2	H. CHARLES BOND ... .. 6
WILFRED H. HAYWARD ... .. 3	JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... .. 7
FRANCIS J. LEWIS ... .. 4	JOHN HAYWARD ... ..Tenor

Conducted by JOHN J. JEFFERIES.

PENTRE, RHONDDA.

**THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Wednesday, Sept. 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

WILLIAM PAGE ... ..Treble	THOMAS HAMLIN... .. 5
GEORGE WINES ... .. 2	GEORGE CROSS ... .. 6
HARRY PAGE... .. 3	JAMES CROSS ... .. 7
TOM PAGE ... .. 4	HENRY CRABBE ... ..Tenor

Conducted by JAMES CROSS.

Rung in honour of the wedding of the Rev. J. D. Hughes, Vicar of the parish, which took place on the above date at St. John's Church, Cardiff.

**Bell Ropes**

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

➡ GREAT REDUCTIONS. ⚡

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**



TROWBRIDGE, WILTSHIRE.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Sept. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. James,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 24 cwt.

SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. Treble	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 5
THOMAS KING ... .. 2	WILLIAM R. BAXTER ... .. 6
JESSE FRANCIS ... .. 3	CHARLES F. ANDREWS ... .. 7
WILLIAM LAUD ... .. 4	SYDNEY FRANCIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES F. ANDREWS.

First peal as conductor.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Sept. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicolas,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 9 cwt. a qr. 26 lb.

PRICIVAL W. CAVE ... .. Treble	REGINALD BROWN ... .. 5
WILLIAM G. EDWARDS ... .. 2	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 6
*WALTER SCOTT, SEN. ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... .. 7
WALTER G. ROWE ... .. 4	OWEN H. GILES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Stedman, and bells from Newport, Isle of Wight.

BIRMINGHAM.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Friday, Sept. 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John, Deritend,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... .. Treble	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 5
JOHN NEAL ... .. 2	OLIVER G. NORMAN ... .. 6
JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 3	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 7
JAMES GEORGE ... .. 4	ALBERT WALKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by ALBERT E. NORMAN.

First peal of Major on the bells since rehanging. First peal in the method as conductor.

CHORLEY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(PRESTON AND BLACKBURN BRANCHES.)

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

BROOKS' VARIATION.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN ... .. Treble	† JOHN H. GARTSIDE ... .. 5
TOM STANCLIFFE ... .. 2	JOHN WATSON ... .. 6
FRED CHAMBERS ... .. 3	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. 7
FRED RIGBY ... .. 4	* WALTER BLACKLEDGE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal away from tenor. Rung as a farewell peal to the Rector of Chorley (the Rev. Canon Willoughby C. Allen), who is taking over similar duties at Soham Toney. The ringers of 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 6th and 7th hail from Blackburn, the rest are local men.

PERSHORE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the Abbey Church,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 30 cwt.

JOHN BAYLISS ... .. Treble	SYDNEY T. HOLT ... .. 5
JOSEPH D. JOHNSON ... .. 2	FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... .. 6
ROBERT A. FARDON ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 7
GEOFFERY J. HEMMING ... .. 4	JAMES HEMMING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH D. JOHNSON.

Specially arranged for Mr. Robert A. Fardon, of London, who was proposed as a member of the Association previous to starting. Grand-sire was rung after an attempt for Stedman had come to grief.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Thursday, Sept. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

CHARLES DRAPER ... .. Treble	JAMES F. CLARKE, JUN. ... .. 5
HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 2	ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... .. 6
DOUGLAS H. ARGYLE ... .. 3	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... .. 7
WALTER MALINS ... .. 4	JOHN W. CHANDLER ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MATTERSLEY. Conducted by WALTER MALINS.

SAWLEY, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Sept. 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A VARIATION OF CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 9½ cwt.

* EDWARD CARTER ... .. Treble	† THOMAS HUTCHINSON ... .. 5
† RICHARD A. HECKTON ... .. 2	JOSEPH BAILEY ... .. 6
ALBERT JOYCE ... .. 3	RICHARD DRAGE ... .. 7
† CHARLES GEARY ... .. 4	* FREDERICK J. GUY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH BAILEY.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. ‡ First peal in the method 'inside.'

PLYMPTON, DEVON.  
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Maurice,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

REV. EVERARD S. POWELL Treble	WILLIAM RUNDLE ... .. 5
* HAROLD ASHTON ... .. 2	WARREN S. HORN BROOK ... .. 6
REGINALD A. H. DOBSON ... .. 3	WILLIAM RICHARDS ... .. 7
HARRY BURNER ... .. 4	SYDNEY SYMONS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WARREN S. HORN BROOK.

\* First peal with a bob bell. First peal as conductor.

BREWOD, STAFFORD.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 22 cwt.

HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. Treble	* HERBERT WAKELAM ... .. 5
JOHN PERRY ... .. 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... .. 6
JOHN J. TAYLOR ... .. 3	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 7
EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... .. 4	† LOUIS SWIFT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

Rung on the occasion of the dedication festival. \* First peal of Stedman. † First peal. The band were hospitably entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Perry after the peal.

SILVERDALE, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Luke,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

EDWARD FERNYHOUGH ... .. Treble	THOMAS BIRCH ... .. 5
WILLIAM GRICE ... .. 2	ALBERT CRAWLEY ... .. 6
GEORGE BLOOR ... .. 3	CHARLES H. PAGE ... .. 7
ERNEST LONDON ... .. 4	* SAMUEL FERNYHOUGH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES H. PAGE.

This peal was rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to Police Inspector Nadin, who was a sidesman at St. Luke's Church and a member of the church council; also to Mr. J. Johnson, late secretary of the Stoke Archidiaconal Association. The treble, 5th and tenor are local ringers. \* First peal.

TODMORDEN.—At the Unitarian Church, on Wednesday evening, August 30th, 1,408 Kent Treble Bob Major, in 50 mins.: J. Richards 1, L. Holroyd 2, W. Horan (longest touch) 3, W. Rhodes 4, F. Fielden 5, J. Nash 6, W. Crabtree 7, H. Davenport (conductor) 8. Arranged for W. Rhodes, who hails from Birstall, Yorks.

## ERITH, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... Treble	CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT ... 5
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 2	EDGAR WIGHTMAN ... 6
HERBERT A. HOLDEN ... 3	HERBERT WOOD ... 7
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... 4	HERBERT ADDSLEY ... Tenor

Composed by E. BARNETT, SEN. Conducted by E. BARNETT, JUN.

This was the conductor's 210th peal.

## MARKET HARBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

PERCY HARRISON ... Treble	HAROLD J. POOLE ... 5
*WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... 6
GEORGE CLEAL ... 3	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... 7
SHIRLEY BURTON ... 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... Tenor

Composed by C. HATTBRSLEY. Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

\* First peal of Major 'inside,' age 14. First Surprise peal on the bells.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## MARTLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Sept. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob &amp; Grandsire. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM PAGE ... Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... 4
WILLIAM C. DOWDING ... 2	WILLIAM SHORT ... 5
SIDNEY T. HOLT ... 3	CHARLES CAMM ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

Arranged for W. C. Dowding to enable him to ring his first peal in seven methods.

## BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Sept. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

JOHN J. BEVAN ... Treble	JOHN CLARK ... 4
JOHN GWYNNE ... 2	JOHN G. JEFFERIES ... 5
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

Rung to oblige Mr. Jefferies, of Mangotsfield, who was visiting Bridstow, also as a birthday compliment to J. Gwynne.

## WOLLASTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM GIBBS ... Treble	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... 4
WILLIAM SHORT ... 2	WALTER J. BRETHERTON ... 5
JOHN BASS ... 3	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... Tenor

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

Arranged for Mr. R. G. Knowles.

MINEHEAD.—On Friday, Sept. 1st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: G. Atkins 1, W. R. Hoyle 2, J. Thomas (conductor) 3, J. Pugsley 4, F. Dale 5, S. Mason 6, J. T. Dyke 7, W. Male 8.

## SOUTH CERNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Sept. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.

WILFRED G. COOK ... Treble	H. CHARLES BOND ... 4
FRANCIS J. LEWIS ... 2	SIDNEY R. HICKS ... 5
WILLIAM C. CUSS ... 3	JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS J. LEWIS.

## LEIGH-UPON-MENDIP, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Sept. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's.

Tenor 12 cwt.

CHARLES J. PAIN ... Treble	*WILLIAM ROSEWELL ... 4
GERALD GRIFFIN ... 2	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN ... 5
ALBERT E. B. HEAL ... 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

\* First peal with a bob bell. First peal of Minor on the bells. The band was entertained after the peal by the Vicar, the Rev. J. E. W. Honnywill, whose kindness was much appreciated.

## OAKLEY, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Eight different callings.

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr.

STANLEY G. HARLOW ... Treble	*CHARLES WADSWORTH ... 3
HERBERT L. HARLOW ... 2	*HARRY SMITH ... 4
HENRY STAPLETON ... Tenor	

Conducted by H. L. HARLOW.

\* First peal of Doubles.

## FOXTON.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 21 six-scores each of Grandsire and Bob Doubles.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

*STANLEY RICHARDSON ... Treble	FRED WALLINGTON ... 4
WALTER WALLINGTON ... 2	WILLIAM HECTOR ... 5
P.C. WALTER ROBINSON ... 3	*WILLIAM MEADOWS ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM HECTOR.

\* First peal. The ringer of the 3rd was proposed a member of the M.C.A. before starting.

## WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of St. Clement's Bob, Double Court, Plain Bob, Single Oxford Bob, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

ALFRED H. WATSON ... Treble	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 4
JOHN GARRATT ... 2	GEORGE LEE ... 5
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## CAMBRIDGE.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Aug. 31, 1922, in Two Hours and Six Minutes,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY ... 1-2	W. H. J. HOOTON ... 5-6
J. B. WOOLLEY ... 3-4	C. W. WOOLLEY ... 7-8

Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

**COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thursday, Sept. 7, 1922, in One Hour and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of 42 six-scores, with ten different callings, as arranged in  
Snowdon's book. Tenor size 12 in F.

WILLIAM WASE ... .. 1-2 | WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 3-4  
ALFRED S. BAYLEY ... .. 5-6  
Non-conducted. Witness: WILLIAM R. EVANS.

This is the first 'non-conducted' peal for the Hereford Guild, in the diocese, or in the county of Shropshire. The ringers are also members of the Salop Guild.

**BIRMINGHAM.**

**THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**

*On Thursday, Sept. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 1-2 | ALBERT WALKER ... .. 7-8  
FRANK W. PERRENS ... .. 3-4 | JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 9-10  
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 5-6 | MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 11-12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by FRANK W. PERRENS.

**HARWICH, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, Sept. 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5424 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.  
Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

This is a new composition and is now tapped for the first time.

**BREWOD, STAFFORD.**

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

*On Sunday, Sept. 10, 1922, in One Hour and Fifty-Nine Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of 42 six-scores with ten different callings as arranged  
in Snowdon's book. Tenor size 10 in B flat.

JOHN PERRY ... .. 1-2 | WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 3-4  
\*EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... .. 5-6

Conducted by JOHN PERRY.

Umpire: THOMAS PERRY.

\* First peal 'in hand.' This peal and the peal of Stedman on tower bells, were specially arranged whilst Miss Minnie V. Pardo (cousin of Mr. John Perry) was on holiday at Brewod; also during a week-end visit by Messrs. Rodenhurst and Saunders. The handbell peal was rung in the conductor's grounds amidst beautiful scenery and surroundings.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
GUILDFORD DISTRICT.**

A district meeting was held at Aldershot on Saturday last, and was attended by ringers from Farnham, Godalming, Guildford (Holy Trinity and St. Nicolas), Sandhurst, Shere, Worplesdon, and members of the local company. The bells were available at three o'clock, and were kept going in various methods till five, when a service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. E. G. Ireland). The address was given by the Rev. A. Partridge, of St. Augustine's, North Town, Aldershot. The Guild service was used, and Miss Benham presided at the organ.

A substantial tea was generously provided in the Church Room by the Vicar, who presided, a company of about 35 being present. The Vicar welcomed the ringers, and expressed his great pleasure in seeing so good a number there, and gave a general invitation to hold meetings there as often as it could be arranged.

A business meeting followed, presided over by the Ringing Master (Mr. A. C. Hazelden). One compounding member and four probationers were elected.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the church and bells, and for providing the tea, to the Rev. A. Partridge for his excellent address, to Miss Benham for playing the organ, and to the lady ringers who assisted with the tea.

A move was then made for the belfry, when further ringing was indulged in till nine o'clock.

**PEALS THAT ARE RUNG**

AND WHO SHOULD PROVE THEM.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Good Mistress Peppery did come upon me yestere'en studying a ponderous tome by one Master Benjamin Thackrah, wherein is published a composition of Treble Bob Major ye footnote to which declares ye peal 'false in every course,' and ye goode woman did enquire of me why I did bother with false peals when I did possess so many ye truth of which was known.

So I did explain that as ringers were curious creatures and did ring firstly for their own pleasure; and, secondly, to give others pleasure; and lastly to give trouble to as many as had not ye ear for goode musick, and as we rung to please ourselves, we could just as well ring what we liked, if it were false.

Whereat ye good woman did enquire if there was not a rule laid down by ye goode Council which did prohibit us from doing so, upon which I had to explain that, in my humble opinion, the rule did not prohibit us from ringing a false peal if it did tickle our fancy so to do, but did prohibit us from foisting ye peal onto ye annals of ringing as a true peal. I did hasten to assure ye good woman that I had more than a little sympathy with ye goode Councilors on ye subject, though I did not belong to ye circle.

At which ye goode ladye did exclaim, 'Peppery, if you were elected to serve on the noble Council your reputation is such that you would be asked to apply for the "Campauological Chiltern Hundreds" long before your term had flown one session.' Ye goode woman must know me, not wisely, but too well. So I did e'en explain that my sympathies were with ye Council of ye wise ones, because of ye letters from ye gentlemen who would e'en throw all ye labour of proving peals onto ye Committees of ye Council, ye reason being that some few rotaries of ye noble art having rung false peals, and these said false peals having been published in ye reports of sundry Associations, ye said reports did lose prestige by handing down to posterity a record which was not wholly true. So ye several gentlemen did try to fix ye work on to shoulders which were not entitled to bear ye said work of proving all ye peals rung. Whereat goode Mistress Peppery did demand to know what ye Committees of ye said Associations were doing to allow false peals to appear in yeer reports, and that each member of each Association should, in her opinion, do his little best to lighten ye labour of ye Council. That ye peals which are rung are first sent to ye Chief Scribes of ye Guilds and then allowed to be published in yeer Reports is not ye fault of ye Council, neither could ye Council alter ye fact, is obvious, ye Composers of ye peals should not be compelled to publish yeer peals before they are rung, but ye Committees of ye Associations should be held responsible for ye truth of yeer reports. It is possible for a peal to be proved, first, by ye composer, second, by ye bob caller, third, by ye Committee of ye Association that it is rung under, and, fourthly, by ye Committee of ye Council, and still false peals escape notice.

At which ye goode woman did say that she could see that one such as I could neither end nor mend it; but the Council, 'twas certain, had enough to do without any more, that is, if all its members were fully employed. If they are not, perhaps some of them would volunteer the work of collecting ye file of all peals in all methods to put before ye final Committees of ye Council, one man to take one method.

ONCE A BEGINNER.

**STEDMAN TRIPLES WITH FOUR-BOB SETS.**

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Replying to Mr. A. J. Pitman's inquiry, I composed peals of Stedman Triples with 4-bob sets only and two singles, in 1906. The peal which he publishes was first rung in the October of that year, and was published in the 'Bell News' of December 22nd, 1906.

The bob blocks are exactly similar, the only difference in the two compositions being the placing of the single.—Yours faithfully,  
Sunderland.

JOSEPH W. PARKER.

**NOT FOR GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL.**

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—Being unaware at the time of the rule as to the election of new members to the Gloucester and Bristol Association, two handbell peals, rung at Bristol on August 15th and 16th, were published under the heading of the Association when we were not entitled to do so. The peals can, however, be credited to the Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Yours, etc.,  
A. H. PULLING.

**BISHOP STORTFORD.**—On Thursday, August 31st, at St. Michael's Church, Bishop Stortford, 1,575 Stedman Caters: H. J. Tucker 1, F. Bird 2, W. T. Prior 3, W. Prior 4, H. Dew 5, T. Jordan 6, E. J. Pitstow 7, T. Watts 8, F. Dench (conductor) 9, W. T. Ayre 10.

**SAFFRON WALDEN.**—On Saturday, Sept. 2nd, at 45, High Street, on handbells, 1,488 Bob Major: F. J. Pitstow 1-2, A. E. Pitstow 3-4, A. T. Ayre (conductor) 5-6, F. Dench 7-8.

**ILKESTON RINGERS' FIRST OUTING.****HOW 'KEEP SMILING' SAVED THE SITUATION.**

Ilkeston ringers' outing was arranged for Saturday, Sept. 2nd, but on September 1st two of the band felt something like a conductor when he has missed a hot in the last course of a peal, for one of the motors which had been engaged had got out of control. Every other car in the district seemed to be engaged, and it was not until 7 p.m. that these two ringers found 'Keep Smiling' standing in the garage. After telling a good tale they managed to secure her service, and then it was the turn of hunters to smile, but on condition they arrived home at 8.30 instead of 9.30, as the car had yet to fetch a party home afterwards. Ringers, to the number of 24, met at the time stated on the 2nd, not knowing the previous trouble, and started on a trip through the Leicestershire Hills, calling at Loughborough, where, by the kind permission of Messrs. Taylor and Co., they paid a visit to the bell foundry, the inspection being most interesting, and much appreciated by all. After viewing the several peals in the tuning and fitting shops, the ringers found their way to the foundry tower, where Stedman was on the programme. Forward and Kent were also brought round. Permission could not be granted for a pull at the Parish Church, as Cambridge Royal was in progress. But here the party were quite content to hear this most noble peal of ten being well struck, while the ladies, who had wandered off, were hunted up. Then the party made their way on through the Leicestershire forests and hills, the trip to Hugglescote being very much enjoyed by all except 'The Queen of the Valley' and 'Keep Smiling,' which got very well warmed. Hugglescote was reached a few minutes behind time, but not too late for the long course which was waiting for them at the Castle Inn. Here they were met by Mr. E. W. Rands. After dinner the ringers made their way to the tower, the bells being up ready. Here a most amusing incident happened when the man at the seventh rope thought he was on the treble, and after his 'Look to, treble's gone,' the bells went off 76543218. However, the mistake was soon righted, and a nice touch of Stedman was tapped off, also a course of Plain Bob. Ashby-de-la-Zouch was the next objective, but owing to 'Keep Smiling' being anxious to reach home only a course of Stedman and a short touch of Treble Bob, besides ringing up and down in peal, was accomplished. These are a very fine peal, with nice ropes, which spring a lot. After thanking the local ringers for meeting them and making arrangements, the visitors made their way towards home, reaching Ilkeston at 8.50, safe and sound. This was the first outing of the kind for this party, who are looking forward to the next, and they wish to thank all those who helped to make the outing a success.

**LANCASHIRE SURPRISE.****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. James's remarks on the demerits of Lancashire Surprise Major, may I ask him if there is not more fault to be found with our rather cramped ideas of all the essentials which are necessary to form a really first-class method? There is no doubt that Lancashire is, as I stated, the twin to Bristol. If one looks at the following illustrations, he will find that one is practically the reverse of the other in each quarter lead, which, in a double method gives the whole of the work (the second quarter lead is a reverse of the first), which brings to treble to the whole pull behind, the full treble lead being completed with repeating the work backwards.

**LANCASHIRE.**

1 2 3 4	5 6 7 8
2 1 4 3	5 7 6 8
1 2 3 4	7 5 8 6
2 1 4 3	7 8 5 6
<hr/>	
2 4 1 3	8 7 6 5
4 2 3 1	7 8 5 6
2 4 1 3	7 5 8 6
4 2 3 1	5 7 6 8
<hr/>	
2 4 3 5	1 7 8 6

**BRISTOL.**

1 2 3 4	5 6 7 8
2 1 4 3	6 5 8 7
1 2 3 4	6 8 5 7
2 1 4 3	8 6 7 5
<hr/>	
2 4 1 3	6 8 5 7
4 2 3 1	6 5 8 7
2 4 1 3	5 6 7 8
4 2 3 1	5 7 6 8
<hr/>	
2 4 3 5	1 7 8 6

I have made no claim that it is in any way superior to Bristol, personally I prefer the latter, but, if we must really find fault, that method also has its faults, as there is a certain monotony in the sameness of the positions right throughout a peal, which is increased somewhat with the use of the lengthening lead.

In Lancashire we have a greater variety of positions turn up, and, as in Superlative, a few might not be particularly musical. The bulk of them are exceptionally so, and give an especial charm in their variety.

Regarding Mr. James's remarks on my reference to Bristol Royal, and his assertion that there is no such thing, and never will be, I must say we differ much. My extension is a perfect and true one; Mr. James's is not, and I can point out why, but as I am sure other gentlemen will take the matter up, I will leave the task in the hands of some better exponent with the pen.—Yours truly,

ARTHUR CRAVEN.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

This is our 600th number, and it is, perhaps, not uninteresting to note that every front page article that has appeared has been written by the Editor.

Week by week, in good health or in bad, this task has been accomplished without a break from the first number to the present.

In such a long series, it would have been impossible to please all our readers all the time, much less have we expected everyone to agree with all the opinions which have been expressed. But what we have tried to do has been to give our readers something to think about and talk over.

In this we hope we have succeeded, and if we have done that much the labour has certainly not been in vain.

The first peal rung by the Society of St. Martin's Youths was rung at St. Philips', Birmingham, on Sept. 16th, 1755. It was a peal of Bob Major.

On Sept. 17th, 1896, the 11,328 London Surprise Major (then the longest in the method) was run at Drayton, where the Rev. F. E. Robinson was Vicar for so many years.

The London County Association's outing, arranged for last Saturday, had to be cancelled at the last moment.

We record another good performance this week on the part of a youthful ringer, Walter F. Whitehead, having, at the age of 14, rung his first peal of Superlative Surprise on an 'inside' bell, at Market Harborough.

The bells of All Saints' Maldon, Essex, which have recently been recast, two trebles added, and fixed in a steel frame by Mr. Bowell, of Ipswich, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Barking on Wednesday, Sept. 27th, at 8 p.m.

With reference to the peal of Double Norwich at Isleworth, mentioned in this column last week, Mr. T. Beadle sends us the information that the bells were reopened on October 25th, 1903, so that Mr. J. E. Davis' peal there in 1906 has prior claim to being the first peal in the method after the rehangings of the bells.

The bells were cast by Lester and Pack in 1767, and bear quaint inscriptions typical of those in fashion at the time. On the sixth, for instance, is the couplet:—

Ye Ringers all that prize your health and happiness.

Be Sober, Merry, Wise, and you'll the same possess.

While the sixth informs us that 'Musick is Medicine to the Mind.'

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter writes explaining the inscription on some of the bells at New College, Oxford, to which reference was made in this column last week. The words, which should be 'Manners makyth man,' are the motto of William of Wykeham's two colleges at Oxford and Winchester.

Mr. George C. Collins, the Kent cricketer, who was the only bowler to take ten wickets in an innings in a county match this year, is a member of the Kent Association, being a ringing member of the Milton-next-Gravesend band, and has, so far, rung four peals of 5,040. All ringers offer their congratulations.

The peal at Cullompton, Devon, recorded last week, was not the first peal on the bells, as stated in the footnote, but the first peal in the method. The weight of the tenor is 19 cwt. 2 qr. 4lb., and not 22 cwt.

## WEDDING BELLS.

The peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Martin's, Birmingham, and the peal of Stedman Caters at Solihull, were specially arranged and rung as complimentary peals to Miss Louisa Phyllis Bratton, eldest daughter of Mr. T. J. Bratton, late of Shrewsbury, on her marriage to Mr. Herbert Stanley, of Edgbaston, Birmingham the ceremony taking place on September 6th at St. Augustine's Church, Edgbaston. The reception was held at the George Hotel, Solihull. The bands tender their thanks to Mr. T. J. Bratton, who kindly provided refreshments after each peal.

## HELPFUL VISITORS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I entirely agree with the remarks of the Rev. M. Kelly in your last issue regarding the help which could be given to bands by ringers staying in a town or village for a short time. But there is a point which must also be borne in mind which he does not mention. I refer to the silent help given to bands by those who, from time to time, visit various towers while on holiday. There are many bands who have derived great benefit out of these silent visits from ringers who are anxious to help others in the art, and many a ringer in both town and country will testify to the painstaking efforts on the part of these voluntary helpers. These visits are not usually heard of in your paper, but the Exercise is greatly indebted to those who visit these towers, wherever help is needed, and who do not seek any reward excepting the satisfaction of knowing that some good may possibly result.—Yours faithfully,

W. SHEPHERD.

## THE Q-SETS OF METHOD CONSTRUCTION.

To the Editor.

Sir,—It was at one time a well recognised practice of certain advocates when they had no case to blackguard the attorney on the opposite side. Mr. Bramble adopts the more amusing plan of laughing him out of court. Both methods have certain obvious disadvantages, the latter especially when the laughter is so boisterous as in this case that no breath is left to answer the question whether B in my last letter is a true extension of A. If Mr. Bramble thinks he has answered it I would point out that classification is not the same thing as construction.

In one point I am in full agreement with him. What is needed is construction and not purely destructive criticism, and the former I will endeavour to give. Where I join issue with him is his opinion 'that the whole fabric of the science of ringing rests upon one or two arbitrary conventions.' That it is a contradiction in terms to use the word science in this connection need not be pressed at the moment.

Sixty years ago had you asked a typical expert of the period how Holt's original was produced, and what laws governed the introduction of the bobs and singles, he would doubtless have said something to the effect that 'for the production of our permutations or changes there are no fixed laws.' He would have laughed out of court any idea of obtaining 5,040's of Grandsire Triples other than by trial and error, i.e., composition was simply experimental—similar, in fact, to our present experts' practice in extension of methods. Had anyone been rash enough to suggest to that Mid-Victorian expert that a logical or scientific mind found it difficult to conceive how a 5,040 (i.e., an extent) could just grow like Topsy, he would have received the contemptuous retort that ringing is not a real science like chemistry. And that answer would doubtless have received popular assent, because the effort to get down to the basis of things and explore the mysterious and unknown paths of pure reason involves, detached thought and the readiness to scrap prejudices, both of which are repugnant to the ordinary mind.

Thanks to the researches of Thompson and others, it is now universally recognised that the calls used in the production of round blocks and extents are inevitably related together in groups to which Thompson gave the name of q-sets. These q-sets dominate the composition so absolutely that on the one side it is impossible to obtain a true extent if you introduce calls contrary to their dictates, and, on the other, once the treatment of the various q-sets is determined, the composition is evolved mechanically and without further effort.

There is a close analogy between an extent and a plain course. The extent is the full number of changes in the method obtained by means of bobs and singles. The plain course is the full number of changes obtainable in accordance with the laws under which the method is produced. And just as the bobs and singles employed to obtain an extent are not independent, but are grouped together in q-sets, so it is universally recognised that the operations which produce the plain course from the principle on which it is based must at least produce something of symmetry. The law that a plain course must consist of as many divisions as there are working bells, and that each of these divisions must be alike is a recognition of this supremely important fact. Or to put it in another form as the calls by which the extent is produced are governed by certain q-sets, so also must there be q-sets concerned just as vitally in the construction of the method itself. This application of q-sets to method construction fits in with all we know of the subject, and appears to be inevitable, although up to the present it has totally escaped general recognition. That a simple analytical proof of their existence is so far not available is not surprising.

If the fact be accepted, what is the consequence? Each method, whether it be Plain Bob or London Surprise, has its own q-sets, and in a very real sense the method can be said to consist of its own special q-sets. Thus it follows that if you can discover the q-sets that belong to any particular method, the production of that method on any number of bells becomes from that moment a merely mechanical piece of work.

I must not take more space now in justifying the statement that the number of true extensions of a method is infinite. Suffice it to say that the words were used advisedly, and the term infinite in its strict mathematical significance.—Yours, etc.,

Holbeton Vicarage, Plymouth.

E. S. POWELL.

## REV. MAITLAND KELLY'S 80th BIRTHDAY.

At 8 a.m. on August 21st, the bell ringers of Kelly, Devon, rang two touches of Grandsire Doubles, in honour of the 80th birthday of the Rev. Maitland Kelly, President of the Devon Guild, and a member of the Central Council. Mr. Kelly went out himself to the belfry, and rang with them another touch.

Afterwards the whole band were entertained in the house with light refreshment.

## EXTENSION OF METHODS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—It is altogether useless trying to argue about extension unless you know what extension really is. Men take a method, analyse it, find out what they consider its important features, and then try and reproduce them as closely as they can on a higher number of bells. They treat each method on its own, and without reference to other methods, and for all the arguments they give us, their style of working is purely experimental. What one man thinks the important features of a method, another man will hotly dispute, and naturally no two men arrive at the same result. The selfsame man will one minute gravely tell us something as an important truth, and the next minute something the direct opposite.

A few months ago Mr. Bankes James, writing about London Surprise, told us that there are two kinds of extension, 'Oxford Extension' and 'Cambridge Extension,' and the first is altogether wrong and inadmissible. Last week, writing about another method, he calmly throws this all overboard, and gives us an 'Oxford Extension' as true Bristol Surprise Maximus. It won't do. If there is such a thing at all as extension there must be one law, one rule, for all methods alike. And there is such a law, based on the fundamental nature of ringing itself, which will give you impartially correct extensions, and differentiate sharply between what is a method and what is not.

To understand it you must study what a 'q-set' is, and also realise that the only relationship between the variations of a method on different numbers is that of a mathematical progression. Every true extension is a true progression, not only of the number of bells and the lead ends, but also of every bit of work, and of every individual row.

But it does not follow that every true extension of a method is entitled to be called by the same name as the original.—Yours truly,  
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

52, Lammas Park Road, Ealing, W.

## QUICK SIX TRIPLES.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—When I produced this method I had no idea that it had already been obtained, and I congratulate Mr. J. W. Parker on having discovered it so long ago.

With the hope, however, that it will be taken up by the Exercise, and with your kind permission for a further exposition, I have rearranged my peal to suit the form adopted by Mr. Parker, which has regular division heads, also to simplify the calling of same. I have also a 5,040 containing the minimum number of Holt's Singles (46), which will be found below.

By the way, peals or touches can also be arranged by using pairs of Stedman singles instead of bobs.—Yours faithfully,

A. J. FITMAN.

5,040 (Bobs in pairs).			5,040 (Holt's Singles).		
1234567	1534276		1234567	2nd 3rd 5th divisions	
3652471	1	5217634	6	416523	H H
1675324	3	1362745	1	543216	H H
1475236	7	7251346	2	354162	H H H
3152746	4	7651432	7	312564	H
2516734	5	2635714	3	534612	H H
1375642	1	6721435	6	652134	H H
6521347	2	3614275	4	265341	H H H
2435176	1 P	1326547	1	231645	H
3714562	1			625431	H H
P 1357246	1	Repeat twice.		461325	H H
				345261	H H
				321465	H

Repeat twice.

The figures to the right indicate the divisions in which pairs of bobs are called.

Holt's Single to be added in last division of 3rd and 6th parts.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the Manchester Branch was held at Brookfield on Saturday, Sept. 9th, and was poorly attended, it being 5.30 before ringing commenced with a touch of Grandsire Triples for one of the local ringers. Other ringers then arrived, and Stedman was rung after this, but owing to other business some of the members had to leave early. This left the company short-handed, so the business meeting was held.

Flexton was selected for the next meeting, on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Further ringing afterwards took place. No doubt the bad going of the bells was responsible for the poor attendance. The ring is much in need of repair.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

A quarterly meeting of the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association was held at Merthyr on Saturday last, and proved one of the best gatherings of the Association. The bells, a fine ring of eight, by Messrs. Taylor and Co., were available during the afternoon, and were rung in the standard methods. Service was held, conducted by the Rector, the Rev. I. Richards Pugh, who had the assistance of one of the curates, the organist and surpliced choir. The address was most appropriate. Ringers attended from Llandaff, Cardiff, Newport, Penarth, Humbery, Pontypridd, Caerphilly, Bedwas, Whitechurch, Aboravon, Pentre, Aberdare, Brecon, Llanelli, etc.

Immediately following the service, tea was served in the School-room, kindly provided by the Rector and churchwardens.

The business meeting followed, at which the customary business was transacted, including reception of instructors' reports, election of new members, etc., at the close of which the usual vote of thanks was accorded all concerned for their kindness.

The Hon. Secretary, before the meeting broke up, pointed out to the Rector that the ringing chamber was not quite in keeping with the beautiful church and vestry, and suggested that it be made to appear more like these parts.—The Rector, in reply, said he wished to make no apology. He was quite sure all that had been said was quite correct, and although he had been there eighteen months they had and were spending several thousands of pounds on the other church in the parish, but as this was a matter which he considered twenty-five pounds would put right, he promised that if the Association would again visit Merthyr, say in three months' time, it would be found that all was in order.

The next meeting is to be at Abergavenny.

**MIDDLESEX RINGERS IN BUCKS.**

On Saturday, Sept. 2nd, the ringers at St. Stephen's West Ealing, Middlesex (strengthened by several ringing friends from London) held their annual outing, and spent an enjoyable day, visiting several towers in Bucks. A start was made at 9 a.m. from Ealing by charabanc to Farnham Royal, Burnham, Beaconsfield and Slough. Farnham Royal was reached at 10.25, and the party were met by Mr. J. J. Parker, who escorted them to the tower, and soon the bells were pealing out merrily to touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples for about 40 minutes. On arrival at Burnham information was received that ringing could not take place then on account of a funeral, but Mr. G. Alder promised the company a pull later in the day, so, after a short stay for oiling, a move was made for Beaconsfield. Here Mr. R. Buckland, who had made arrangements for lunch, met the party, and conducted them to the Plough Inn, where a splendid spread was waiting, and to which justice was done. After resting awhile from their 'labours,' the company made their way to the tower of St. Mary and All Saints' Church, and the bells were set going to well-struck touches in various methods for about an hour. Afterwards the car was turned towards Slough (via Burnham for a few touches). On arrival at Slough the first order was tea, which was ready at Mr. Lidstone's Restaurant. After having satisfied the inner man, the party made their way to the tower of St. Mary's, and were welcomed by Mr. G. T. Leader. Some well-struck touches of Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich were rung here. As this was the last call it took a little longer to oil up, etc., but at 8.40 p.m. the car glided away from Slough on its way back, Ealing being reached at 9 p.m.

The band wish to take this opportunity of thanking the incumbents of the various churches visited for so kindly placing the bells at their disposal, and also the various leaders for their welcome and for having everything ready. It is worthy of mention that as the day advanced so the standard of ringing improved, and the last touch of the day (Double Norwich) was considered by all to be the best. It may be interesting to some brother ringers to know that during the day four of the party were initiated into the Solemn Order of Tom Tits by the Deputy Grand Master.

P. E. C.

**NEWPORT RINGERS' OUTING.**

The ringers at All Saints' Church, Newport, Mon., held their annual outing on Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Journeying by charabanc, they first visited Llangibby, where hangs a ring of eight in good going order. After various touches, it was 'right away' for Monmouth, where they found the genial veteran Councillor Tom Jones waiting for them. The bells were raised, and several touches rung. This was followed by lunch, and after a short stay, a move was made to St. Briavel's, where there is a good going eight. This tower stands well on the top of a hill, overlooking the famous Wye Valley. After ringing, Chepstow was the next and last tower on the programme. On the way from St. Briavel's to Chepstow a halt was made on the top of the cliff immediately above the famous horseshoe base in the River Wye—a sight never to be forgotten. The bells of Chepstow Parish Church were soon afterwards off to the tune of Stedman Triples, which concluded the ringing for the day. Opportunity is now taken to thank those at the different churches for their kindness.

**NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.****SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT GRESFORD.**

The half-yearly meeting of the above Association was held at Gresford, where there are eight bells, on Saturday, September 2nd, about 30 members being present from Gresford, Buckley, Wrexham, Rhyl, Portmadoc, Oswestry, Chester, Eccleston, Pulford and Ellesmere (Salop). Owing to a misunderstanding, the minute book and agenda did not arrive for the meeting, so, with the exception of the proposal of four new life members, no business was done.

The Master proposed that the business portion of the meeting be postponed until the annual meeting at Llandudno, on Whit Monday next. This was agreed to, most of the members being anxious to get back to the tower.

The bells were kept going to touches of Stedman, Treble Bob and Grandsire, and a proposal for Double Norwich after tea.

An excellent and substantial tea was provided in the School Room, to which ample justice was done.—Mr. A. J. Hughes proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the provider of the repast, and the motion was received with applause.—Mr. Hughes told the gathering that on several previous meetings of the kind at Gresford the Association had always been warmly welcomed and indulged, but he thought that the spread of which they had just partaken eclipsed all previous ones.—The Vicar of Gresford, in reply, said that he was really afraid he was unable to say quite who were the providers of the tea, but he had no doubt Mr. G. Williams, who was one of the oldest members in the Association, and who had discreetly left the room, was the chief person responsible. He (the Vicar) would always be very pleased to welcome the members of the Association to Gresford; and he solicited the opportunity of receiving the Association at an annual meeting.

The service was well attended, the Vicar officiating. The organist, after service, voluntarily gave the members a treat with an appropriate organ recital. The Vicar piloted the historians round the church, fully explaining the numerous details of interesting history which are associated with Gresford Church.

The Wrexham ringers, with one exception, were absent, indulging in a week's holiday at Blackpool, the contention being that the meeting was to be the second week in September, and not the second of the month.—The Hon. Secretary, who sent a representative, was away on holiday in the Isle of Man. Nevertheless the meeting was very enjoyable, and a distinct success. The best thanks of the Association are due to Mr. George Williams, the veteran of Gresford, for having everything prepared, and to the Vicar for conducting the service and extending such a hearty welcome. The vice-president (the Rev. T. Lewis Jones, of Glanada, Bangor) was unavoidably absent.

**TRIP THOUGH HANTS & WILTS.**

On Saturday, September 2nd, the North Stoneham ringers had their annual outing, travelling by charabanc, under the very able conductorship of Mr. George Williams. Several towers in Hants and Wilts were visited. East Tytherley (with its fine ring of eight, by Taylor and Co.) was the first tower. Here the party were joined by Mr. J. H. Shepherd of Swindon, who unfortunately had to leave early in order to attend a meeting at Gillingham, Dorset. The party afterwards proceeded to St. Martin's, Salisbury, and enjoyed ringing on the fine old peal. Proceeding to Downton, a splendid tea was partaken of at the Rectory, very generously provided by the Rector of North Stoneham, and his brother, the Rector of Downton. After tea a visit was paid to the tower, with its heavy ring of six (tenor 25 cwt.), by Mears. The last place of call was Sherfield English, with its very musical light ring of eight by Taylors. Home was reached about 10 p.m., all agreeing that a very enjoyable day had been spent. The methods rung during the day were Grandsire Doubles, Bob and Kent Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Major.

The best thanks of the party are due to the various incumbents for the use of the bells, and other friends who kindly assisted.

**RINGING AT SOUTHPORT.****To the Editor.**

Sir,—I was staying in Southport a few weeks ago, not far from Emmanuel Church, which possesses a ring of eight by Messrs. Taylor and Co. I made inquiries as to what ringing was done at that tower and the practice night, hoping that I might have heard the bells, or possibly have taken a rope.

As far as I could make out, in consequence of the objection to the noise on the part of a few persons who live near the church, these fine bells are seldom or never rung; and my informant added, that the objectors threatened, if they were rung, to get 'an injunction from the town authorities to stop the nuisance.' Perhaps the local ringers may be able to throw light on the situation, but it seems a pity that these bells should be silent.—Yours, etc.,

Rho. K.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**CHICHESTER, SUSSEX.**—On Sept. 10th, for morning service, at the Cathedral, Chichester, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: F. A. Burnett (St. Thomas', Portsmouth) 7, Miss E. M. Burnett 2, F. Tomkins 3, A. D. Rowe 4, C. Wilson 5, J. H. Blake 6, M. Heffer 7, W. Scaife (St. Thomas', Portsmouth) 8.

**FARNINGHAM, KENT.**—On Sunday morning, Sept. 10th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: F. A. Mitchell 1, J. Burles 2, G. R. Ambrose 3, G. Morrad 4, A. F. Shelton 5, F. M. Mitchell (conductor) 6. Also a bob course of Cambridge Surprise, 240 Kent Treble Bob and 120 College Single, in which H. Argent, A. Bates and J. Couchman took part. Eight members of Milton-next-Gravesend cycled out to this tower.

**STAINES, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday morning, Sept. 10th, for service, at St. Peter's Church, 504 Grandsire Triples: Miss H. E. Mackie (longest length) 1, W. C. Parker 2, Miss L. Stevens 3, Miss N. Stevens 4, J. B. Hessey (conductor) 5, — Smith 6, J. Crocker 7, — Smith 8. Also 504 Grandsire Triples (all singles): J. Crocker 1, Miss N. Stevens 2, Miss L. Stevens 3, W. C. Parker 4, — Smith 5, J. H. Preston (conductor) 6, J. B. Hessey 7, — Smith 8. The Messrs. Smith hail from Basingstoke.

**RINGSTEAD, NORTHANTS.**—On Feast Sunday, Sept. 10th, for early service, 720 Kent Treble Bob (with 15 bobs): A. Baxter 1, R. C. Loveday (conductor) 2, W. J. Gilbert 3, L. Wyman 4, A. Smart 5, J. R. Mairs 6. Also 560 Woodbine: L. Wyman 1, W. J. Gilbert 2, J. R. Mairs 3, A. Smart 4, A. Bellamy 5, J. Hewson 6. Conducted by R. C. Loveday. For morning service, 360 Kent, conducted by F. Chapman. Also 360 Woodbine and 360 Bob Minor 120 Stedman Doubles: R. C. Loveday 1, W. J. Gilbert 2, A. Smart 3, L. Wyman 4, J. R. Mairs (conductor) 5, C. Letts 6. For evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: R. C. Loveday (conductor) 1, W. J. Gilbert 2, L. Wyman 3, A. Smart 4, J. R. Mairs 5, A. Bellamy 6. Also 360 Oxford Single Bob.

**BOXLEY, KENT.**—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evening service, 720 Canterbury Pleasure: W. Gosling 1, L. Manuering 2, L. Newman 3, L. Head 4, J. Shorter 5, H. Sone (conductor) 6. Also 720 Grandsire Minor: H. Sone (conductor) 1, L. Newman 2, J. Shorter 3, G. Pound 4, L. Head 5, L. Manuering 6. First 720 of Canterbury by ringers of 2 and 4.

**CHESHUNT, HERTS.**—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: G. Andrews 1, F. C. Perrin 2, W. G. Darlington 3, W. Warner 4, J. Thomas (conductor) 5, H. Goodenough 6, G. Maxim 7, J. Littlechild 8. Arranged for Mr. H. Goodenough, of St. Albans.

**LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.**—On Sept. 10th, for morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: W. Williams 1, S. Carter 2, E. A. Overall 3, A. Phillips 4, W. H. Lawrence 5, G. H. Carter (conductor) 6.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. W. Pannett 1, T. A. Easterby 2, J. Crowder 3, H. G. Norgate 4, E. J. Pannett 5, E. B. Crowder 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, A. F. Bennington 8.

**STOKE POGES.**—Oxford Diocesan Guild.—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, at the Church of St. Giles, for harvest festival, 720 Kent Treble Minor: J. Bateman 1, Mrs. A. D. Barker 2, A. D. Barker (conductor) 3, A. Bateman 4, W. Bateman 5, W. Henley 6. First in method by J. Bateman, and first away from treble by A. Bateman. Also 360 Kent Treble Bob Minor: H. Batten 1, Mrs. A. D. Barker 2, J. J. Parker (conductor) 3, A. Bateman 4, W. Henley 5, A. D. Barker 6.

**PORTSMOUTH.**—On September 3rd, for evening service, at the Church of St. Thomas-a-Beckett, Portsmouth, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 49 mins.: F. A. Burnett (conductor) 1, E. Martin 2, Miss E. M. Burnett 3, W. C. Parker 4, P. Giles 5, P. Cook 6, H. Aitken 7, W. Scaife 8. Arranged for Mr. Parker, of Staines, who was on a holiday.

**EDGBASTON.**—At the Old Church, on Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor, in 23 mins.: A. Morgan 1, C. H. Simkin 2, E. Rose 3, G. Pigott 4, R. Russell 5, H. Withers (conductor) 6.

**CHEDDISTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for afternoon service, at St. Mary's Church, 720 Bob Minor (26 singles): F. C. Lambert (conductor) 1, F. Peck 2, T. Crane 3, J. Howard 4, W. Kerrison 5, A. H. Took 6. Also 360 Bob Minor: W. Warren 1, F. C. Lambert (conductor) 2, W. Kerrison 3, J. Howard 4, T. Crane 5, A. H. Took 6.

**HOUNSLOW.**—On Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins.: A. Brookland 1, O. J. Tricker 2, A. Price 3, J. Chave 4, F. G. Goddard 5, A. Harding 6, A. Diserens (composer and conductor) 7, D. G. Archen 8. First quarter-peal as conductor.

**WICKWAR, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**—On Sunday evening Sept. 3rd, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: A. Dyer 1, Henry Hale 2, W. Dyer (conductor) 3, H. V. Robinson 4, Fred Handoll 5, A. Handoll 6. First 720 Kent on the bells by a local band, and first 720 Kent by ringers of 1 and 2.

**WATFORD, HERTS.**—On Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for morning service, 504 Stedman Triples: S. Hoare 1, E. Jones 2, J. R. Picton 3, Rev.

C. F. Averst 4, E. Elliott 5, W. E. Oakley 6, F. Edwards (conductor) 7, W. Hewitt 8.

**MALVERN LINK.**—Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Matthias, on Sunday, Sept. 3rd, 504 Stedman Triples: W. Niblett 1, W. Ranford 2, E. D. Barber 3, J. Bayliss (longest length) 4, H. Chance 5, H. T. Knowles 6, C. Camm (first in the method as conductor) 7, A. Richings 8.

**SHREWSBURY.**—On Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for evening service, at St. Chad's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes), in 55 mins.: J. Griffith (age 14) 1, J. B. Lilley (age 14) 2, G. Byolin 3, R. G. Knowles 4, R. Pole 5, D. J. Boucher 6, T. Pritchard 7, G. Jones 8, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 9, J. Evans 10. Composed by A. Knights. First quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters on the bells: also by 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10. Arranged for Mr. R. G. Knowles, and rung in honour of Mr. J. Evans' 55th birthday.

**DARLINGTON, DURHAM.**—On Sunday, the 2nd September, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, 540 Doubles, 180 Stedman, 120 Plain Bob and 240 Grandsire: C. S. Burden 1, F. Cooke 2, G. W. Park 3, W. N. Park 4, F. W. Lupson 5, W. Oliver 6. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Archdeacon Watkins, of Durham Cathedral, who was for many years patron of the living. Also on Sunday, Sept. 9th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. Atkinson 1, F. Cooke 2, W. Cooke 3, W. N. Park 4, F. W. Lupson 5, G. W. Park (conductor) 6; and for evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: F. Cooke 1, F. Atkinson 2, W. Cooke 3, W. N. Park 4, F. W. Lupson 5, G. W. Park (conductor) 6.

**NORTH STONEHAM.**—On Sunday, August 27th, for evensong, 588 Stedman Triples: G. Williams 1, O. Giles 2, G. Pullinger 3, W. G. Rowe 4, — Callagan 5, C. J. Fray 6, W. T. Tucker 7, E. Dumper 8.

## RINGER'S TRAGIC DEATH.

We regret to announce the death, under tragic circumstances, of Mr. Thomas Wallis, of Edenbridge, who expired suddenly at Chiddingstone Church, on Saturday week, while on an outing with the members of his band.

## CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL.

TWO PEALS BY THE REV. H. LAW JAMES.

5000		5040	
234567890		23456	M W H
274365890	7th 5th	52436	—
584237890	4th 6th H	42635	—
45623	H	62534	—
64523	H	35426	—
54326	M	64523	—
23645	M W		
84235	W H		
26435	H		
42635	H		

Repeat the last three courses.  
three times.

Rung at Surfleet Aug. 19th, 1922

Repeat the last 5 courses.  
Rung at Surfleet Jan. 7th, 1922.

## J.F. RUN TO EARTH.

To the Editor.

Sir,—In your last issue but one, reference was made to a mysterious ringer whose initials are J. F., and again this week the question is asked, Who's J. F.?

My attention was focussed on this query because I think I have run J. F. to earth (I ought to have been a detective instead of a potter. It is quite evident I have missed my vocation).

If I have the right man, he organised an outing from Bolsover last June to Alton, Staffs, where I had the good fortune to witness his organising powers (he is a veritable Kitchener), through the kind offices of a very dear old friend of mine, Mr. T. Bettison, of Mansfield Woodhouse, who, in your correspondent's racy description of 'A Day in the Midlands' is referred to as 'The Veteran.' Now this J. F. is a mortal terror to a ringer who lolls about half-heartedly—in fact, is as hard as his name. No, not bell-metal, but another substance of which we use a vast quantity in the pottery trade, namely, 'Flint.' There, I've done it, and I may as well go the whole distance.—Mr. John Flint, of Bolsover, I have been amongst ringers whose apathy in the belfry makes one positively ill to see them. Now this isn't J. F. this time. On the contrary, you can fairly see his enthusiasm bubbling over, and it permeates the whole atmosphere wherever he happens to be, and carries everything along with it. I say it is very refreshing to meet a ringer of this type. More power to his elbow, and may his like never decrease is the sincere wish of  
Milton, Staffs.

J. E. WHEELDON.

**WINDSOR PARISH CHURCH RINGERS.****AN OUTING IN SURREY.**

The members of the Windsor Parish Church Association held their annual outing on Saturday, September 2nd, when a most enjoyable day was spent in a tour by charabanc in the Surrey hills.

A start was made from the Parish Church about 8.30 a.m., the ringers being accompanied by Churchwardens Burns and Bartlett. The first stop was at the Church of St. Lawrence, Chobham, where the party was welcomed by the Vicar and the steeplekeeper. Ringing took place from 9.30 to 10.15, some very musical touches being rung to the delight of the inhabitants. A start was then made for Guildford, but the party had not proceeded very far before a halt was made for refreshments at Worplesdon Corner, where some excellent photographs of the excursionists were taken by Messrs. Burns and Stilwell. At Guildford the party was met by Mr. and Mrs. Weatherby and Mr. C. Hazelden, the well-known Guildford ringers. The company inspected Holy Trinity Church, which contains many famous tombs, etc. A move was then made for the tower, where some excellent ringing was indulged in. Touches of Grandsire, Oxford Bob and Stedman Triples were rung in fine style and the band were heartily congratulated by the local ringers upon the excellent striking. The next objective was Rammore, near Dorking. The road from Guildford to Rammore is noted for the splendid views of the countryside, and the hills are remarkable. For a time it was in doubt if it was possible for the motor to negotiate the miniature mountains, but it responded in fine style to the relief of the passengers. Magnificent views were obtained to the delight of all.

Rammore was reached soon after 1.30 p.m., and luncheon was partaken of at the Post Office Tea Rooms, an excellent spread being provided by the steeplekeeper (Mr. Tom Smith), the menu including rabbit pies and salad, apple tarts, etc.

After luncheon, Mr. Churchwarden Burns proposed the toast of the steeplekeeper, Mr. Thomas Smith, stating how pleased he was to be with the ringers that day, and expressing his appreciation of the ringers of the Parish Church. Continuing, Mr. Burns stated he was sure the Rector (the Rev. Hamilton) would have been delighted to have been with them, but unfortunately it was impossible this year, but they hoped to have the pleasure of his company next year. Mr. Bartlett, in a few well-chosen words, also expressed his thanks to the ringers, and hoped to be with them on many future outings. In replying to the toast, Mr. Smith expressed his thanks for the kindly way in which the toast had been received. He recalled how, for over one hundred years, only the very elementary stages of ringing had been taking place at the Parish Church, but two years ago campanology was taken up seriously. The present band was formed, and since that time the greatest possible progress had been attained. Not only was it a surprise for Windsor, but they now had the name of being one of the finest bands of Sunday ringers in the county, not particularly for the methods rung, but for their excellent striking. Only that morning he had been informed that the band was the best that had visited the district, and it was very gratifying to him to know that their progress had been so noticeable. He welcomed the churchwardens there that day, and thanked them for the interest they had shown in the ringing. He hoped that the same interest might still be continued, so that the band might make further progress. Continuing, Mr. Smith thanked Mr. Stilwell, the very popular conductor, through whose efforts ringing had made such advancement in Windsor, also all the ringers who had so ably supported him during the year.

Mr. Stilwell, in reply, said how pleased he was with the progress that had been made, and how delightful it had been to instruct such a willing band of men. When change ringing was first introduced two years ago, he was then the only conductor, but since then several had taken it up, and now he could rest assured that should at any time he be away there was always someone who could take his place. He reminded those present of the severe loss the band had sustained in the death of Mr. Charles Farr, who last year was with them on the outing, and who now had joined the great majority. No one had taken a greater interest in the band than Mr. Farr, and no greater tribute could be paid him than the fact that he died practically in harness, as it was immediately after ringing for Sunday service that he collapsed and died.

After luncheon, ringing was indulged in at the Church of St. Barnabas, Rammore, where the party was met by Mr. Churchwarden Dobson. Some excellent touches were brought round, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Weatherby, who joined the party from Guildford.

After tea a start was made for home. A halt was called at Dorking, where arrangements had been made to ring, but unfortunately, owing to being 30 minutes over the arranged time, the steeplekeeper was found to have left, and so the party continued the journey very disappointed. However, someone cheerfully suggested a halt on Cobham Common, where refreshments were partaken of, and several members went for a moonlight stroll on the heath. Windsor was reached about 10 p.m., after a very enjoyable day. The ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking all the subscribers to the fund which made this outing possible, and appreciate greatly the kindly interest shown them.

**NOTICES.**

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames St., on Sept. 28th; \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Sept. 19th; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on Sept. 21st; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 16th, at St. Mary's, Woolwich. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Service, 4.45 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. at 1s. Business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Hawley, on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Business: election of Secretary.—Hilda F. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—Quarterly meeting at Barcombe, near Lewes, Saturday, Sept. 16th. Tower open, 2.30. Service, 4.30. Tea (by kind invitation), 5. Business meeting to follow.—A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—The Annual meeting of the above will be held at Tenterden on Saturday, Sept. 16th, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. J. A. Babington), who also sends a cordial invitation to the members to take tea with him. Ringing from 3 till 4.30, at which time a special service will be held in the church. Tea at 5 o'clock to be followed by general business meeting for the election of officers, etc.—C. Tribe, Hon. Dist. Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the Western District will be held at Newburn Church on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Bells available from 3 o'clock.—H. Tyson, 23, New Houses, Harperley Road, Tanfield Lea, Tantobie.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A Monthly meeting of this branch will be held at Barwell, on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Will members owing subscriptions for 1922 kindly let me have same at earliest convenience?—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Exeter Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Honiton Clyst, on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting in the Institute 5 p.m., 1/- each. Bells (8) available 2 p.m. All ringers welcome.—J. C. Oke, Assistant Hon. Sec., 35, St. David's Hill, Exeter.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Westhoughton on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The next Monthly meeting of the Guild will be held at Whitnash on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Old Warden, on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.—A good attendance is requested.—C. G. Ball, District Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

**HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Kings Langley, on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—F. J. Reeve, Hon. District Sec., Tring.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, Sept. 18th; Bishopsgate, Sept. 25th; Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd at 4th, at 5.15 p.m. Quarterly general meeting, October 2nd, 6.30 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Oxford City and District Branch.—A Quarterly meeting of the new Branch will be held in St. Giles' Parish Room, Oxford, on Thursday, Sept. 21st. Service in St. Giles' Church at 5.30. Business meeting afterwards.—W. Harris, Branch Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The September meeting of the above will be held on Saturday, the 23rd, at St. Mark's Church, Bath. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.15, followed by tea at 5 o'clock.—Edith Smith, 23, Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The First Annual Commemoration Dinner, to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Association, will be held at the Griffin Hotel, Boar Lane, Leeds, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, at 6 p.m. The bells at Headingley (8), Far Headingley (8) and Christ Church, Upper Armley (8), will be available from 2 to 5 p.m. Will intending visitors desirous of ringing kindly notify me so that arrangements can be made for their reception at the various towers? Tickets, 5s. 6d. each, can be obtained from P. J. Johnson, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds, and application for same should be made not later than first post Monday, Sept. 18th. All ringers welcome.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Thurcaston and Anstey, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea and meeting at Anstey. All requiring tea inform me by Sept. 20th.—H. E. Norman, 52, Ivy Road, Leicester.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Uttoxeter on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Please notify me on or before Sept. 18th how many intend to be present from your tower.—E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and A. Vaughan, Hon. Secs.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Burnham, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Cogenhoe on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Sept. 18th.—S. J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Rd., Northampton.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at West Grinstead on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Tower open from 2.30. Tea at The Burrell Arms at 5 o'clock. Will all those intending being present kindly advise me by Sept. 20th?—A. W. Groves, 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Harworth (Bawtry Station, G.N.R.) on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available from 2 to 4 p.m. A meat tea, 1/6 per head, will be provided at 5 o'clock for all notifying Mrs. Revill Butcher, Harworth, Bawtry, not later than Wednesday, Sept. 20th. Short service from 6.30 to 6.50 p.m. in church. Members from kindred Associations welcome.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Rd., Worksop.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at All Hallows', Tottenham, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 5, with address by the Rev. F. R. Bonsey, President of the Association. Tea at a charge of about 1/3 at 5.30, followed by business meeting. All who require tea please advise me early. I shall be glad to receive all outstanding subscriptions for 1922.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-East Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Bickleigh (6) on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available at 2.30. Service at 4.45, preacher, Rev. J. F. Shaw, Vicar of Thorverton. Tea at 5.15 in the School at 1/- each. Will those requiring tea please notify me by the previous Tuesday?—Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Branch Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**HALLATON, LEICESTER.**—The six new bells will be dedicated by the Archdeacon of Leicester on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, at 3 p.m. Visiting ringers will be welcome, and tea provided at small charge to those who notify Mr. J. H. Freer, c/o Hallaton Rectory, not later than 20th inst.—E. Morris, 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Norwood Green on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, by permission of the Vicar (Rev. Thomas Parker). Ringing from 3.15. Will arrange tea for members and visitors, but kindly drop a postcard by the 20th.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Northamptonshire Branch.—A meeting will be held at Peterborough on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Ringing at St. Mary's and St. Augustine's, Woodston, also at the Cathedral if permission can be obtained. Service at 4 o'clock at St. Augustine's. Tea will be provided at 5 o'clock in Park Road Co-operative Hall to those notifying Miss Phyllis Hare, 'Church View,' Oundle Road, Woodston, Peterborough, not later than Tuesday, Sept. 19th. All gentlemen are cordially invited, this being the first ladies' meeting to be held in the Peterborough district.—Cecil Hepburn, Hon. Sec., Isham, near Kettering.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—A Quarterly meeting of the South-Western Division will be held at Orsett on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells (6) ready 2.30 p.m. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea at Whatmore Arms Hotel, 1/3 each; meeting to follow. Nearest station Grays. Bus to Orsett every hour. Will members and friends please notify by the 18th and oblige?—W. H. Theobald, Hon. Dis. Sec., 49, Portway, E.15.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Cotgrave on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. Motor bus leaves Midland station 2.20 prompt.—T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.



**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Southwold District.—A practice meeting will be held at Wrentham on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available 2.30. All ringers welcome.—F. W. Naunton, Hon. District Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Pirbright on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, tea and meeting to follow. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify me by Wednesday, Sept. 27th?—G. Miles, Hon. Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—Annual meeting at Kinver on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available 3.30. Service 4.30. After service, tea and business meeting. Gentlemen invited. All names to be sent in not later than Tuesday, Sept. 26th, to Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Market Deeping on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Tea will be provided at the Imperial Cafe at 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me by Sept. 25th.—S. Proctor, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Preston on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Further particulars by circular.—W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Hon. Secs.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at West Malling on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available at 3 p.m. A short service at 5 o'clock. Business meeting after the service.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Sec., Lower St., East Farleigh.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The next quarterly meeting will be on Saturday, Sept. 30th, at Wigston. The bells (two rings of 8) will be available at 3 o'clock. Committee meet at 4.30. Tea will be at 5.30, followed by general meeting, in the Church School, Wigston Magna. Will those requiring tea, which will be provided at a moderate charge, kindly advise Mr. W. H. Humberstone, 56, Burgess Street, Wigston Magna, Leicester, not later than Thursday, the 28th?—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Stratballan, Darley Dale.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Heckfield on Saturday, Sept. 30th (visiting Sherfield en route). Tower open after tea. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30. Visit Rotherwich at about 6.30. Sixpence per head will be allowed towards the cost of tea to all members informing me not later than Saturday, Sept. 23rd.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dist. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

**GREASLEY.**—Preliminary Notice.—The new peal at St. Mary's, Greasley, will be available for ringing on Saturday, September 30th, from 2.30 to 9 p.m. Tea at 4.30. Will those who require tea please notify J. E. Hobbs, Watnall, Notts, by Sept. 28th? All ringers are cordially invited.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Isham, near Kettering, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. All desiring tea please notify Miss Hepburn, The Pines, Isham.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 17, Wellington, Road, Enfield.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Sittingbourne on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Service, tea and business meeting. Tunstall (6) will be open after the meet-

ing. Further particulars to follow.—Fred M. Mitchell, Dis. Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### SITUATIONS WANTED.

**CHANGE RINGER** requires Situation. Any position of trust. Excellent references. Available at once, London or suburbs preferred. Small pension from H.M. Household.—H. Dyas, 185, East Street Buildings, Baker Street, W.1.

Situation wanted as **FITTER**, good all round experience. Standard methods, any number.—L. W. Wiffen, Melrose House, Williams Avenue, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

#### HANDBELLS WANTED.

Wanted a **SECONDHAND SET** of 8 or 12 Handbells.—H. Gibbard, Mill Cottage, Somerton, Banbury.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
COVENTRY.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

'GRANDSIRE DOUBLES & TRIPLES SIMPLY EXPLAINED.'—Intended for Beginners and for those who find the ordinary books of instruction too technical. Price 6d., post free 6½d.; 5/9 a doz., post free, from I. Roe and M. Broome, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. AGGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDIRIN, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Gayersham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	...	3
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½ in. 2¾ in. 3½ in. 3¾ in. 4 in. 4½ in. 5 in.  
Price .., 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 78/- 98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

in Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 35/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 601. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

### BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### OUR SIX HUNDRED.

We feel much encouraged by the many congratulatory letters which have reached us upon the issue of our six-hundredth number, and by the complimentary tone in which numerous correspondents have written upon the articles which have appeared on this page. The reference which we made last week was rather casual, but the interest in the information seems to have been very general. It has not always been an easy task to fill this corner of the 'Ringing World,' for ringing is not a subject which presents new issues and fresh phases every week; but the 'feature' has been maintained throughout the series, and has proved of interest, and sometimes of profit, not only to individual members of the Exercise, but to many ringing organisations. We write this in no spirit of egotism, and it is gratifying to know that our efforts, which have been consistently made to direct attention and focus opinion upon matters affecting ringers and ringing, have been appreciated.

As we mentioned last week, the design behind these weekly articles is to make ringers think. That is not always an easy matter, and still more difficult is it to induce movement into the corporate doings of ringing organisations, but persistent effort has sometimes brought visible results. Our desire has been to see the art advanced along every line open to it, to see the status of the ringer raised still higher, and to see the position of associations strengthened and extended until they become the centre round which all ringing activities revolve. How far we have helped towards these ends we cannot say. Had it not been for the long disturbance caused by the years of war, much more might have been accomplished; but we believe we may take some credit for a share in the recovery which ringing made when the men began to return to the belfries.

The position of a writer of articles such as these is not always an enviable one. Every reader is a potential critic, every dissatisfied critic is ready to belabour the unfortunate author of these comments. One thing, however, we feel confident of. However much individual ringers may have disagreed with us, we have not, so far as we know, made a single enemy by anything that has been written in this column. We have tried to be fair and frank, and one complimentary note which we have received from a well-known London ringer gives us special pleasure: 'Congratulations on the courage of your opinions—600.' Had we always written to please, and succeeded, it could not have given us so much gratification. Our object has been to bring ringers to realise their oppor-

(Continued on page 594.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

**Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.**

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway),

**Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

tunities of increasing their own and their association's efficiency, and thus raise the standard of ringing. We do not claim that we have been infallible, but even if our views have occasionally been unacceptable, we believe we have created a wider interest among ringers in many questions which previously they passed over, with little or no thought. This will continue to be our aim, and the expressions of goodwill which have reached us from all quarters upon our six-hundredth number are an incentive for the future.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

PONTEFRACT.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5009 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

JOHN H. LENTON ... .. Treble	JOHN CARTER ... .. 6
BERNARD MOODY ... .. 2	† THOMAS HOLDER ... .. 7
ARTHUR WALKER, SEN. ... .. 3	JAMES JACKSON ... .. 8
* ARTHUR WALKER, JUN. ... .. 4	HARRY WALTERS ... .. 9
WILLIAM HAWLEY ... .. 5	JOHN FRYER ... .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PRISTOW. Conducted by J. H. LENTON.  
First peal of Stedman Caters by all the band. \* First peal of Stedman. † First peal of Stedman away from the tenor. First peal of Stedman as conductor.

STAFFORD.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;**

JOHN PERRY ... .. Treble	† JOHN J. TAYLOR ... .. 6
WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 2	† GEORGE HARRIS ... .. 7
* SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 3	THOMAS J. ELTON ... .. 8
† WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 4	HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 9
EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... .. 5	† JOHN WARRILLOW ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.  
\* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal on tenor. ‡ First peal of Stedman and first on tenor. First peal of Stedman on the bells. The composition is No. 481 on the broadsheet. S. Burton hails from Leicester, and W. D. Wase from Coalbrookdale. At the conclusion of the peal the band were kindly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Taylor.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, Sept. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

BEN THORP ... .. Treble	TOM WILD ... .. 6
* W. BRAMMER ... .. 2	J. LEIGH ... .. 7
* J. BRIERLEY ... .. 3	W. WOLSTENCROFT ... .. 8
H. NORGROVE ... .. 4	A. ADAMS ... .. 9
S. BOOTH ... .. 5	TOM JACKSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by BEN THORP.

The ringers of the 2nd, 3rd and 6th hail from Hyde. The 4th ringer was elected a member of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society previous to starting. \* First peal in the method on ten bells.

EWERBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN T. HOLMES ... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. STOKES ... .. 6
F/Sgt. F. A. HOLMES, R.A.F. 2	WILLIAM DICKINSON ... .. 7
* CHARLES MCGUINNESS ... .. 3	WILLIAM HAIGH ... .. 8
† WILLIAM G. THORPE ... .. 4	† JOHN A. FREEMAN ... .. 9
SIDNEY J. PROCTOR ... .. 5	WALTER H. WOOD ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by FRED A. HOLDEN.  
\* First peal of Caters. † First peal of Stedman Caters. ‡ 50th peal. Arranged for the ringer of the 8th, who hails from Gillingham, Kent.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Aug. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM BIBBY... ..Treble	ERNEST PALMER ... .. 5
JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. 2	HENRY C. COLLYER ... .. 6
*FREDERICK J. HANCOCK ... 3	FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 7
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 4	CECIL RADDON ... ..Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 105). Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal in the method 'inside.'

CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

ERNEST CHANNELL ... ..Treble	EDWARD JENKINS... .. 5
JOHN HAYES ... .. 2	HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 6
GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 3	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. 7
*JAMES SWINDLEY ... .. 4	JAMES H. RIDING... ..Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 32). Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal in the method.

EWELL, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in F sharp.

GEORGE MARRINER ... ..Treble	JOHN BEAMS... .. 5
WILLIAM S. SMITH ... .. 2	ALBERT DISERENS ... .. 6
GEORGE W. STOKES ... .. 3	CHARLES E. READ ... .. 7
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... ..Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by A. H. WINCH.

This is the 100th peal that Messrs. Dean and Winch have taken part in together, they having each conducted 28.

HOLM LACY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

*ARCHIE PROBERT ... ..Treble	WILLIAM H. SYMONDS ... 5
CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 2	ALFRED R. ELKINS ... .. 6
†IVOR PROBERT ... .. 3	JOHN CLARK ... .. 7
‡ALLEN GWYNNE... .. 4	§RICHARD BIGGS ... ..Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First peal of Triples with a bob bell.

‡ First peal of Triples. § First peal. Arranged for Mr. A. R. Elkins, who was on a visit from Tring.

STRANTON, WEST HARTLEPOOL.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

REEVES' VARIATION.

Tenor 13 cwt. in F.

*THOMAS H. CHAMPION ...Treble	ROBERT WEBSTER ... .. 5
JOHN LOWREY ... .. 2	REV. ALBERT SIMPSON ... 6
ROBERT STEPHENSON ... 3	FRED P. HOWCROFT ... .. 7
STANLEY E. ANDREWS ... 4	WALTER SIMPSON ... ..Tenor

Conducted by the Rev. A. SIMPSON.

\* First peal away from tenor. Rung as a farewell compliment to the Rev. J. Bennett, M.A., on his retirement after more than 37 years as Vicar of the above parish, and during whose incumbency the church was restored and the bells installed. The ringers expressed their good wishes to the Vicar when, after the peal, he kindly entertained them at the Vicarage.

PUTNEY.

On Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

LOUIS ATTWATER... ..Treble	WILLIAM H. WORSLEY ... 5
WILLIAM S. LANGDON... .. 2	THOMAS BOLTON ... .. 6
HARRY R. PASMORE ... .. 3	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 7
JOSEPH HERBERT... .. 4	HENRY R. NEWTON ... ..Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

This peal was rung as a compliment to Mr. T. Bolton on his first birthday. He has been steeple-keeper at the above church for 17 years. This was a non-society peal.

EPSOM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb. in F sharp.

MISS VIOLET SHORTER ...Treble	ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 5
MISS NORA SHORTER ... .. 2	GEORGE W. STOKES ... .. 6
JOHN BEAMS... .. 3	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. 7
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 4	ALBERT HARMAN ... ..Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by A. HARMAN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Harman.

WITNEY, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb.

JOHN MONK ... ..Treble	EDWARD E. ROBEY ... .. 5
JAMES BUTLER ... .. 2	NOBLE SPINDLOW... .. 6
MRS. ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 3	GORDON CAULDWELL ... .. 7
ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 4	JAMES NAPPER ... ..Tenor

Conducted by NOBLE SPINDLOW.

BOLSTERSTONE, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

LEONARD SHAW ... ..Treble	ARCHIE BREARLEY ... .. 5
*JOHN A. BREARLEY ... .. 2	ALBERT HELLIWELL ... .. 6
WM. A. WOOLER ... .. 3	JOHN R. BREARLEY ... .. 7
SAMUEL HARRISON ... .. 4	†WILLIAM HARRISON ... ..Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD.

Conducted by W. HARRISON.

\* First peal. † First peal as conductor.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*HERBERT CHAMBERS...Treble	FRED CHAMBERS ... .. 5
ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. 2	TOM STANCLIFFE ... .. 6
TOM CHAMBERS ... .. 3	RICHARD STANCLIFFE... .. 7
ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN ... 4	FRED BRADLEY ... ..Tenor

Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

\* First peal. Rung to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Blackshaw, prominent workers at the above church.

**Bell Ropes**

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

**GREAT REDUCTIONS.**

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**



TROWBRIDGE, WILTS.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Sept. 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

*MRS. W. T. WITTS ... .. Treble	CHARLES DOEL ... .. 5
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 2	*WILLIAM BAXTER ... .. 6
*JESSE FRANCIS ... .. 3	*CHARLES ANDREWS ... .. 7
THOMAS F. KING ... .. 4	SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.  
\* First peal of Major.

FINCHINGFIELD, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Sept. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

*BERNARD PETTITT ... .. Treble	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 5
*LEWIS WISEMAN ... .. 2	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 6
*CHARLES H. HOWARD ... .. 3	*SIDNEY HALE ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.  
\* First peal in the method at first attempt. First peal of Surprise on the bells.

BRISTOL.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Sept. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILLIP AND JACOB,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

MRS. E. J. BROWN ... .. Treble	HENRY T. HOWELL ... .. 5
MISS ANNIE BROWN ... .. 2	EDWIN J. BROWN ... .. 6
FRED E. TYLER ... .. 3	ISAAC LONG ... .. 7
FRED W. WADE ... .. 4	*FRANK H. HOWELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by MISS ANNIE BROWN.

\* First peal. This is Miss Brown's first peal as conductor and first attempt; it is also the first peal rung in Bristol conducted by a lady. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of deep respect to the late Mr. T. Miles, a former churchwarden at St. Phillip's.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.  
(NUNEATON SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, Sept. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

CHARLES DRAPER ... .. Treble	ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... .. 5
HAROLD D. ARGYLE ... .. 2	WALTER HORTON ... .. 6
HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 3	JAMES F. CLARKE, JUN. ... .. 7
ERNEST STONE ... .. 4	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by T. W. CHAPMAN.

Rung as a silver wedding peal for the conductor and was his 200th peal.

SHIPLEY, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN DIVISION.)

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

ERNEST H. SIMPSON ... .. Treble	HARRY STOTT ... .. 5
THOMAS B. KENDALL ... .. 2	*FRED KIBSHAW ... .. 6
HARRY FOSTER ... .. 3	*WILLIAM FEATHER ... .. 7
FIRTH HOPWOOD ... .. 4	JOHN JOYCE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. PLATT. Conducted by E. H. SIMPSON.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 6th; also to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Roos upon their golden wedding, Mr. Roos having formerly been a member of the above tower. Ringers of the 3rd, 6th and 7th hail from Idle, 4th from Bolton, the rest belong to the local band.

CHILHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 20 cwt.

RICHARD STEVENS ... .. Treble	FREDERICK FAIRBEARD ... .. 5
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE ... .. 2	HARRY PARKES ... .. 6
WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 3	CHARLES BRETT ... .. 7
FREDERICK BRETT ... .. 4	EDWIN G. BOESDEN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES BRETT.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the treble, 5th and 7th.

TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

SAMUEL J. HUGHES ... .. Treble	*ALFRED ROWLEY ... .. 5
BERT HORTON ... .. 2	REUBEN HALL ... .. 6
WILLIAM A. COOPER ... .. 3	JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... .. 7
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... .. 4	ABRAHAM GREENFIELD ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by ALFRED ROWLEY.

\* 25th peal as conductor on the above bells.

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*JOHN BAYLISS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 5
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... .. 2	SIDNEY T. HOLY ... .. 6
ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 3	ERNEST GIBBS ... .. 7
*GEOFFREY LEWIS ... .. 4	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by C. CAMM.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method on the bells. The above peal and the one at Hanley Castle were rung as a farewell to J. Bayliss, who is leaving the district.

SWANSOOMBE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

MIDDLETON'S.

*JOHN WHEADON ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... .. 5
WILLIAM HARPER ... .. 2	JOHN S. CHEESMAN ... .. 6
CLER. SGT. BENNETT ... .. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. 7
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... .. 4	HERBERT AUDSLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

\* First Surprise peal.

CLUN, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in F.

*REV. HAROLD J. SCOTT ... .. Treble	PERCY LANE ... .. 5
CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 2	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 6
ALFRED S. BAYLEY ... .. 3	*WILLIAM MEAD ... .. 7
JAMES P. HYETT ... .. 4	*EDWIN BROOM ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM SAUNDERS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Triples away from tenor. ‡ First peal of Triples with a bob bell. Rung to celebrate the 8th anniversary of the dedication of the restored tower and bells. C. Edwards hails from Madley, J. P. Hyett from Hay, P. Lane from Ludlow, W. Saunders and A. S. Bayley from Coalbrookdale, the rest are local men. Messrs. Saunders, Lane, Bayley and Hyett were elected life ringing members of the St. George's Society before starting for the peal. The band take this opportunity of thanking Mr. and Mrs. Mead for their kind hospitality during the week-end.

## PUDSEY, YORKS.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

*JOHN AMBLER ... .. Treble	†JAMES MCKALE ... .. 5
WILLIAM BARTON ... .. 2	PATRICK LARVAN ... .. 6
SYDNEY SADLER ... .. 3	PERCY J. JOHNSON ... .. 7
†WILLIAM BATTY ... .. 4	JAMES R. KEMP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.

\* First peal of Grandsire Triples on tower bells. † First peal. This peal was rung as a compliment to Mr. J. Whitaker (an old and respected member of the Association) and Mrs. Whitaker, on the occasion of their golden wedding, and also in honour of the 21st birthday of the ringer of the 3rd.

## TITCHEMARSH, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb. in E.

*GEORGE JEFFS, JUN. ... .. Treble	GEORGE JEFFS, SEN. ... .. 5
REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... .. 2	FRED STUBBS ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. GILBERT ... .. 3	FRANK KIRK ... .. 7
DANIEL REDHEAD ... .. 4	JAMES M. NICKERSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by JAMES M. NICKERSON.

This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble, and was his first peal. The ringers were kindly entertained to tea by Mr. George Jeffs, sen., after the peal.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 15½ cwt.

HOBART E. SMITH ... .. Treble	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM ... .. 5
FREDERICK J. TILLET ... .. 2	CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... .. 6
JAMES DURRANT ... .. 3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... .. 7
CHARLES A. CATCHEPOLE ... .. 4	*JOHN GILLINGHAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY.

\* First peal. First peal in the method as conductor and first attempt.

## THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. Treble	SYDNEY COX ... .. 5
*G. STEDMAN MORRIS ... .. 2	†REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... .. 6
†ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. 3	ERNEST J. JELLEY ... .. 7
CHARLES ALLSOPP ... .. 4	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by LAWRENCE STAINS. Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

First peal in the method on the bells. \* First 'touch' in this method 'inside,' age 14. † First peal of Major in the method. † First peal in the method.

## BUCKLEY, FLINTSHIRE.

## THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Matthew,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.

ROBERT SPERRING ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM CATHERALL ... .. 5
†EDWARD HARRISON ... .. 2	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. 6
THOMAS CATHERALL ... .. 3	SAMUEL MEADOWS ... .. 7
JOHN HAYES ... .. 4	GEORGE R. JONES ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal of Major. Rung as a compliment to Mr. S. Meadows, on his 59th birthday. † Proposed a member of the Association.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## EAST HARLING.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's called differently.

Tenor 12 cwt.

E. HONT ... .. Treble	H. MASON ... .. 4
C. CARTER ... .. 2	W. EAGLING ... .. 5
*T. STAGG ... .. 3	W. ADCOCK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. ADCOCK.

\* First peal with a bob bell.

## EAST HARLING.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's called differently.

Tenor 12 cwt.

EDGAR HUNT ... .. Treble	HERBERT MASON ... .. 4
CHARLES CARTER ... .. 2	WILLIAM EAGLING ... .. 5
THOMAS STAGG ... .. 3	FREDERICK A. SALTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK A. SALTER.

First peal as conductor.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Sept. 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Six Minutes,  
In the Belfry of St. Margaret's Church,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor size 15 in C.

JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 1—2	*FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 5—6
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 3—4	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 7—8

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

Witness: H. PEARSON.

\* First peal on an 'inside' pair.

## SHREWSBURY.

## ST. CHAD'S SOCIETY.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,  
In St. Chad's Belfry,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of two 120's of Stedman, 20 of Bob Doubles and  
20 of Grandsire.

JAMES E. LILLEY ... .. 1—2	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 3—4
*WILLIAM B. KYNASTON ... .. 5—6	

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

\* First peal on handbells, also of Doubles. J. E. Lilley's 15th peal.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
At the Royal Grammar School,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 14 in D.

WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... .. 1—2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3—4	MRS. W. R. MELVILLE ... .. 7—8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Melville.

## SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
At the Vicarage,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor size 15 in C.

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY ... .. 1—2	W. H. J. HOOTON ... .. 5—6
REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... .. 3—4	REV. H. LAW JAMES ... .. 7—8

Composed by REV. E. B. JAMES. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

The first peal ever rung in the method.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Wednesday, Sept. 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE VICARAGE.*

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANCES;**

Tenor size 15 in C.

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY ... 1-2 | W. H. J. HOOTON ... 5-6  
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 3-4 | REV. H. LAW JAMES ... 7-8

Adapted from SHIPWAY. Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

**HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, Sept. 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET.*

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Conducted by the performer.

Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

This is a new peal by Frederick Rogers, Portsmouth, and is now tapped for the first time.

**GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANCES;**

Tenor size 18 in G.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... 1-2 | MAURICE SMITHER ... 5-6  
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4 | FRANK I. HAIRS ... 7-8  
GEORGE W. STEERE ... 9-10

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. R. Whittington and the conductor.

**HARWELL BELLS TO BE REHUNG.  
EFFORTS IN AID OF ANCIENT BERKSHIRE PEAL.**

It has been decided to raise funds to rehang the bells of Harwell Parish Church, Berkshire, and, if possible, augment the existing peal to eight.

The present bells are a very fine ring of six, the tenor being 4ft. 11ins. in diameter, in the key of E, and, therefore, weighing approximately, 18½ cwt. They were all cast at Reading between the years 1590 and 1615, the second and fifth by Joseph Carter, and the remainder by his nephew, William Yare. Thus they form a very old ring. The tenor is an exceptionally fine-toned bell, and the whole ring may be heard distinctly for miles round.

Mr. R. T. Hibbert has heard them in East Ilsley Churchyard, quite six miles away across the Berkshire Downs.

The late Rev. F. E. Robinson said he had often listened to them in the vicarage garden at Drayton, four miles away in the opposite direction, and Long Wittenham people have testified to hearing them in their village six miles away to the east.

The bells were rehung in 1887, but the same frame was used, and at the present time there is imperative need of restoration.

Although only possessing six bells, inhabitants of the village have rung many peals on 8, 10 and 12 bells all over the country, even in Scotland and the Isle of Man. A committee has now been formed, consisting of the Vicar, wardens, and Messrs. E. M. Bosley, E. Cox, W. Hitchman, C. Hitchman, S. G. Lay and R. G. Rice who are determined to do their utmost to see the thing through. An entertainment was held on August 18th, with a packed 'house,' a feature being handbell selections by the five brothers White, of Appleton, and numerous other items, including comic songs by another change ringer, Mr. A. V. Gibbs, of Wantage.

On September 2nd, a six-a-side football tournament and fete were held, and proved a great success. The clerk of the weather, after a wet week, decided to shine on the effort, and so successful was it that it will doubtless become an annual event.

A prominent feature has been the ready response made by the villagers, both ladies and gentlemen, to render all assistance, and all teas, prizes for competitions, etc., at the fete, were provided free, so that, owing to their generosity, the amount cleared was made much larger than would otherwise have been the case.

The next event will be an organ recital and sacred music in the old church, with its fine organ, on October 5th, by a party from Wallingford, under the direction of Mr. Wunley, organist of St. Mary's Church there.

With the villagers all working so hard, it is hoped that others interested will back them up, and any donation, however small, will be gratefully received by the hon. secretary, Mr. R. G. Rice, Harwell, Stevenage, Berks.

**CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD TOUR.**

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.

**THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.**

*On Monday, Sept. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.*

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.

REV. R. H. WHITFORD (Pembroke) ... Treble	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS (Fitzwm. Hall) ... 6
J. B. WOOLLEY (Jesus) ... 2	J. H. R. FREEBORN (Clare) 7
J. BUTLER (Fitzwm. Hall) ... 3	REV. E. BANKES JAMES (Caius) ... Tenor
W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') ... 4	
E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 5	

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

**MANCHESTER.**

**THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.**

*On Thursday, Sept. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY, ST. DENNIS AND ST. GEORGE.*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANCES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

REV. E. BANKES JAMES (Caius) ... Treble	CANON H. J. ELSEE (St. John's) ... 7
W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') ... 2	REV. H. LAW JAMES (Caius) 8
J. BUTLER (Fitzwm. Hall) ... 3	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN (Trinity) ... 9
E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 4	J. H. R. FREEBORN (Clare) Tenor
J. B. WOOLLEY (Jesus) ... 5	
REV. R. H. WHITFORD (Pembroke) ... 6	

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal of Caters.

**HOGHTON, LANC.**

*On Friday, Sept. 8, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.*

**A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5000 CHANCES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... Treble	REV. R. H. WHITFORD (Pembroke) ... 6
J. BUTLER (Fitzwm. Hall) ... 2	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS (Fitzwm. Hall) ... 7
E. H. LEWIS (Trinity) ... 3	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN (Trinity) ... Tenor
REV. B. F. SHEPPARD (Trinity) ... 4	
W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') ... 5	

Composed by E. M. ATKINS. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

\* First peal in the method.

**PETERBOROUGH RINGERS VISIT LONDON.**

On Saturday, Sept. 9th, the ringers of St. John's Parish Church, Peterborough, had their annual outing. Leaving Peterborough at 6 p.m., London was reached by 7.45. Unfortunately all the band were unable to travel together, two coming by later trains. The morning was spent in looking round the city, and among the places visited were the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey.

The first tower visited was St. Saviour's Cathedral, Southwark, where the bells were being rung for the wedding of one of the ringers, and where the party were welcomed by their old friend, 'the man of few words,' Mr. W. A. Alps, who promptly invited them to 'take hold' for a touch of Grandsire Triples on the beautiful toned back eight. This was followed by a pull on the twelve, assisted by a young lady visitor, this being the first time any of the Peterborough band had had a ring on the maximum number.

After picking up the late-comers they proceeded to Deptford, where they were met at the ancient Church of St. Nicholas, the mother church of Deptford, by Mr. G. H. Daynes, captain of the band and churchwarden, who gave them a good description of the historic parts of the church. Visiting the belfry, containing a handy peal of eight, touches of Grandsire and Stedman were brought round, Mr. Daynes taking part.

Returning to London Bridge, by way of the Old Kent Road, the visitors were met at the tower of St. George's-in-the-Borough, High Street, by Mr. Taffender, and well-struck touches of Grandsire Triples (419), Stedman (504) and Kent Treble Bob Major (288) were successfully brought round, Messrs. Taffender and Alps standing in. The bells, which are a lively peal of eight, were then lowered in peal.

This concluded the ringing for the day, and the band take this opportunity of thanking the Vicars of Deptford and St. George's for the use of the bells, also Mr. Daynes and Mr. Taffender for having everything in readiness. Peterborough was reached at midnight, all agreeing that they had had a very enjoyable and successful outing.

**DEATH OF DANIEL HEAP.****ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE RINGER FOR 60 YEARS.**

It is with regret that we record the death of Mr. Daniel Heap, which occurred on Sept. 7th, at the advanced age of 78 years. The deceased gentleman, who had been ailing for some time, was the oldest member of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society, having been a ringer upwards of 60 years. He had not done any peal ringing for a number of years, but was very regular in attendance for service ringing.

The funeral took place at St. Peter's, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Sept. 9th, and was attended by a numerous body of ringers, some of whom carried the remains to the grave. A course of Grandsire Caters was rung on handbells, after the committal by James Shaw 1-2, J. Mellor 3-4, Allan F. Bailey 5-6, Ben Thorp 7-8, Sam Booth 9-10. The company adjourned then to the belfry of St. Peter's, and rang a touch of Stedman Triples with the bells muffled.

After tea the twelve bells at the Parish Church were rung, with muffled clappers, in various touches during the evening. The bells were also muffled on Sunday, and on Thursday a half-muffled peal of Grandsire Caters was rung.

The deceased was of a very genial disposition, and his presence and kindly advice will be sadly missed by his brother ringers at St. Michael's.

**CASTLE CAREY RINGERS' TRIP.**

On Saturday, Sept. 2nd, Castle Carey ringers, accompanied by a few friends, held their annual outing. Starting by charabanc at 12 noon, West Lydford was the first tower visited, and after a few touches a move was made to Baboary. Here a new treble has recently been installed, bringing them to a handy ring of six. The only drawback is the noise in the ringing chamber, which, it is hoped, will soon be remedied. Several six-scores were brought round. The journey was then continued to West Coker; the run down the Fosse Road, in ideal weather, being much enjoyed by all. On arrival, a splendid meat tea was found waiting at the Castle Inn, to which full justice was done. A move was then made to the belfry, and the bells, a light ring of eight, were raised in peal, and after about an hour's ringing were lowered again. They were much admired for their tone and 'go.' Afterwards, the 'locals' were entertained with the handbells until the time for departure home. The thanks of the company are tendered to the incumbents for the use of the bells at the towers visited.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

The monthly meeting of the Crewe Branch was held at Tarporley on Saturday, Sept. 16th, and was very well attended.

The new Master of the Guild, Mr. Fairclough, of Stretton, was present, also ringers from Crewe, Tarporley, Ightfield, Frodsham, Nantwich, Stretton, Warrington, Alford, Eccleston, Bunbury and Davenham.

Ringings commenced at 3 o'clock, with touches of Bob Triples, Grandsire Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble, Bob Major, Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Superlative and Cambridge Surprise.

Tea was very kindly provided by the Rev. Canon Hughes.

At the meeting, after tea, the Master took the chair, and proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. Canon Hughes for providing tea, and also for the use of the bells. He also congratulated the Tarporley ringers on their well-kept belfry.

**ELLAND OCTOGENARIAN'S BIRTHDAY TOUCH.**

On Sept. 8th a date touch of 1,922 changes of Kent Treble Bob Major was rung at St. Mary's Church, Elland, Yorks, in honour of the 80th birthday of Mr. John Hollas, who has been a member of the Elland band of ringers for over 60 years. The following took part: Jas. Barraclough 1, Albert Walker 2, T. Shaw 3, Albert Armistage 4, Edgar Carter (conductor) 5, Willie Frith 6, John Hollas 7, Allan Carter 8. Mr. Hollas is considered to be the father of the Elland band of ringers, his two brother octogenarian ringers, Messrs. Joseph and Savile Brearley having removed to Blackpool. Mr. Hollas is hale and hearty, and his many friends wish him many happy returns of the day.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting of the North-Eastern Division of the Essex Association was held at Goldhanger on Saturday, Sept. 9th. The Rev. F. T. Gardiner officiated at the service, and afterwards invited the 28 members from eleven companies to partake of a bountiful tea on the rectory lawn.

At the business meeting, presided over by the Rev. Gardiner, who was supported by the Master (Mr. C. H. Howard) and the secretary (Mr. R. W. Stannard) it was suggested that the next meeting be held at Harwich, if arrangements can be made, at the end of the year. Thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and also for entertaining the members concluded another very successful meeting.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE**  
**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**in Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

We desire to thank the many readers who have sent us their congratulations upon completing our 600th issue. We should have liked to give extracts from some of these communications, but space—and modesty—forbid.

That famous old London ringer, Matt. Wood, of Bethnal Green, who died in 1912, was born on September 22nd, 1826.

Sept. 22nd, 1894, was the date of the first peal of Double Norwich Caters rung at St. Stephen's, Bristol.

Exactly a hundred and seventy years ago next Monday a peal of Bob Triples was rung at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, John Holt took part in this, and it was the last recorded peal which he rang for the Society of Union Scholars. Just afterwards he joined the College Youths.

The conductor of the peal of Double Norwich, at Isleworth on August 26th, writes that he doubtfully added the footnote by request, and in view of the fact that the rehangings took place in 1903 Mr. Davies' claim does not need argument.

The Cambridge University Guild has rung the first peal of Cambridge Court Bob Major, and thus put another interesting 'first' to its credit. The peal was rung on handbells at Surfleet. The author of the method is Mr. George Baker, and we publish the figures in another column. It is a method which may appeal to ringers looking for something fresh with a plain hunt.

Another lady has now to be added to the peal conductors, Miss Annie Brown, of Bristol, having called a peal of Grandsire Triples.

The peal at Thurstaston is noteworthy in that G. Stedman Morris rang his first peal in any method 'inside' by ringing 2nd to Kent Major, without having previously struck a blow in the method away from treble. By strange coincidence he is but 14, and born on the same day as W. Whitehead, who was noted last week as having rung his first peal of Major on the 2nd to Superlative. These two young Leicester ringers should go far in the art if their keenness continues.

Essex ringers will welcome the return to their peal ringing ranks of their esteemed Master, Mr. O. H. Howard, whose name figures this week in a peal for the first time for ten years. The strain of work during the war compelled Mr. Howard to give up peal ringing, but we hope to see him appearing in future in this sphere, as far as his many public appointments will allow.

## RINGING AT SOUTHPORT.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I formed one of a party of Yorkshirers who visited here some 10 years back, and had the privilege and pleasure to hear this fine peal. Since then I have on several occasions revisited the tower, and elicited the same information as your correspondent, 'Rho K.' I fully endorse his opinion it is a pity that the bells remain silent, perhaps to suit the whims and fancies of a few objectors, and beg to suggest that the said objectors remove further away from the church and locality.—Yours,

T. M.

P.S.—I have this morning heard the peal of eight at Christ Church.

## PROBABLY AN EMPTY THREAT.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—I don't think it is at all certain that an injunction can be obtained to restrain the reasonable ringing of parish church bells. I have not access to a complete legal library at the moment, but as far as I can discover there are two main cases on the point. In 'Soltan v. Deffeld,' an injunction was granted to restrain the persistent tolling of the bells of a Roman Catholic Church, but it was pointed out that this building was not a church, in the eye of the law, and could not claim the same privileges as a parish church in the matter of bell ringing—which seems to suggest that in the case of the Church of England the decision would have been different.

This was followed by 'Handman v. Holberton,' where an application for an injunction against bell ringing was refused by the Court.

So the threat of the Southport residents might be found rather an empty one.—Yours obediently,

H. W. F.

## THE EXTENSION OF BRISTOL.

*To the Editor.*

Dean Sir,—In an article that appeared in your columns about a year ago, I gave a simple definition of the difference between an Oxford and a Cambridge Extension, and pointed out that the Oxford Extension was produced by adding to the number of dodges in any place, as was done by Shipway in his extension of Double Oxford.

In Bristol Surprise Major the longest dodge that takes place is one row short of a double dodge. In the extension to Maximus I cannot find any dodging that is longer than that, nor can I find any new style of work that is not contained in the Major; so that I fail to see how it can be called an Oxford Extension, or that I can be accused of 'throwing overboard' my former convictions.—Yours truly,

E. BANKES JAMES.

# KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. ASHFORD DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING. PRESENTATION TO THE HON. SECRETARY.

The annual meeting of the Ashford District of the Kent County Association took place at Tenterden on Saturday. The grand ring of eight (tenor 30 cwt.) is in itself sufficient to attract a large attendance, but on this particular occasion there was a very pleasant ceremony to be performed, which greatly conduced to the bringing together of a representative gathering of members, not only from the Ashford district, but from other parts of the county, the towers represented being Appledore, Ashford, Benenden, Brabourne, Canterbury, Frittenden, Hawkhurst, All Saints', Maidstone, Mersham, Rolvenden, Smarden, Stoue-in-Oxney, Tenterden and Willesborough.

The Vicar (the Rev. J. A. Babington) conducted the service, the Association's form being used, and one of the ringers, Mr. W. E. Pitman, Mus.Bac., of Canterbury, presided at the organ.

The Vicar invited the company to tea at English's Tea Rooms, with the reverend gentleman in the chair.

Following the repast, came the business meeting. The first item was the presentation of a cheque, value £10, to the Hon. Secretary of the district, Mr. Chas. Tribe, of Tenterden, and a few sentences on Mr. Tribe's change ringing career, perhaps, will not be out of place. The writer started ringing in 1899, and from that year onwards has been in close touch with Mr. Tribe's change ringing activities. In early life, Mr. Tribe resided in West Sussex, and had the advantage of coming under the leadership of that masterpiece of instructors and conductors, Mr. George Williams. Later, his calling took him to the most eastern part of Sussex, the 'Ancient Town' of Rye. Here, toward the close of the last century he introduced change ringing. Subsequently he moved over the border into Kent, and resided at Wittersham, where a very dilapidated peal of five hang, and after a short stay he took his departure for Tenterden, where he has been the leading light of change ringing, to the writer's knowledge, for over 20 years. In that time no one knows the amount of time and work Charles Tribe has put in for the Kent Association. Apart from giving instruction in his own tower, ringers at many churches in the neighbourhood have reaped the benefit of his advice and assistance. The members of the Association soon found that they had a great enthusiast come among them in Charles Tribe, and it was not long ere they recognised his services by electing him on the committee. Then, about 1907, Mr. A. A. Manning, of Hythe, resigned as hon. secretary of the district, and on what better shoulders could the 'mantle' fall than on those of Charles Tribe? For 15 years he has given unbounded satisfaction, and it was felt by the members of the district that they should recognise his untiring energies and devotion to duty on their behalf. Messrs. C. W. Everett (Ashford) and C. W. Player (Stone-in-Oxney) were the organisers of the testimonial and subscriptions came in from the following towers in the Ashford District: Ashford, Appledore, Biddenden, Brabourne, Cheriton, Great Chart, Folkestone, Frittenden, Headcorn, High Halden, Hythe, Kingsnorth, Mersham, New Romney, Rolvenden, Smarden, Stone, Tenterden, Willesborough, Woodchurch and Wye. Ringing friends, 'outside' the district from Benenden, Canterbury, Charing, Hawkhurst and All Saints', Maidstone, also kindly contributed, and over £29 was raised. A collection before the tea augmented this sum to £10, and the Vicar, in commencing the business, said a very pleasant duty devolved upon him. He has been asked to read out a notice to the effect that a cheque, value £10, be presented to Mr. Charles Tribe in consideration of his valuable services given free as hon. secretary of the district, as a token of their respect and esteem, by the following affiliated towers in the district, and a few friends outside. Then followed the list of towers already mentioned. Continuing, the reverend gentleman said he could not add much, but they all in Tenterden knew what Mr. Tribe had done for bell ringing. Some years ago, he (the speaker) remembered reading a statement of one of the greatest generals the world had ever known: 'He who commands an army must give his whole mind to the task, and think of nothing else.' He (the Vicar) considered that Mr. Tribe, in respect of his bell ringing duties, had been equal to the greatest general that ever lived, and he had much pleasure in presenting him with the cheque on their behalf (applause).

In response, Mr. Tribe, who was received with loud applause, confessed he knew nothing about the testimonial. It would have been one of the last of his thoughts, and words failed to express his thanks and gratitude to them all. It was nice to know that what he had done had been appreciated. He had done his best, and could say that he felt he had done his duty. He thanked them all from the bottom of his heart, and he would endeavour to carry on in the future although he could see that the time was coming when he would have to give up the work. He again thanked them heartily for what they had done for him (applause).

Mr. Tribe's allusion that he might have to give up some time is due to failing sight.

Messrs. Robert Butcher (Rolvenden), Percy Farrance (Sellindge) and Stanley Saxby (Hawkhurst) were elected members, and on the proposition of Mr. C. W. Player, seconded by Mr. H. J. Balcomb, Mr. Tribe was unanimously re-elected hon. secretary.

Mr. E. Cheesman (Brabourne) proposed, and Mr. H. C. Castle (Ashford), seconded that Messrs. G. Paine (Mersham) and P. H. Pierce (Brabourne) be re-elected district representatives on the association committee.—These gentlemen met with the members' unanimous approval.

Places for meetings were appointed as follows: Headcorn in February; Hythe in the summer, and Appledore for the annual meeting. An extra meeting is also to take place at Biddenden, probably in November next.

On the proposition of Mr. Player, seconded by Mr. George Johnson (Appledore), a very hearty vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, conducting the service, and for his hospitality, to which the reverend gentleman suitably replied.

The bells were made good use of during the afternoon and evening. Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major and Double Norwich Court Bob Major being practised.

## MR. TRIBE'S THANKS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Will you kindly allow me a little space in 'our paper' to most heartily thank all those subscribers who so kindly contributed toward the liberal and useful testimonial presented to me at the meeting on Saturday last. I tried to thank those who were present, but at such a time, when it comes so suddenly on one, words fail adequately to express one's feelings, and so I feel I must thank again those who were present, and those who were absent. I can assure them all, both promoters and subscribers, that such a tangible token of their respect and esteem is very greatly appreciated, and makes one feel that one can buckle on one's armour and enter into the fray again with renewed zeal and vigour.

C. TRIBE, Hon. Sec., Ashford District.

## SALTASH RINGING FESTIVAL.

At the Church of St. Nicholas, Saltash on Monday, Sept. 4th, a great ringing festival was held, 19 sets of ringers taking part. The visitors were all entertained by a local committee, which included Dr. Grenfell (Mayor), Messrs. Dawe, Frost and F. Jago.

The prize-winners were as follows: 1st, St. Clear (1st band); 2nd, Landreath; 3rd, Talland; 4th, St. Veep (1st band); 5th, St. Endellion; 6th, Botusfleming (1st band); 7th, Lanlivery; 8th, St. Martin's (1st band). Other ringers represented St. Kew, Menheniot, St. Mabyn, and numerous other towers.

Saltash bells were restored and hung on patent adjustable bearings, some 10 years ago, by Messrs. Aggett and Sons, of Chagford, and the ringers, who took part in the festival were highly pleased with the 'go' of the bells.

## CAMBRIDGE COURT BOB MAJOR.

By GEORGE BAKER.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	
2 1 4 3 6 5 8 7	
2 4 1 3 5 6 7 8	
4 2 3 1 6 5 8 7	
2 4 3 6 1 5 7 8	
4 2 6 3 5 1 8 7	
4 6 2 5 3 8 1 7	
6 4 5 2 8 3 7 1	
4 6 5 8 2 7 3 1	
8 4 8 5 7 2 1 3	
6 8 4 7 5 1 2 3	
8 6 7 4 1 5 3 2	
6 8 7 1 4 5 2 3	
8 6 1 7 5 4 3 2	
8 1 6 7 4 5 2 3	
1 8 7 6 5 4 3 2	
1 7 8 5 6 3 4 2	
5 1 8 4	

Bob.

1 8 7 6 5 4 3 2

1 7 8 5 6 4 2 3

Single.

1 8 7 6 5 4 3 2

1 7 8 5 6 4 3 2

5184. By the REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

2 3 4 5 6 O H I

3 4 2 5 6 —

2 5 4 3 6 S —

5 4 2 3 6 —

4 2 5 3 6 —

4 2 6 5 3 —

4 2 3 6 5 —

3 6 4 2 5 —

6 4 3 2 5 —

4 3 6 2 5 —

6 2 4 3 5 —

2 4 6 3 5 —

4 6 2 3 5 —

2 3 4 6 5 —

Three repeats with bob instead of S in the 2nd and 4th parts. Rung on handbells at Surfleet on Sept. 12th, conducted by W. H. J. Hooton.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

**EDENBRIDGE RINGER'S DEATH.****MR. TOM WALLIS'S DEVOTED SERVICES.**

A tragic incident put an end to the outing of the Edenbridge ringers, as briefly recorded last week. The party had left home in the afternoon to make a tour through Chiddingstone, Penshurst, Speldhurst and Tonbridge, and among the band was Mr. Thomas Wallis, who has been connected with the church practically all his life, and has been a ringer for 40 years. At Chiddingstone a short touch of Stedman Triples was attempted, but after a course had been rung, Mr. Wallis, who was ringing the 6th, asked the conductor to stop. The bells were immediately set, and the ringers went to Mr. Wallis's assistance, he being in a state of collapse. He was conveyed down the stone staircase to the church entrance, where he was placed in a chair. He was obviously suffering from a bad heart attack, and although all that was possible was done for him, Mr. Wallis passed away in about ten minutes.

Dr. Pennell, who had been summoned by telephone, could only pronounce life extinct on his arrival. The police were communicated with, but as Dr. Pennell had been attending Mr. Wallis for some time for heart trouble an inquest was not deemed necessary. An ambulance was obtained, and the body was conveyed home by his sorrowing brother ringers. The news soon spread, and general sympathy has been expressed in the town.

Mr. Wallis, who was 60 years of age, and who leaves a wife and one daughter, was the eldest son of the late Mr. Thos. Wallis, and had resided in Edenbridge all his life. He joined the church choir in 1875, and remained a member up till the time of his death. From his early days he loved voluntary work, and when quite young carried out repairs to the organ and the old peal of six bells. The wooden frame often required attention, and only a few ever knew the amount of time and labour he spent in the church. Without doubt, says a local newspaper, he was the most popular figure in the town.

**FORTY YEARS A RINGER.**

He had been a bell ringer some 40 years, and was ever ready to assist at any school frolics, and any indoor entertainments. He was responsible for the stage work and decorations at jumble sales for charity.

An accomplished bell ringer and a well-known and popular member of the Kent County Association, his loss will be felt by many ringers in the county. He was a most genial companion, and always extended hospitality to brother ringers who came from a distance, being a general favourite with all. As recently as February 28th he took part in a peal of Stedman Triples, on the occasion of the Royal Wedding, and the local band would have tried for a peal on his 60th birthday on June 17th, but his health would not permit. Only on the Wednesday in the previous week he accepted the invitation to join the Westerham ringers on their outing. He took part in about 25 peals, chiefly Stedman Triples and Treble Bob Major. In 1896, when two new bells were added at Edenbridge Church, making a peal of eight, he took a keen and active interest in the work entailed by the additions, being on the committee. His general knowledge was of great value, but being of a retiring disposition no one knew the extent of this work.

On Sunday morning his brother ringers rang with the bells half-muffled 504 Stedman Triples and 336 Grandsire Triples, and for evening service 518 Grandsire and 336 Stedman, and one could scarcely realise how difficult was the task on this sorrowful occasion.

Mr. Wallis was passionately fond of music, being nearly all his life a member of the Town Band, and playing with them on the Thursday previous to his death. He was also a member of the String Band, being an accomplished violin player, and many young people have been instructed by him.

For many years he carried out the duties of hon. secretary of the local Conservative Association, and at the time of his death he was secretary of the local Court of Foresters.

**A FAITHFUL SERVANT OF THE CHURCH.**

On the Sunday morning the Vicar (the Rev. H. O. Edwards), in the course of his sermon, said: Yesterday afternoon there passed beyond the veil to higher service one well known to all of us who worshipped regularly in this church. I refer to Tom Wallis. There is no figure in this church and parish who will be more missed, and our feelings as we see his vacant seat bear eloquent testimony to the place he had made for himself among us. From childhood he had been a member of our choir, and one of its most faithful and regular members, very seldom being absent from his place on Sunday mornings or evenings or special week-days. He was a member of our Parochial Church Council, and local Branch of C.E.M.S., and one of our most accomplished ringers, and devoted to our beautiful peal, and it seems fitting that it was while he was on a ringing tour that he should be called. The end came quite suddenly just after he had finished ringing a peal in Chiddingstone Parish Church side by side with his friends and fellow-ringers of this parish. He loved his Church. He loved serving her, and his end came in the House of God, where so many hours of faithful service had been passed. Cannot we think that he would have wished it so? What-

ever work he undertook, whether it was in connection with the choir, the belfry, or any charitable organisation, he did it thoroughly and cheerfully, and could always be depended upon to be at his post, and we cannot but be poorer for the loss of so steadfast and upright a life. He has left behind him near and dear ones to mourn their loss, and I know that to them the deep sympathy of all is going out. Let us pray that God may give them the strength and faith to bear their heavy cross, and for him who has passed out of our sight that he may rest in peace and hope and rise in glory.—Appropriate hymns were sung.

The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 5th, amid manifold tokens of respect, business being almost entirely suspended and blinds drawn en route. The bearers were members of the Town Band and the bell ringers, and the whole of the Town Band were present in uniform. Among the family mourners were Mrs. and Miss Wallis (widow and daughter), Mr. and Mrs. E. Wallis, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wallis, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. A. Wilson, Mr. W. Wallis (uncle), M. J. Wallis, Mr. and Mrs. P. Smith (Oxted), Mr. T. Wallis (nephew). Others present included: Count Riccardi Cubitt, Mr. F. Playfoot and Mr. W. S. Fox (churchwardens), Mr. T. Cooling, Mr. W. Ashby, Mr. A. Grundwall, etc. (members of the Church Council), Capt. J. N. Prior, Co-Sergt-Major F. White (representing 'C' Co., 4th Battalion Royal West Kent Regiment), Mr. J. W. Baddiley, Mr. A. Martin, Mr. J. Hooker, Mr. W. Knight, Mr. T. Martin, Mr. E. Sparrowhawk, Mr. R. Marchant, and representatives of the local Court of Foresters, Rev. D. Smith, Mr. C. Cheal, Mr. W. Taylor, Mr. H. Cheal, Mr. A. H. Barrett, Mr. W. Mitchell, Mr. S. Sparrowhawk, Mr. A. Lewis (Westerham), Mr. Bull (Brasted), Mr. T. Groombridge (Chislehurst), hon. secretary Lewis-ham District Kent County Association.

On arrival at the lych-gate the cortege was met by the Vicar and full choir, and on entering the church the organist (Mr. W. L. Weaver) played 'O Rest in the Lord,' and at the conclusion the Dead March in 'Saul.' The choir sang a favourite hymn, 'There is a blessed home.' At the graveside the choir sang the hymn, 'Jesus, Lover of my soul,' and the band, conducted by Mr. W. Weaver, played a favourite air of Sullivan.

Immediately after the service, 1,000 Stedman Triples were rung with the bells half-muffled, and in the evening the whole pull and stand was effectively rung by the local band, and short touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples concluded the mournful ceremony.

Floral tributes were sent by his sorrowing wife and daughter; Ned, Lou and family; all at Lingfield Road; Lizzie and Agnes; Fred, Mary and the boy; George, Kitty and Flossie; Cousins at Oxted; Edenbridge Church Choir; Edenbridge Trade; Church of England Men's Society; Edenbridge Unionist Association; Rev. and Mrs. H. O. Edwards; Lady Rogers; Colonel and Hon. Mrs. Spender-Clay; Edenbridge Town Band; Edenbridge and Haver Bell Ringers; St. Mary's, Westerham, Ringers; 'C' Co., 4th Royal West Kent Regiment; Mr. and Mrs. A. Martin; John Stupples; Mr. and Mrs. Cloke; Mr. H. G. and Miss Whitehead; Mrs. Ray; Miss Ellis; Mr. J. L. West; Mrs. Kingsland; Mr. and Mrs. Rowe; Mr. and Mrs. Gateland; Mr. and Mrs. E. Sparrowhawk; Mrs. Seymour and Mrs. Bishop.

**DEVONSHIRE RINGERS' OUTING.**

The ringers of St. Michael's Church, Chagford, held their annual outing with Messrs. Aggett, Widecombe-in-the-Moor, where there is a nice peal of six, hung some years ago by Messrs. Aggett, and which go splendidly, was first visited, and the party went on to Buckfast Abbey, where, after an inspection, the grand peal of twelve bells were set going for an hour, some excellent ringing being accomplished. This fine peal were also hung by Messrs. Aggett, and the 'go' is all that can be desired. Leaving Buckfast, the party steered for Dartington, not a great distance from Totnes. Here the peal of six was set in motion, and with the exercise of some strength, the visitors managed to achieve good touches. Going on to Paignton a stop was made at Dellers' Cafe, where ducks and green peas were attacked. The next move was to Cockington, a light peal of six, where the visitors were met by their late Rector, the Rev. Studdy, who showed them the tower, and Grandsire Doubles were rung, the bells being lowered after an hour and a half's good ringing. The party were then kindly entertained to tea by the Rector and Mrs. Studdy. After thanking the hosts and visiting the grounds, the ringers returned to Torquay, where a most enjoyable evening was spent, a move for home being made at 10 p.m. The ringers wish to thank all those whose kindness, goodwill and hospitality enabled them to spend such an enjoyable day.

**HEREFORD GUILD.**

A very successful combined practice was held at Leominster on Sept. 9th, when members were present from the Hereford, Leominster and Presteign, Bromyard and Ludlow districts. The methods consisted of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Grandsire Caters. Of the latter, two excellent touches were brought round, viz., 352 and 560, those taking part being Messrs. C. Edwards, P. Lane, D. Watkins, A. Talbot, A. Tomkins, I. and A. Probert, H. Symonds, W. S. Evans, J. Preere, F. Arrowsmith, — Cook (Cardiff), and A. R. Elkins (Tring).



**SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.**

**MILTON, NORTHANTS.**—On Feast Sunday, Sept. 17th, for evening service, at the Church of the Holy Cross, 1,440 Grandsire Doubles, in 55 mins.: A. Turner 1, C. Yates 2, R. Asplin 3, J. Townsend (conductor) 4, P. Asplin 5. All local band. Longest touch on the bells.

**EXETER.**—At St. Sidwell's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 17th, 1,299 Stedman Caters: E. Shepherd (conductor) 1, W. Howe 2, W. Drake 3, C. Carter 4, T. Bartlett 5, E. Sargent 6, J. Moss 7, F. Murphy 8, W. Richardson 9, A. Monkley 10.

**PORTSEA, HAMPSHIRE.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, for evensong, at St. Mary, 1,260 Stedman Triples, in 47 mins.: J. J. Symonds 1, J. D. Harris 2, C. Groves 3, T. R. Taylor 4, W. Tate 5, R. J. Stone 6, F. W. Rogers (conductor) 7, H. Brasher (London) 8. This is an Odd and Even Bob composition by J. Carter.

**SANDHURST, BERKS.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, for morning service, 720 London Surprise Minor: C. Barlow 1, G. Riches 2, C. Doe 3, E. Barlow 4, G. Englefield 5, J. Moth (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 360 York Surprise Minor, standing as above.

**HEMEL HEMPSTEAD.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 17th, 504 Grandsire Triples, for morning service: R. Walker 1, H. Goodenough (St. Albans) 2, H. Golding (conductor) 3, H. Gates 4, J. Floyd 5, W. Shephard 6, W. Floyd 7, E. Lee 8.—For evening service, 336 Bob Major: R. Walker 1, C. H. Horton (London) 2, H. Goodenough 3, H. Gates 4, J. Floyd 5, W. Shephard 6, W. Floyd 7, H. Golding (conductor) 8.

**EDGBASTON.**—At the Old Church, for Sunday morning service, Sept. 17th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 22 mins.: E. Rose 1, W. Cartwright 2, C. Simpkins 3, H. Withers (conductor) 4, G. Pigott 5, P. Laffin 6. The ringers of the treble and third hail from Harborne, and this was their first 720 Kent Minor.

**NEWPORT, MON.**—At the Church of All Saints, on Sunday, Sept. 17th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): A. E. Morgan 1, T. Ford 2, J. W. Jones 3, F. Chapman 4, H. Morgan 5, C. Greedy 6, F. Morgan (conductor) 7, H. Forbes 8. Rung half-muffled on the occasion of the unveiling and dedication of a beautiful stained glass window by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese (Dr. Green), in memory of the Rev. William Munro Munro, first Vicar of this parish.

**LONDON.**—At St. Michael's, Cornhill, City, on Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,313 changes), on the back ten: Edwin Horrex 1, F. I. Hairs 2, W. H. Hewett (conductor) 3, W. E. Nudds 4, W. A. Alps 5, J. A. Trollope 6, F. G. Newman 7, C. W. Grimwood 8, E. Brett 9, H. Langdon 10 (40 cwt.).

**SHREWSBURY.**—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, at St. Chad's Church, 168 Stedman Triples: and for evensong, 207 Stedman Caters: A. Boylin 1, J. Griffiths 2, A. Jones 3, J. E. Lilley 4, R. Pole 5, D. J. Boucher 6, T. Prichard 7, W. Fairhead 8, C. R. Lilley 9, J. Evans 10.

**PRESTON, LANCS.**—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evensong, 1,280 Double Norwich: J. Bimson 1, F. D. Smith 2, B. A. Knights (conductor) 3, F. Harwood 4, E. R. Martin 5, A. P. Knights 6, R. Sanderson 7, E. Armstrong 8.

**WITNEY, OXON.**—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evening service, at the Church of St. Mary, 336 Grandsire Triples: H. Bull 1, L. Olliffe 2, E. Brown 3, T. Bull 4, G. Brooks 5, H. Brooks 6, J. Monk (conductor) 7, G. Harris 8.

**ROYSTON, HERTS.**—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Gilbert 1, W. B. Manning 2, W. L. Darlow 3, S. Reed 4, C. S. Gouldthorpe 5, R. G. King (conductor) 6.

**LAVERHAM.**—St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association.—On Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: F. Turner 1, M. Symonds 2, L. Poulson 3, S. Smith 4, S. H. Symonds (conductor) 5, F. Salter (Thetford) first attempt in the method, 6, F. Poulson 7, J. Poulson 8.—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, 504 Stedman Triples, for evening service: F. Turner 1, M. Symonds 2, A. Symonds 3, F. Poulson 4, S. H. Symonds (conductor) 5, W. W. J. Roper 6, W. Fayers 7, J. Poulson 8.

**WATFORD, HERTS.**—On Sunday evening, Sept. 10th, for service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 54 mins.: S. Hoare 1, W. E. Oakley 2, G. Seaman 3, E. M. Elliott 4, W. Norris 5, W. Hewitt 6, F. Edwards (conductor) 7, H. J. Wise 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to the late Mr. W. E. Moore, churchwarden for several years.

**LEICESTER.**—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for morning service, at St. Margaret's, 506 Grandsire Cinques: T. Bent 1, F. Sharman 2, E. Morris (conductor) 3, C. Cattell 4, A. Ballard 5, E. Whitehead 6, E. E. Smith 7, H. Peach 8, J. Morris 9, H. Lock 10, A. Cattell 11, J. Vernon 12. Longest touch in the method by all except conductor.

**MORRISTON, GLAM.**—At St. John's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evening service, 510 Grandsire Doubles: L. Pearyel 1, A. Sluman 2, Geo. Lewis 3, J. T. Williams 4, J. Williams (conductor) 5, Gwyn Williams (longest touch) 6.

**RATBY.**—At St. Philip and St. James' Church, on Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for morning service, 720 Oxford Bob Minor: C. Priestnall 1, V. Wade 2, W. Ball 3, P. Ingram 4, T. Chantrell 5, C. Allsop (conductor) 6. The first 720 on the bells by a local band.

**COMBE MARTIN BELLS.**  
**DEVON'S NEW PEAL OF EIGHT.**

On Saturday afternoon, Ilfracombe Parish Church ringers paid a visit to Combe Martin Parish Church, where there is a fine new peal of eight bells. Mr. E. J. Harding, of Portsmouth, who, with his son, was on a visit to his native place, joined the visitors, and they were met at the church by Mr. J. G. Sanders and Mr. A. H. Hayward, of the local company. Ringing commenced with a 350 Grandsire Triples by G. Bowen 1, R. Dadds 2, F. J. Reed 3, E. J. Harding, jun., 4, A. H. Hayward (conductor) 5, E. J. Harding, senr., 6, J. Richards 7, W. Slocombe 8.

Following this a well-struck quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 50 mins., by G. Bowen 1, R. Dadds 2, F. J. Reed 3, A. H. Hayward 4, E. J. Harding 5, E. J. Harding, senr. (conductor), 6, J. Richards 7, W. Slocombe 8. This is the first quarter-peal rung on the bells since they were recast from six into eight, and rehung with all modern improvements by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

Afterwards round ringing was indulged in, Mr. J. G. S. Sanders, one of the oldest local ringers, and Mr. S. J. Harding, of Berry-harbour, father and grandfather of the two Portsmouth visitors, taking part. Two fathers, two sons and one grandson thus rang together.

Before lowering the bells another 350 Grandsire Triples was rung by the same band, conducted by F. J. Reed.

After the bells had been lowered a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells by J. G. Sanders 1, R. Dadds 2, E. J. Harding 3-4, E. J. Harding, senr., 5-6, A. H. Hayward 7-8. It is interesting to note that Mr. Sanders has only taken up change ringing within the last twelve months, and great credit is due to him for the manner in which he has grasped the art. The young band, at present being instructed by Mr. A. F. Hayward, rang their first 120 on tower bells on Thursday evening, August 31st.

Before parting, Mr. Harding and his son entertained the band to tunes on handbells. The visiting ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Rev. R. Seymour for the use of the bells, and they highly praised the tone and 'go' of the new peal.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**

The quarterly meeting of the Bristol Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association was held at Marshfield on Saturday, September 2nd, a good number of ringers being present, including Messrs. T. F. King and H. W. Brown, of Bath. Touches of Grandsire and Plain Bob was rung before service, which was held at 4.30, the Rev. L. O. Asplin officiating, and the Rev. T. C. Fowler (vice-president) reading the lesson.

Mr. W. Lewis kindly made arrangements for tea at his residence, and the business meeting followed.—The Rev. T. C. Fowler accepted the invitation of Mr. H. T. Howell (Master) to take the chair.

Two new members were elected (Messrs. R. C. Seagen and A. E. Parker).—The next meetings were arranged as follows: Dyrham on September 30th; Henbury, October 21st; Almondsbury, Nov. 25th; Brislington, Dec. 16th; and the annual meeting of the branch at Christ Church, City, on Saturday, January 29th, 1923.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells and officiating at the service, to the Rev. T. C. Fowler for taking the chair; also the organist and organ blower; and to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis for arranging tea. The tower was again visited, and further good practice on the bells ended a very pleasant meeting.

**EXHALL RINGERS' SUPPER.**  
**PRESENTATION TO INSTRUCTOR.**

On Thursday evening, Sept. 14th, the St. Giles' Society of Exhall held their first supper and concert at the Bell Inn, Exhall. The venture proved very successful and enjoyable, about 30 members and friends being present.

During an interval the president (the Rev. Frank Melville, M.A.) made a presentation, consisting of a valuable pipe and pouch, to Mr. J. H. White, of Coventry. The gift was from the ringers, who thought the present would remind Mr. White of the many happy hours he had spent amongst them, instructing the newly-formed band.—Mr. White suitably replied, and said the gift came as a great surprise, as he was always ready to give a helping hand.

The rest of the evening was spent in harmony, the artists being E. Bircher (pianist), Bros. Dick and Harry Clarke (entertainers on the banjo, etc.), G. Bates (mandoline), Mr. J. Dewis and Mr. Rathbone.

**RINGER'S DAUGHTER MARRIED.**

A pretty wedding took place on Sept. 16th, at the Parish Church, Rayne, when the daughter of Mr. H. Redgwell was married to Mr. Frank Pauley, of Bocking. In honour of the occasion the Stebbing company of ringers, assisted by Mr. A. Shuffelbotham, of Braintree, rang the following 720's: Plain Bob, Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob.

**Q-SET PRINCIPLES IN METHOD CONSTRUCTION.**

A letter upon this subject from Mr. A. York Bramble is unavoidably held over.

## NOTICES.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames St., on Sept. 28th, at 7.30 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The September meeting of the above will be held on Saturday, the 23rd, at St. Mark's Church, Bath. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.15, followed by tea at 5 o'clock.—Edith Smith, 23, Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The First Annual Commemoration Dinner, to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Association, will be held at the Griffin Hotel, Boar Lane, Leeds, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, at 6 p.m. The bells at Headingley (8), Far Headingley (8) and Christ Church, Upper Armley (8), will be available from 2 to 5 p.m. Will intending visitors desirous of ringing kindly notify me so that arrangements can be made for their reception at the various towers? Tickets, 5s. 6d. each, can be obtained from P. J. Johnson, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds. All ringers welcome.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Thurcaston and Anstey, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea and meeting at Anstey.—H. E. Norman, 52, Ivy Road, Leicester.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Burnham, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Cogenhoe on Saturday, Sept. 23rd.—S. J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Rd., Northampton.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at All Hallows', Tottenham, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 5, with address by the Rev. F. R. Bonsey, President of the Association. Tea at a charge of about 1/3 at 5.30, followed by business meeting. All who require tea please advise me early. I shall be glad to receive all outstanding subscriptions for 1922.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at West Grinstead on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Tower open from 2.30. Tea at The Burrell Arms at 5 o'clock.—A. W. Groves, 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—A Quarterly meeting of the South Western Division will be held at Orsett on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells (6) ready 2.30 p.m. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea at Whitmore Arms Hotel, 1/3 each; meeting to follow. Nearest station Grays. Bus to Orsett every hour.—W. H. Theobald, Hon. Dist. Sec., 49, Portway, E.15.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-East Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Bickleigh (6) on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available at 2.30. Service at 4.45, preacher, Rev. J. F. Shaw, Vicar of Thorverton. Tea at 5.15 in the School at 1/- each.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Branch Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**HALLATON, LEICESTER.**—The six new bells will be dedicated by the Archdeacon of Leicester on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, at 3 p.m. Visiting ringers will be welcome.—E. Morris, 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Norwood Green on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, by permission of the Vicar (Rev. Thomas Parker). Ringing from 3.15.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Northamptonshire Branch.—A meeting will be held at Peterborough on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Ringing at St. Mary's and St. Augustine's, Woodston, also at the Cathedral if permission can be obtained. Service at 4 o'clock at St. Augustine's. Tea will be provided at 5 o'clock in Park Road Co-operative Hall. All gentlemen are cordially invited, this being the first ladies' meeting to be held in the Peterborough district.—Cecil Hepburn, Hon. Sec., Isham, near Kettering.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Cotgrave on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. Motor bus leaves Midland station 2.20 prompt.—T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Southwold District.—A practice meeting will be held at Wrentham on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available 2.30. All ringers welcome.—F. W. Naunton, Hon. District Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; Bishopsgate, Sept. 25th; Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m. Quarterly general meeting, October 2nd, 6.30 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Pirbright on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, tea and meeting to follow. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify me by Wednesday, Sept. 27th?—G. Miles, Hon. Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Market Deeping on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Tea will be provided at the Imperial Café at 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me by Sept. 25th.—S. Proctor, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—Annual meeting at Kinver on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available 3.30. Service 4.30. After service, tea and business meeting. Gentlemen invited. All names to be sent in not later than Tuesday, Sept. 26th, to Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northern Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Gainsborough (8) on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available at 2.30. Service at 4 o'clock, preacher, Rev. H. T. Parry, of Bigby. Tea at 5 p.m. in Messrs. Marshall's canteen. Will those requiring tea please notify me by the previous Tuesday?—H. L. Pask, Hon. Sec., 28, The Strait, Lincoln.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Preston on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Further particulars by circular.—W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Hon. Secs.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The next quarterly meeting will be on Saturday, Sept. 30th, at Wigston. The bells (two rings of 8) will be available at 3 o'clock. Committee meet at 4.30. Tea will be at 5.30, followed by general meeting, in the Church School, Wigston Magna. Will those requiring tea, which will be provided at a moderate charge, kindly advise Mr. W. H. Humberstone, 56, Burgess Street, Wigston Magna, Leicester, not later than Thursday, the 28th?—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Heckfield on Saturday, Sept. 30th (visiting Sherfield en route). Tower open after tea. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30. Visit Rotherwick at about 6.30. Sixpence per head will be allowed towards the cost of tea to all members informing me not later than Saturday, Sept. 23rd.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dist. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

**GREASLEY.**—Preliminary Notice.—The new peal at St. Mary's, Greasley, will be available for ringing on Saturday, September 30th, from 2.30 to 9 p.m. Tea at 4.30. Will those who require tea please notify J. E. Hobbs, Watnall, Notts, by Sept. 28th? All ringers are cordially invited.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Isham, near Kettering, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. All desiring tea please notify Miss Hepburn, The Pines, Isham.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 17, Wellington, Road, Enfield.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Ely.—A meeting will be held at Trumpington on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells (5) available afternoon and evening. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting. Those who require tea should inform me not later than 26th Sept.—A. E. Austin, 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Wrington on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock and business meeting to follow.—Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Lowick on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—J. Nickerson, Dis. Sec., Halford St., Thrapston.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Conisborough on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells (8) ready early. Tea provided for those who notify me before the 26th. A good attendance of members is desired, there being some important business to discuss. A hearty welcome to members of other Societies.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Gloucester Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Barnwood on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Business: Annual report and election of officers. Bells (8) from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea in schoolroom 5 o'clock. Trams from the Cross every 10 minutes. Visitors welcome, but if requiring tea must notify the Secretary by Sept. 26th.—Capt. A. A. Bennett, Hon. Sec., Newton House, London Road, Gloucester.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Dyrham on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea to follow, please notify by Sept. 25th.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at West Malling on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available at 3 p.m. A short service at 5 o'clock. Business meeting after the service.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Sec., Lower St., East Farleigh.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Grappenhall Branch.—The next Branch meeting will be held at Stretton on Saturday, Sept. 30th, commencing at 3.30 p.m. Will members intending to be present kindly advise me not later than the 26th inst.?—Jno. E. Ashcroft, Hon. Sec.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The next Monthly meeting will be held on Sept. 30th, at Idle. Peal attempt 2.30 p.m. Business meeting 7 p.m.—Charles E. Lawson, Hon. Sec., 10, Leather Street, Leeds.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Reading Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Shiplake, Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells from 2 o'clock. Tea 4.45. Visitors the guests of the Vicar. Short service 6 o'clock, all ringers welcomed.—F. W. Hopgood, Hon. Sec., 75, Kensington Road, Reading.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—The next meeting will be held at Wooton, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. If possible it is hoped that all members will try and attend.—H. L. Harlow, District Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTON ASSOCIATION.**—Guilsborough District.—A Special meeting will be held at Watford, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Will those requiring tea please notify me not later than 24th?—W. Bott, Hon. Sec., Guilsborough, Northants.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—The Autumn meeting will be held as usual at Royston, on Saturday, 30th September. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Ringers heartily welcomed.—F. R. Bacon, Sec., Hitchin.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Beccles District.—A District practice meeting will be held at Bungay on Saturday, September 30th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. All ringers welcome.—R. J. Goate, District Secretary.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual General meeting will be held in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, Ipswich, on Wednesday, October 4th, at 2.30 p.m. The President, the Dean of Norwich, in the chair. The ring of bells at St. Mary-le-Tower (12), St. Margaret's (8), St. Clement's (6), St. Matthew's (5), St. Lawrence (5), will be open for the use of members throughout the day, excepting during the time of Divine service. Divine service will be conducted by the Dean of Norwich in the church of St. Mary-le-Tower at 12.30 p.m. The preacher, the Venerable A. R. Buckland, M.A., Archdeacon of Norfolk. The president and committee earnestly hope that all the members attending the annual meeting of the Association will be present at the service. Dinner will be served in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, at 1.30 p.m.; tickets 2s. 6d. each. Those who intend to be present at the dinner must



without fail notify the General Secretary on or before Saturday, September 30th. Committee meeting will be held at 11.15 a.m. in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street. Members, District Secretaries and leaders of Companies are particularly requested to remit to the General Secretary all outstanding subscriptions, on or before September 30th.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Sec. and Treasurer, High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Wath on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells available at 2 p.m. Tea provided at the Church House at 5.30 for those who notify A. Panther, 25, Sandymount Road, not later than 3rd Oct., at 1/6 per head.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at Westerham, on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea at 1/1 per head after service, followed by business meeting. Members requiring tea must notify the District Sec. not later than Tuesday, Oct. 3rd.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Sittingbourne on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5, conducted by the Rev. M. Allen. Tea provided by the Association, at Cremer's Restaurant, High Street, and business meeting to follow. Tea will only be provided for those who notify me by first post, October 4th. Tunstall (6) will be open after the meeting.—Fred M. Mitchell, Dis. Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Westbury, on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells (8) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.40. Tea at 5. Business meeting directly after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, on Saturday, Oct. 7th, 1922. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting, 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road.

**HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.**—If ringers visiting Sheffield for the Church Congress, Oct. 7th to 14th, and wishing to ring on the Handsworth Church bells, will apply to me as early as possible, the necessary arrangements can be made.—F. Watkinson, Hall Road, Handsworth, Sheffield.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—The next meeting will be held at Great Bardfield on Oct. 7th. Service, 4 o'clock, with address, followed by tea at moderate charge. Kindly let me know not later than October 2nd.—Bert Redgwell, Hudson's Hill, Wethersfield, near Braintree.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

SET OF 51 HANDBELLS, Chromatic Scale, F.26 to G.04, in good condition.—Price £25.—Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Stockport.

#### SITUATIONS WANTED.

**CHANGE RINGER** requires Situation. Any position of trust. Excellent references. Available at once, London or suburbs preferred. Small pension from H.M. Household.—H. Dyas, 185, East Street Buildings, Baker Street, W.1.

Situation wanted as **FITTER**, good all round experience. Standard methods, any number.—L. W. Wiffen, Melrose House, Williams Avenue, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'**AMONG THE BELLS.**'—**THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A.,** Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers 1. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

'**GRANDSIRE DOUBLES & TRIPLES SIMPLY EXPLAINED.**'—Intended for Beginners and for those who find the ordinary books of instruction too technical. Price 6d., post free 6½d.; 5/9 a doz., post free, from I. Roe and M. Broome, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath.

**BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.**—On Thursday, August 31st, at St. Michael's Church, 1,579 Stedman Caters: H. J. Tucker 1, F. Bird 2, W. T. Prior 3, W. Prior 4, H. Dew 5, T. Jordan 6, F. J. Pitstow 7, T. J. Watts 8, F. Dench (conductor) 9, W. Ayre 10.

## ALFRED BOWELL, CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
COVENTRY.



**CHURCH BELLS.**

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. AGGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowden Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 160 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½in. 2¾in. 3½in. 3¾in. 4in. 4½in. 5in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 78/- 98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-Hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast. New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make. Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

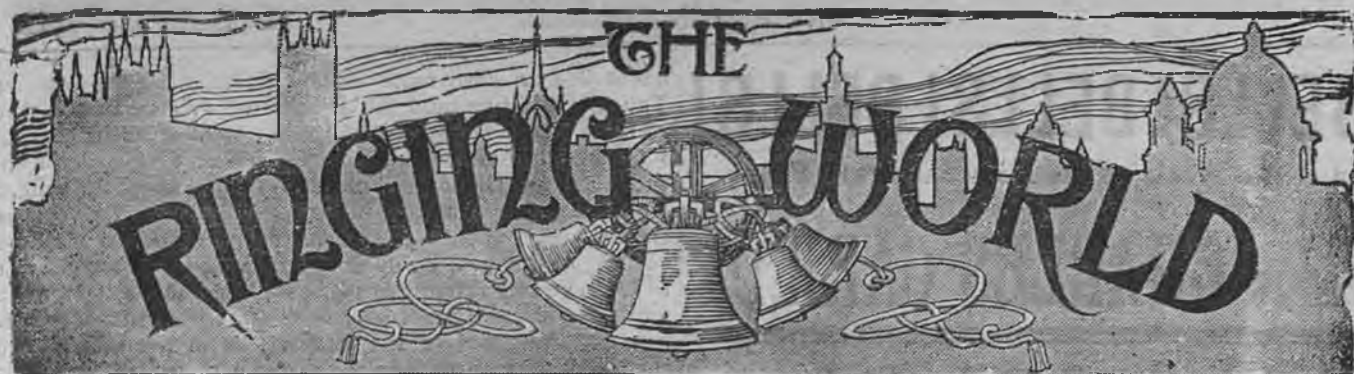
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 30/-, Silver 7/6

Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER, Goldsmith and Jeweller,**  
WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guildford, and Published by The Roll House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 602. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29th, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### ILL-INFORMED CRITICISM.

Much of the criticism to which bells and ringing are subjected by the public is ill-informed, but happily one seldom finds such misleading statements made by a person in an official position in the Church, as that reported to have been made by Prebendary Farrer, at a meeting last week of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Board of Finance. In another column we quote the statement attributed to him, and have no hesitation whatever in saying that in almost every particular Prebendary Farrer is wrong. It would be interesting, therefore, to know upon what he bases his sweeping assertion. In the first place, to attribute the cause of churches falling into disrepair to the bells is ludicrous. If, in some isolated instances, the towers have shown signs of dilapidation and the cause has been traced to the bells, it is because the responsible church officials have neglected their duty and, instead of maintaining the bell frames, have allowed them to decay and thus to damage the walls, or, if they have been attended to, have left them to some inexperienced carpenter or blacksmith, who has probably inserted wedges. We know of no case where, when a reputable firm of bell hangers have been called in, their work has caused the fabric of the tower, much less that of the church, to fall into disrepair.

But stranger still is the statement that towers were only built to hold four or five bells, and that church authorities who want to augment their peals do not go to an architect, but to a bell hanger, who crams in as many bells as he can without regard for the building. One only needs to apply common sense to the history of the development of bells to know that the six, eight, ten or twelve bells of to-day, hung with scientific precision, are a totally different proposition to the old four or five heavy and rudely hung bells of centuries ago; and further, we doubt if Prebendary Farrer can quote a single instance of an important addition to the bells at any church in his diocese in the last fifty years where expert opinion has not been called in when there was any doubt as to the stability of the tower.

The one example which Prebendary Farrer quotes—apparently in general support of his accusation—is an unfortunate one for him. He says: 'There is one church in this diocese that has ten bells already and they want twelve. Really there ought to be some moderation. Church towers ought not to be expected to stand a strain for which they were never built.' The only tower in the diocese of Bath and Wells where 12 bells were contemplated was Taunton, and Taunton not merely 'wants' twelve, but has already got them. Moreover, there has

(Continued on page 610.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway),

Late 135, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

never been a case more closely investigated as was this Taunton addition, and the Diocesan Advisory Board, who were at first against the proposal, were eventually convinced of the safety of the scheme, which also had the approval of the Diocesan architect. The original ten bells at Taunton weigh approximately six and a half tons, the two new trebles weigh about twelve cwt., but the modern methods of hanging the peal by slightly 'tucking up' some of the bells, have more than compensated for the extra weight, while the tower has actually been strengthened by the new frame. The proof of the pudding is in the eating, and there is less movement in the tower with the twelve bells ringing than there was when there was only ten.

The 'moderation' for which Prebendary Farrer appeals should really be exercised by officials speaking in public. Their words carry far, and in this case the statement has gained widespread publicity through the county and London press. It is not easy to scotch an impression thus created, and it may do great harm. We hope Prebendary Farrer's attention will be called to the error of his statement, and suggest that here is a case where the Towers and Belfries Committee of the Central Council might step in, so that Prebendary Farrer and all associated with the management of the diocese of Bath and Wells, may be made acquainted with the real facts.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(BRISTOL BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, Sept. 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATER, 5057 CHANGES;**

Tenor 28 cwt.

RICHARD CHAMMINGS ... .. Treble	* WILLIAM HUNTER ... .. 6
HENRY J. WAY ... .. 2	ALFRED PEARCE ... .. 7
EDGAR GUISE ... .. 3	GEORGE CONDLICK, SEN. ... .. 8
EDWIN J. BROWN ... .. 4	JOHN A. BURFORD ... .. 9
GILBERT PEARCE ... .. 5	WILLIAM ABRAHAM ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by EDGAR GUISE.

\* First peal on ten bells.

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Sept. 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATER, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ALFRED CHAPMAN ... .. Treble	ROBERT MAYNARD, JUN. ... .. 6
HENRY RUMENS ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. FREEMAN ... .. 7
JAMES C. ADAMS ... .. 3	HENRY J. MAYNARD ... .. 8
JOHN H. WILKINS ... .. 4	FRED C. MAYNARD ... .. 9
FREDERICK G. NEWMAN ... .. 5	ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ROBT. MAYNARD, JUN.

Rung as a birthday peal to R. Maynard, sen. The composition is Peal No. 56, C.C. Collection.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

KENNINGHALL, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb.

FREDERICK BORRETT ... .. Treble	CHARLES CUTTING ... .. 5
CHARLES BAKER ... .. 2	JAMES BOUGHTON ... .. 6
ALFRED BERRY ... .. 3	FREDERICK SALTER ... .. 7
JOHN CUNNINGHAM ... .. 4	HERBERT PIERCY ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. NEWSON.

Conducted by F. BORRETT.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
Tenor 11½ cwt.

JAMES SHAW... .. Treble	JONATHAN WHEWELL ... 5
ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH... 2	*RUSHION GRIMSHAW... .. 6
ELLEN SHAW ... .. 3	WILLIAM BARNES ... .. 7
WILLIAM RILEY ... .. 4	JAMES HOULDSWORTH ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by J. SHAW.  
\* First peal of Treble Bob. First peal as conductor. This composition is number 227 in Mr. Arthur Knight's collection.

## BROMLEY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Sept. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER and PAUL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 19½ cwt.

GEORGE DURLING ... .. Treble	ERNEST B. CROWDER ... .. 5
PERCY J. SPICE ... .. 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... .. 6
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 3	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 7
JAMES E. COOPER ... .. 4	EDMUND MOUNTIER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

## WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Sept. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr.

GEORGE T. PEGNELL ... .. Treble	FRANK R. COPEMAN ... .. 5
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 6
FRANK H. DAVEY ... .. 3	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... .. 7
CHARLES E. BORRETT... .. 4	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. Tenor

Composed by ROBERT HARDY. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Mr. George H. Daynes was elected a member of the Association prior to starting the peal. First peal in the method on an 'inside' bell by the ringer of the 3rd.

## CHATHAM, KENT.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS  
AND KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
Tenor 25 cwt.

SIDNEY ANSTREAD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 5
EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... 2	HERBERT ADDSLEY ... .. 6
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 3	FREDERICK RICHARDSON ... 7
HERBERT HOLDEN ... .. 4	CLR.-SGT. JAMES BENNETT Tenor

Composed and Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

## MARSHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb.

CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. Treble	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 5
WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 2	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... 6
GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 3	GEORGE MAYERS... .. 7
FRANK H. DAVEY... .. 4	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

## HAGLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Sept. 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
Tenor 9 cwt.

*WILLIAM GIBBS... .. Treble	WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT 5
WILLIAM SHORT... .. 2	*JOSEPH DAVIES ... .. 6
JOHN BASS ... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.  
\* First peal of Cambridge.

## HADLEIGH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER  
SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, Sept. 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 28 cwt.

H. CHARLES GILLINGHAM ... Treble	WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... 5
WILLIAM TILLET ... .. 2	FREDERICK J. TILLET ... 6
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... .. 3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... 7
CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 4	CHARLES WOODCOCK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

The ringers wish to thank Dean Carter for granting permission, also Mr. Thomas Read for having everything ready. He kindly stood down to allow C. Woodcock to ring the tenor.

## COGGESHALL, ESSEX.

THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of St. PETER-AD-VINCULA,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;  
Tenor 19½ cwt.

JAMES FLEURY ... .. Treble	FRANK CLAYDON ... .. 5
P.S. FREDK. REDGEWELL ... 2	WILLIAM ELLIOTT ... .. 6
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM... 3	WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. 7
CYRIL PEASE ... .. 4	ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK PITSTOW. Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

First peal in the method by ringers of the 2nd and 4th and by the Association. The conductor has now rung every bell in the tower to a peal, which is the 4th eight-bell tower he has accomplished this in. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. Sadler, who attained the age of 69 on Sept. 18th and 22nd respectively.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(St. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Sept. 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF SUFFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. Treble	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 5
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 6
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 3	ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 7
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

## EOKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY)

On Saturday, Sept. 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER and PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5216 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

*ALFRED MARKWELL ... .. Treble	†PERCY JERVIS ... .. 5
†BERNARD DITCHER ... .. 2	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 6
†ALFRED TOMLINSON ... .. 3	WILLIAM BIGGIN ... .. 7
WILLIAM T. PALMER ... .. 4	A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method.

## NORTH MYMMS, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
Tenor 13 cwt.

*RALPH SHEPHERD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM NASH ... .. 5
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	JOHN T. KENTISH ... .. 6
GEORGE H. BARKER ... .. 3	*ARTHUR SHEPHERD ... .. 7
MISS EDITH K. PARKER ... 4	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by MISS E. K. PARKER.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to the Vicar (Rev. C. G. Ward) and Mr. A. Shepherd.



## HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Sept. 24, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt. 16 lb.

GEORGE T. PEGNALL ... .. Treble	CECIL V. EBBERTSON ... .. 5
GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 2	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. 6
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 3	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 7
WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 4	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

## SHOREHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Sept. 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

GEORGE ELLIS ... .. Treble	HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 5
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 2	ISAAC EMERY ... .. 6
HERBERT E. ALDSLEY ... 3	PERCY J. SPICE ... .. 7
EDWIN F. FIRE ... .. 4	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by O. SIPPETTS.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## REDMARLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Sept. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

RICHARD THOMAS ... .. Treble	CHRIS. BOWERS ... .. 4
DAVID HORNE ... .. 2	E. WILLIAM TURNER ... .. 5
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 3	GEORGE JORDON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. W. TURNER.

Believed to be the first peal on the bells.

## WICKHAMBREAUX, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Kent, two of Oxford Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 12½ cwt.

* EDWARD WOOD ... .. Treble	JAMES F. LAKER ... .. 4
STANLEY G. WHITE ... .. 2	SIDNEY WALTER ... .. 5
JACK WALTER ... .. 3	HARRISON SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by STANLEY E. WHITE.

\* First peal. Arranged for J. F. Laker, of Bridgewater, Mass., U.S.A., who is home on a short holiday after 10 years' absence in the States, and was elected a member previous to starting. All the ringers belong to the local band. J. F. Laker was a member before he left the old country, having rung five peals in the above tower, the first in February, 1907.

PORT SUNLIGHT, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(WIRRAL BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Single and Double Court, and two 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

* RICHARD BARNES ... .. Treble	THOS. ROGERS ... .. 4
* WALTER J. BATTLE ... .. 2	HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. 5
* JOHN COOKE ... .. 3	* SIDNEY F. BARNES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. LUDKIN.

\* First peal of Minor in six methods and first 720 of Surprise. This is the first peal rung by a Wirral band to include a 720 of Surprise.

## ST. ALBANS, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.

* ALBERT HALSEY ... .. Treble	THOMAS HULL ... .. 4
* SAMUEL FARMER ... .. 2	RICHARD CHALKLEY ... .. 5
JOHN MALVAN ... .. 3	HARRY HOLLICK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN MALVAN.

This peal was rung as a compliment to Samuel Farmer on his recent wedding. \* First peal.

## HANLEY CASTLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, Sept. 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GABRIEL,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 4
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... .. 2	* JOHN BAYLISS ... .. 5
GEOFFREY LEWIS ... .. 3	CHARLES CANN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. CANN.

\* First peal in seven methods on an 'inside' bell.

## BEDFORD.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Sept. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-DE-MERTON,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford and Plain Bob.

CHARLES A. ROBINSON ... .. Treble	HARRY TYSOE ... .. 4
FRANK WEBB ... .. 2	WILLIAM STAPLETON ... .. 5
CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... 3	PEARL INSKIP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. STAPLETON.

## SHOULDHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

TONY PRICE ... .. Treble	CLAUDE COUSINS ... .. 4
* EDWARD BARKER ... .. 2	TOM GREENACRE ... .. 5
WALLACE COUSINS ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. ELDRED ... .. Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

\* First peal in more than one method. Quickest peal on the bells.

## POTTON, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Single Oxford and four of Bob Minor, each called differently.

† WILLIAM E. HOLDEN ... .. Treble	* THOMAS BARTRAM ... .. 4
ALFRED O. BAILEY ... .. 2	HERBERT L. HARLOW ... .. 5
* CHARLES G. BALL ... .. 3	GEORGE W. INSKIP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. L. HARLOW.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal of Minor rung in two methods. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to W. H. Compton, one of the local ringers, who was interred on the 12th.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

WRANGLE, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS,  
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

ALFRED H. ROSE ... .. Treble	ALEX. SHARPE ... .. 4
JOHN PHILLIPS ... .. 2	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. ... 5
CECIL H. HOLMES ... .. 3	ARTHUR H. PALMER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE.

Arranged for Mr. C. H. Holmes, who was on a visit to the district, and was proposed a member of the Guild previous to starting, it being his first attempt for a peal; also first peal by the ringer of the treble.

HUNTLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Sept. 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 8 cwt.

*FREDERICK T. ROCK ... .. Treble	JOHN J. BEVAN ... .. 4
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. 2	EX-SGT. J. WILLIAMS ... .. 5
JOHN GWYNNE ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

\* First peal. First peal of Minor on the bells.

HANDBELL PEALS.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor size 18 in G.

JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 1-2	*FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 5-6
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 3-4	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 7-8

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

Witnesses: H. PEARSON and W. BRIGHTWELL.

\* First peal of Plain Bob 'inside.'

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Sept. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5046 CHANGES;

Tenor size 18 in G.

ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 1-2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 5-6
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 3-4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 7-8

EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 9-10

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Witness: S. HONE.

CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Thursday, Sept. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHNEY (Trin.) 1-2	W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens) 5-6
REV. E. BANKES JAMES (Caius) 3-4	† J. B. WOOLLEY (Jesus) ... 7-8

Composed by REV. E. B. JAMES. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

\* First peal in the method.

CAMBRIDGE.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Thursday, Sept. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHNEY (Trin.) 1-2	* W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens) 5-6
REV. E. BANKES JAMES (Caius) 3-4	† J. B. WOOLLEY (Jesus) ... 7-8

Conducted by the REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

This is the first peal of Grandsire Triples 'in hand,' by the Guild.

\* First peal of Triples. † First peal of Triples 'in hand.'

GOLDHANGER.—On Saturday, Sept. 9th, at the Parish Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob (12 bobs): J. D. Buckenham 1, H. B. Gardener 2, W. J. Sadler 3, O. J. Mann 4, F. Chalk 5, O. H. Howard (conductor) 6.

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Friday, Sept. 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. F. J. JOHNSON,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 20 in E.

MISS NELLY JOHNSON ... 1-2	JOSEPH D. JOHNSON ... 5-6
* GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... 3-4	FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... 7-8

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by JOSEPH D. JOHNSON.

\* First peal of Major.

COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Sept. 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT INSTITUTION HOUSE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 16 in B.

WALTER LAGO ... .. 1-2	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 5-6
WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 3-4	* BERT RIXON ... .. 7-8

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM SAUNDERS.

Umpire: ALFRED S. BAYLEY. Witness: WILLIAM R. EVANS.

\* First peal on handbells. This is the first handbell peal of Triples rung by local ringers for the Hereford Guild, 'in the Diocese,' or in the county of Salop. The ringers are also members of the Salop Guild. Rung on Mr. Edward V. Rodenhurst's bells.

THE EXTENSION OF BRISTOL.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In extending Bristol, Mr. Bankes James has added exactly the same places as Shipway did in extending Double Oxford.

In the Minor of the latter 4th's and 3rd's become 4th's and 3rd's, and 6th's and 5th's in Major; 4th's and 3rd's, 6th's and 5th's, and 8th's and 7th's in Royal; 4th's and 3rd's, 6th's and 5th's, 8th's and 7th's, 10th's and 9th's in Maximus, and so on, in regular progression to infinity. In the Major of the former 4th's and 3rd's and 6th's and 5th's become 4th's and 3rd's, 6th's and 5th's, 8th's and 7th's and 10th's and 9th's in the Maximus, and so on in regular progression. In both cases it is this extension of place alone that produces the equivalent lead end on all numbers. That the extra dodging produced by the extra places is hidden in the Bristol is nothing to the point. The 'whole turns' have no more to do with the lead end than the 3-4 places of Kent have. Omit them, and you have the extra dodging fully revealed.

So far as Mr. James' extension is a correct one, it is just because he has extended it as Shipway did Double Oxford.—Yours truly,

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

The O.U.G.C.R. held its annual ringing week this year in Lancashire. The headquarters were at the Diocesan Retreat House in Bolton, and the arrangements, which were on the same plan as in the last two years, were made by Canon Elsee, Vicar of St. George's. The following towers were visited: Monday: Holy Trinity, Bolton (a peal of Double Norwich), St. George's, Bolton; Tuesday, Horwich (peal attempt), Deane; The Saviour's, Bolton; and Manchester Town Hall; Wednesday, Whitworth (peal attempt), Rochdale, Milnrow and Heywood; Thursday, Stand, Prestwich, Middleton and Manchester Cathedral (a peal of Grandsire Caters); Friday, Hoghton (a peal of Little Bob Major), Brindle, Samlesbury, Tarleton, Croston and Whittle-le-Woods. There were thus only five peal attempts (of which three were successful), but no fewer than twenty towers were visited.

THE LATE MR. T. WALLIS.

Our readers will hear with regret that the widow and daughter of Mr. Tom Wallis, of Edenbridge, who, as reported in our last issue, died under such tragic circumstances, are through no fault of his left almost totally unprovided for.

At a meeting called to consider what could be done in these distressing circumstances, at which representatives from the various public bodies were present, a committee was appointed to organise the collection of a fund from which a small sum weekly could be paid to Mrs. Wallis, at any rate to tide over the present.

The representative character of the meeting testified in the strongest way to the services which Mr. Wallis had rendered to the place, and to the esteem in which he was held, and we do not feel we need emphasise this claim upon the many ringers who knew him. Contributions may be sent to Mr. J. Steady, Clothing Stores, Edenbridge, Kent.

# THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

The following peals were rung during a ringing tour in the counties of Bedford and Buckingham, September 9th to 16th, 1922:—

## DUNSTABLE, BEDFORDSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
At the Priory Church of St. Peter,

### A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.		Tenor 25 cwt. in D.	
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... ..	...Treble	EDWIN JENKINS ... ..	5
ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... ..	2	CECIL C. MAYNE... ..	6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	3	CHARLES W. CLARKE... ..	7
OLIVER SIPPETTS... ..	4	KEITH HART... ..	...Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

The first peal in this method on the bells. Messrs. Sharman, Jenkins and Sippetts were proposed as N.R. life members of the Guild previous to making the attempt.

## LINSLADE, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Sept. 10, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Barnabas,

### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 21 lb. in A.	
EDWIN JENKINS ... ..	...Treble
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... ..	2
OLIVER SIPPETTS... ..	3
WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... ..	4
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... ..	5
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL... ..	6
ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... ..	7
KEITH HART ... ..	...Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by KEITH HART.  
The first peal of Major on these bells.

## LEIGHTON BUZZARD, BEDFORDSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 26 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in D.	
*ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... ..	...Treble
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... ..	2
CECIL C. MAYNE ... ..	3
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... ..	4
ISAAC G. SHADE... ..	5
EDWIN JENKINS ... ..	6
JAMES H. SHEPHERD ... ..	7
CHARLES W. CLARKE ... ..	8
OLIVER SIPPETTS... ..	9
KEITH HART ... ..	...Tenor

Composed by JOHN REEVES. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.  
First peal of Royal upon the bells. \* First peal of Royal.

As a compliment to the Hon. Sec. of the Bedfordshire Association, seven visiting ringers were elected members of the Association in the belfry of All Saints'.

## WOBBURN, BEDFORDSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in D.	
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL... ..	...Treble
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	2
ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... ..	3
WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... ..	4
CECIL C. MAYNE... ..	5
EDWIN JENKINS ... ..	6
KEITH HART... ..	7
OLIVER SIPPETTS... ..	...Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

The first peal of Stedman upon these bells, which were recast in 1910.

## OLNEY, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.	
ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... ..	...Treble
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	2
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... ..	3
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL... ..	4
JAMES H. SHEPHERD ... ..	5
OLIVER SIPPETTS... ..	6
CECIL C. MAYNE... ..	7
JAMES GEORGE ... ..	...Tenor

Composed by J. H. BLAKISTON. Conducted by ARTHUR E. SHARMAN.

## NEWPORT PAGNELL, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in E flat.	
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL... ..	...Treble
ARTHUR R. SHARMAN ... ..	2
CECIL C. MAYNE... ..	3
WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... ..	4
CHARLES W. CLARKE... ..	5
EDWIN JENKINS ... ..	6
OLIVER SIPPETTS... ..	7
KEITH HART... ..	...Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.  
First peal of Surprise on the bells, which were recast in 1911.

## HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Sept. 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 30 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in C.	
ISAAC G. SHADE... ..	...Treble
FRED HAYES ... ..	2
*ALBERT W. WALKER ... ..	3
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... ..	4
EDWIN JENKINS ... ..	5
RALPH COLES ... ..	6
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... ..	7
JAMES W. WILKINS ... ..	8
JAMES GEORGE ... ..	9
KEITH HART... ..	10
JAMES E. GROVES ... ..	11
JAMES H. SHEPHERD ... ..	...Tenor

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES. Conducted by ALBERT W. WALKER.  
\* 150th peal of Stedman Cinques by Mr. Walker, who was elected to membership of the Guild previous to calling 'go.'

## HUGHENDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Sept. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

### A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S. Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.	
*EDWARD R. COLES ... ..	...Treble
FRANK BOREHAM ... ..	2
ISAAC G. SHADE... ..	3
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... ..	4
ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... ..	5
EDWIN JENKINS ... ..	6
OLIVER SIPPETTS... ..	7
KEITH HART ... ..	...Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.  
\* First Surprise peal. Mr. Jenkins' 100th peal. An attempt for this peal was made in the morning and failed at 2 hrs. and 40 mins.

## WOBBURN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Sept. 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt. in E.	
EDWIN JENKINS ... ..	...Treble
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	2
WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... ..	3
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... ..	4
ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... ..	5
CECIL C. MAYNE... ..	6
KEITH HART... ..	7
OLIVER SIPPETTS... ..	...Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.  
Earlier in the day the same band rang nearly two hours for Superlative Surprise Major.

## WRAYSBURY, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,

### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 10½ cwt. in F flat.	
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	...Treble
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... ..	2
WILLIAM NEVARD ... ..	3
ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... ..	4
JOHN EVANS ... ..	5
OLIVER SIPPETTS... ..	6
KEITH HART... ..	7
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... ..	...Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.  
The first peal on these bells, which were recast in 1912. A birthday greeting for the 2nd ringer. This performance completed the conductor's 1,000th peal.

A peal of London Surprise Major was attempted at Old Windsor in the evening and lost after 1 hr. and 40 mins. ringing.

**SONNING DEANERY RINGERS AT CROYDON FOUNDRY**

On Monday, Sept. 11th, members of the Sonning Deanery Branch availed themselves of the kind invitation of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston to visit the foundry at Croydon. Meeting at Wokingham, they travelled by charabanc to Sandhurst, where others were taken aboard, and thence to Croydon. Arrived at the foundry they were met by Mr. Johnston and Mr. Dean. Lunch was kindly provided for the party, during which tunes were played on the carillon in the foundry tower. Afterwards the party were shown over the works, seeing bells in every stage of production, including a carillon of 27 bells, which the firm is sending to Canada, and upon which Mr. Johnston struck tunes and chimes. Some most interesting things were seen in the clock-making departments, which emphasised the reputation this firm possesses, while a visit to the top of the tower was made, where a good view was obtained of the district. Tea was then partaken of, and Mr. Dentry, the branch secretary, thanked Mr. Johnston and Mr. Dean for their kindness, and for giving them such an enjoyable time.—Mr. Johnston replied, and said he hoped they would pay them another visit.

The return journey was made, and Wokingham reached about 8.45 p.m., when a touch of Stedman Triples on All Saints' bells concluded a very pleasant day.

Ringers forming the party came from All Saints', Wokingham (including Miss V. Robinson), Twyford, Hurst, Waltham St. Lawrence, Binsfield, and Sandhurst. Great praise is due to the combined practice committee, and especially to Mr. Jos. White, who made the arrangements.

**10,848 BOB MAJOR.**

By E. MULLINS.

23456 W M H

43652 — 3

54632 — 3

56342 — 2

53462 — 2

Repeat four times, with 5th's and 4th's instead of M in 2nd and 3rd parts; and W, S at H instead of the last two courses of the 5th part; bringing up the half peal end, 32456.

This is the composition which Mr. E. Morris proposes to 'tap' on handbells on Saturday, October 7th.

**ACCIDENT TO MR. BEN GOUGH.**

The ringing friends of Mr. Ben Gough, of Princes End, Tipton, will regret to learn that a serious accident befel him on the night of Saturday, Sept. 18th. He had been paying a visit to the veteran Midland ringer, Mr. Wm. R. Small, of Great Bridge, during the early part of the evening, and together they went to St. Martin's Parish Church, Tipton, to listen to the finish of the peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. After extending his congratulations to the band, Mr. Gough wended his way home via what is known locally as Summer Hill Bridge. The roads in this particular area in recent years have been 'swagged' by mining operations, and just at this particular spot are very dangerous to pedestrians in the dark. Mr. Gough accidentally stepped into a hole, which held him by the heel of his boot, and caused him badly to twist his left ankle. The accident is to be regretted, as his absence from the ringing world will be keenly felt. All who know him will wish the genial 'Ben' a speedy recovery, and trust he will soon be about again amongst his brother ringers with all his wonted interest and enthusiasm.

**OXFORD SOCIETY'S OUTING.**

On Thursday, Sept. 14th, the Oxford Society had an outing which took the form of a charabanc trip to Reading via Abingdon, Dorchester, Henley and Shiplake. The party left Oxford at 9.15 a.m., and Dorchester was reached in about an hour. After inspecting the historic old Abbey, the bells were set going to Stedman Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major. The party then proceeded to Henley, where touches of Stedman and Double Norwich Major were rung. The next stop was Shiplake, where a most enjoyable lunch was served at the Plough Inn. The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, M.A., M.C. (Master of the Oxford Guild), honoured the company with his presence at lunch, and continued with them during the afternoon. In Reading the party visited the towers of St. Giles', St. Mary's and St. Lawrence's, where Stedman Triples, Double Norwich Major, Kent Treble Bob Major and Royal were successfully brought round. After finishing at St. Lawrence's Church, the party left for home via Streasley and Wallingford, Oxford being reached at 8.30 p.m. The weather was dull, but this did not materially affect the day's programme, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The members of the party greatly appreciated the kindness extended to them by members of the towers visited, and this contributed largely towards the success of the outing. They also wish to thank the incumbents of the various towers for the use of the bells.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

# THE LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1870**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and**

**Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD**

**LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

A new peal of six for Peckham, near Canterbury, are being cast at the Whitechapel Foundry, and the firm are also adding two trebles to increase the ring at Stanmore, Middlesex, to eight.

At Thames Ditton, Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have rehung the peal of six, and they are also rehangings the six at Hampton, Devon.

Mr. James George has sustained another bereavement by the death of a sister—the third member of his family to pass away within the last two years, one being Mr. W. H. George, of Eastleigh. Of a family of nine brothers and sisters, only two now remain.

William Shipway was born at Bath on September 29th, 1760.

Henry Bagley, the son of a blacksmith, and the first of the Northamptonshire bell founders, was baptised at Chacombe on October 2nd, 1608.

The first peal of Bristol Surprise on handbells was rung by Messrs. G. R., W. and E. Pye and W. Keeble at Romford on October 1st, 1907.

On October 1st, 1793, a peal of 15,360 Bob Major was rung at Aston, conducted by Joshua Short.

A 'silent' peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (the first on record) was rung at Liversedge, Yorks, on Oct. 3rd, 1863.

Mr. Albert Walker, the Deputy Ringing Master of St. Martin's, Birmingham, rang his 150th peal of Stedman Cinques on Sept. 13th. Of these he has conducted 55. This is a remarkable achievement even for a ringer in such a centre of twelve-bell ringing as Birmingham.

On Saturday, October 7th, Mr. A. T. Morris, of Harwich, who has 'tapped' such a large number of peals, will attempt a 10,848 Bob Major at 5, King's Head Street, commencing at 2 p.m. sharp. Any ringers who wish to be present should communicate with Mr. Morris as soon as possible. The figures of the peal are available.

Mr. Tom Russam was the referee of the handbell peal of Stedman Cinques rung at Birmingham on September 7th. This was omitted from the report.

The report of the peal of Stedman Caters, at Ewerby, Lincolnshire, should read: First peal of Stedman Caters by ringer of 9th, 50th peal by ringer of 4th. The ringer of the 2nd was Holden, not Holmes.

Messrs. Groombridge and Palmer are rehangings the peal of six at Freiston and the ring of five at Algakirk (both near Boston, Lincs), the work including new gudgeons and bearings and general overhauling.

There are many lady ringers in the West of England who do not yet belong to the Ladies' Guild, and the district secretary, Miss E. Smith, of 25, Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol, will be very glad to welcome them as members.

## A PEAL OF 12 FOR EXETER.

Just as we are going to press we hear that two new trebles are to be added to Exeter Cathedral's magnificent ring, to make a peal of twelve.

The new bells have been offered by Mr. Arthur Thomas, a well-known resident of Exeter, and have been accepted by the Dean and Chapter.

It is hoped that the bells, which will be a crowning glory to the grandest peal in the world, will be installed before Christmas.

## LADIES' GUILD.

### APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS POSTPONED.

The quarterly meeting of the Ladies' Guild was held on Saturday last, at St. Mark's, Bath, and was much enjoyed by a good company of ringers, including a band from St. Mark's, Swindon.

As, unfortunately, only six members of the Guild were present, it was considered impossible to hold the annual business meeting for the appointment of officers for the ensuing year, and this was postponed until the next quarterly meeting, which it was decided should take place in Bristol, as being most central, early in December, and that the present secretary make arrangements.

One new member, Miss Ethel Pacey, of Rumney, Cardiff, was elected.

The Ladies' Guild is much indebted to the Vicar and ringers of St. Mark's for their kind welcome.

## LATE NOTICE.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Abergavenny, Mon., on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells (8) available. Church service at 4.45. Tea and business meeting to follow.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**A PREBENDARY'S NONSENSE.****WHAT A FINANCE BOARD WAS ASKED TO BELIEVE.**

A remarkable accusation with regard to bells was made last week by Prebendary Farrer at a meeting of the Board of Finance for the Diocese of Bath and Wells, at which the Marquis of Bath presided, and the Bishop of the Diocese and the Bishop of Taunton were among those present. Having commented upon the fact that the committee had only been able to make comparatively small grants to parishes that had to raise large sums, and that further large claims for church maintenance were expected, he added:

One of the causes, I may almost say curse, of our churches falling into disrepair, are the bells. Our towers were never built to hold an enormous number of bells. They were built to hold four or five, and now in some parishes there is a race to see how many bells they can cram in. They do not go to an architect, but to a firm of bell hangers, who put as many bells as they can without regard for the building. There is one church in this diocese that has ten bells already, and they want twelve. Really, there ought to be some moderation. Church towers ought not to be expected to stand a strain for which they were never built.

Bell founders and ringers know how to appraise such nonsense, but it is a serious matter when a statement of this kind goes forth to the world as the considered opinion of a member of a Diocesan Finance Board. Prebendary Farrer was unlucky when he alighted on the Taunton augmentation to illumine his case, as we endeavour to show in our leading article.

**ONE THOUSAND PEALS.****MR. GEORGE WILLIAMS' ACHIEVEMENT.**

Mr. George Williams, the present Master of the Winchester Diocesan Guild, whose name for more than a generation has been almost a household word among ringers, has just achieved a distinction shared only by three other members of the Exercise. On Sept. 16th, at Wraybury, Bucks, he completed his one thousand peals, the only other ringers who have as yet reached that number being the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, Mr. William Pye (Master of the Middlesex Association), and Mr. I. G. Shade, of Greenwich.

Few ringers have done more spadework in the teaching of beginners than has Mr. Williams, and the majority of the peals which he has rung in the simpler methods have been in assisting young ringers in their early efforts.

Mr. Williams was born at East Meon, Hants, on May 7th, 1857, and was first introduced to a bell at the age of twelve, when residing at Droxford. Here he used to chime for service, and sometimes with an uncle and two cousins rang the four bells at this church. In the neighbouring parish of Soberton he commenced ringing Grand-sire Doubles, but as the only method employed was that of learning the work of a bell all through, Mr. Williams became tired of it, and left the bellry for the pastimes of cricket, bicycling (in the days of the old high ordinary) and volunteering. With the formation of the Winchester Guild in 1879 and 1880, better opportunities for ringing presented themselves, and Mr. Williams was drawn back to the tower. He rang his first peal—Grandsire Triples—on January 7th, 1884, at Soberton—the first peal by the Winchester Guild in Hampshire. The next year he removed to Reigate, and afterwards to Fareham (where he was appointed instructor to the Guild). Next he moved to Midhurst, where the Sussex Association made him one of its instructors. Many hands in Hampshire and Sussex owed their start in ringing to his aid, and when he left Fareham he was presented with a nicely bound volume of the Shipway reprint, while on leaving Midhurst his services were recognised by the gift of a handsomely written and bound peal book.

After his departure from West Sussex, Mr. Williams lived in Brighton for 16 years, and it was during his connection with the St. Peter's Company that Sussex was raised to a proud position in the ringing world, a position for which the enterprise of the Brighton band was largely responsible. The band were pioneers in Surprise methods outside London, Cambridge and Superlative, and they rang peals of New Cumberland, Oxford, Bristol, Gloucester, Westminster and Norfolk Surprise Major. Mr. Williams was their principal conductor, and to his ability they owed a large share of their success.

In 1893, Mr. Williams was elected hon. sec. of the Central Division of the Sussex Association, which post he held until he left Brighton in 1905, when his great services to the Association were recognised by the presentation of a handsome silver tea service suitably engraved, and his election as a life honorary member.

After taking up his residence at West End, Southampton, Mr. Williams joined the North Stoneham band. Here he has done much to raise them to the forefront among Winchester Diocesan ringers, after being largely instrumental in getting the peal increased from six to eight. Mr. Williams' knowledge and enthusiasm were soon made use of by the Guild, and he served for some years as general hon. secretary before being elected to the position of Master.

It was on one of the annual peal ringing tours which Mr. Williams has made in various parts of the country that he completed his 1,000 peals, the list of which is appended.

	Rung.	Conducted.
On six bells ... ..	28	23
Bob Triples ... ..	6	4
Bob Major ... ..	61	43
Bob Royal ... ..	2	2
Grandsire Triples ... ..	100	78
Grandsire Triples (on handbells) ...	4	4
Grandsire Major ... ..	1	1
Grandsire Caters ... ..	10	5
Union Triples ... ..	1	1
Stedman Triples ... ..	257	191
Stedman Caters ... ..	34	21
Stedman Cinques ... ..	4	—
Kent Treble Bob Major ... ..	83	70
Kent Treble Bob Royal ... ..	18	11
Kent Treble Bob Maximus ... ..	1	—
Oxford Treble Bob Major ... ..	3	2
Double Norwich Major ... ..	142	125
Double Norwich Royal ... ..	1	—
College Exercise Major ... ..	1	—
Champion Major ... ..	1	—
Norfolk Surprise Major ... ..	2	1
Westminster Surprise Major ... ..	3	1
Gloucester Surprise Major ... ..	3	1
Oxford Surprise Major ... ..	3	2
New Cumberland Surprise Major ...	6	6
Bristol Surprise Major ... ..	3	2
London Surprise Major ... ..	48	41
Superlative Surprise Major ... ..	126	91
Cambridge Surprise Major ... ..	47	37
Cambridge Surprise Royal ... ..	1	—
Total ...	1,000	763

**THE YORKSHIRE DINNER.**

The first commemoration dinner, organised by the Yorkshire Association, to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowden and past officers of the Association, was held last Saturday at the Griffin Hotel, Leeds, and was a great success. The proceedings were attended by visitors from all parts of Yorkshire, and from London, Surrey, Loughborough, Birmingham and Newcastle. There was ringing during the afternoon at various churches, and a company of 117 sat down to dinner.

A fuller report of the proceedings will appear in our next issue.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.****GRATIFYING EXPANSION OF EXETER BRANCH.**

The quarterly meeting of the Exeter District of the Guild of Devonshire ringers was held at Honiton-Clyst on Saturday week, when members, to the number of 30, were present from St. Sidwell's and St. David's, Exeter, Topsham, Withycombe Raleigh, Newton St. Cyres, Cheriton Fitzpain, Honiton-Clyst, Sowton and Christow. Service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the Rev. H. B. Clarke (Vicar), who gave a very impressive address, and Mrs. Clarke very ably presided at the organ.

Tea was subsequently partaken of in the Institute, and was followed by the business meeting. Among those present were the chairman of the district (Mr. E. Shepherd), the hon. secretary and treasurer (Mr. N. J. Southwood) and assistant secretary (Mr. J. C. Oke), the Rev. H. B. Clarke, and the Rev. N. H. Arundel (Cheriton Fitzpain).

One of the most gratifying features of the meeting was the number of new members proposed, which speaks volumes for the work now being carried on in the interest of change ringing in the district. It is hoped that this will be an incentive to other bands to join the Guild, take up the art, and receive the help given by the Guild. The following are the bands who were proposed: Poughill, Rev. N. B. Gurney, hon. member and 4 associate members; Otterton, Rev. Grimaldi, hon. members and 9 associate members; Kenn, Rev. Vining, hon. members and 8 associate members; Cheriton Fitzpain, Rev. N. H. Arundel, hon. member and 5 associate members; Honiton-Clyst, 1 associate member.

Four members who had qualified were awarded the Guild certificate.

The Chairman proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the excellent arrangements made, and to Mrs. Clarke.—The Vicar, in reply, said it gave him the greatest pleasure to welcome the Guild to Honiton-Clyst, and he hoped they would pay a further visit in the near future.—The Vicar proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman.

The bells, a fine peal of eight, were kept merrily going during the afternoon and evening, and some nice touches brought round.

**HELD OVER.**

We regret that owing to pressure on our space we have had to hold over the reports of several outings and other items.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

**Q-SET PRINCIPLES IN METHOD CONSTRUCTION.***To the Editor.***NO BEARING UPON INTERNAL ROWS.**

Dear Sir,—Mr. Powell really must excuse our 'ordinary mid-Victorian' minds in that they were led into misinterpreting his remarks, ancient the gaudy bit of patchwork as being intentionally humorous. But his pursuance of this mixed method of argument in last week's 'Ringing World,' wherein two distinct issues are set in conflict, calls for prompt reply in all seriousness. Space here is far too valuable to be occupied in quibbling over particular meanings of words employed in connection with ringing. But every ringer knows that by the 'science' of ringing is understood that phase which is distinctive from the practical side of it—the art of the thing. Our question, at the time of Mr. Powell's entry into the arena, was simply that of method construction and extension, particularly as it related to Bristol; and as explained in the earlier sections of the article, method construction deals solely with the design of a change-block itself; that is, the arrangement of changes between lead-head and lead-end. Now 'Q-set' is a term which was coined by the late W. H. Thompson to express the relation between certain rows of changes which occur in methods at the parting only of the leads; and in principles at the parting only of the divisions; that is to say, the principles of the Q-set theory, relating as they do to composition (as embracing the junction of leads or divisions into courses, and of courses into extents and peals), have no bearing whatever upon method designing, which constitutes the arrangement of rows within a lead or division and that alone. Indeed, composition in any given method can only begin where method construction leaves off; and unfortunately Mr. Powell's last letter confuses the two distinct issues. Now it was to the former that we referred, when we spoke of 'the fabric'; and although Mr. Powell now suggests otherwise, we are fully alive to the fact that this fabric, in itself, is constructed 'scientifically' in the true sense; and that it abounds in theorems and laws; as has been amply demonstrated by Heywood, Thompson and others. But let us get down below this fabric; on what does it rest? Why, sir, it rests on something which, as we explained in our last letter, is evolved from one or two arbitrary conventions; something, for the production of which there are no fixed laws whatever; and that something is the change block; more often called a 'lead' in a method, and a 'division' in a principle; and this fact becomes all the more clear when it is remembered that except for the limitations imposed by the few conventions above mentioned, the scope of the designer, in building his block, is unbounded.

One of his limitations is that his lead-heads and lead-ends must be of the normal coursing order; and once this is established the composer, stringing together the leads into courses by means of varied call-positions, follows the principles of the Q-set theory; and this brings about inevitably the association of leads when extension is entered upon. At this juncture it is worth noting that Mr. Powell, in raising the question of the Q-set principle, is only adding a stronger plank to my platform, since it serves to illustrate that association of leads is vital—a fact which Mr. Powell strove, in his first letter, to disprove. On the other hand, it is at once evident, to anyone who looks at the matter even superficially, that in the field of composition, things could not 'just grow, like Topsy'; they must be tended and cultivated carefully in the early stages; and then their subsequent growth proceeds under the government of the laws as defined by the Q-set theory. But there is a particular Q-set governing composition in every different method whose lead ends are arranged in varied order.

One thing should be borne constantly in mind by all theorists; namely, that in the ringers' court, as constituted by this invaluable paper, all cases should be conducted in terms which cannot mislead or confuse any one member in its public benches. To this end, we would point out that every member of a Q-set (in methods at least) has the treble bell at lead; and thus it is that any attempt to treat the interior rows of a change-block as members of a Q-set, results in nothing else but another patch in that cloak of mystery which some theorists are prone to throw over the whole matter.

And so, sir, do we find ourselves in a position in which we can make a bold and incontrovertible statement: The Q-set theory, since it deals solely with the rows found at the parting of change-blocks, cannot have the slightest bearing upon the inside rows of a change-block; and since the business of method construction is confined to the arrangements of these inside rows (the 'head' and 'end' rows of any block being fixed by convention) the Q-set principles can never have the slightest effect, either one way or the other on method construction and extension.

No, sir, the actual truth is that apart from the observation of the given conventions the designer may freely exercise his will in building a change-block, certain 'shunts,' of course, producing certain inevitable results within the block. There yet remain to be formulated the principles governing these latter; and it is these principles which some misguided theorists would have the Exercise believe to be of the Q-set order. Frankly, sir, is not that too absurd?—Very truly yours,

A. YORK BRAMBLE.

**Q-SETS REQUIRE CLEAN PROOF SCALE.**

Dear Sir,—The Q-set is of such a nature that if you do not violate it, it will produce the extent of the changes. It follows from this, that every method which follows the Q-set rule must have a clean proof scale, even with the tenors apart. Why will people keep on wasting your valuable space by rushing into print before testing their theories?—Yours, etc.,

Surfleet.

H. LAW JAMES.

**DEATH OF AN OLD ESSEX RINGER.**

On Tuesday, Sept. 5th the death occurred at High Street, Kelvedon, after a short illness, of Mr. H. Elliott, who had until recently been a ringer at the Parish Church for about 50 years, and had also been employed in Felix Hall gardens for 54 years. He was laid to rest on Friday, Sept. 8th, amid every token of respect, and in the evening a date touch of Bob Minor, with the bells half-muffled, was rung by E. Dale 1, F. Dale, junr. 2, W. Keeble (conductor) 3, J. Elliott 4, E. Bone 5, W. Elliott 6. The number of calls used (69) was the same as the age of the deceased ringer.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****A DELAYED ANNUAL REPORT.**

A quarterly meeting of the Central Division was held at Barcombe on Saturday, Sept. 16th. This meeting was on the programme for 1914-15. Barcombe, situated a few miles from Lewes, has six bells, and this is the first meeting the Association has held there. Although the number present was not great, some spade-work was done, and it is hoped, progress made. Ringing commenced at about 2.30, and continued until 4.30, when a short service was held in church, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. H. W. Farrar), who also gave a very interesting address. Afterwards all adjourned to the Rectory, where a splendid tea had been provided.

The business meeting followed, the Rector presiding, and being supported by the Master (Mr. J. T. Rickman).—The Rector opened the meeting by giving the Association a most hearty welcome to Barcombe, and gave for a motto, 'I'll try.' The business was mostly of a routine nature, and the election of the following non-resident members was confirmed: Messrs. R. Sanders (Stepney), H. W. Clark (Cubitt Town), W. Perkins (Irthlingborough), W. B. Cartwright (Birmingham), H. Markwell (Tunbridge Wells), H. A. Edwards (Asherwood, East Grinstead).

Discussion arose as to when the report would appear, and disappointment was expressed that it was not yet published. The following resolution was passed: 'That this quarterly meeting respectfully express its regret that the annual report of the Association is so very late in appearing this year.'

The meeting concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, his address, and for his kind hospitality; also to the organist and the ladies who waited upon the visitors at tea. The jovial manner in which the Rector welcomed the Association was remarked by all.

The tower was again visited until about 8 o'clock.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.****FURNESS AND LAKE DISTRICT BRANCH.**

The annual meeting of the Furness and Lake District Branch was held at Ambleside on Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Members from Broughton-in-Furness, Dalton-in-Furness, Kendal, Ulverston and Silverdale, attended, and had a smooth passage on Windermere Lake.—The Rev. J. B. Bolland (Vicar) presided, and warmly welcomed the visitors. Dalton-in-Furness was the place chosen for the next half-yearly meeting, and Kirkby-in-Furness for the next half-yearly ringing meeting.

Before and after partaking of the hospitality provided by the local ringers, the 20 members present, including six ladies, rang touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major.

It was agreed that efforts be made to increase the membership of the Branch.

**SOUTH WALES RINGERS' OUTING.**

On Saturday, September 16th, the Rumney Guild visited Bristol for their annual outing. The boat trip from Cardiff was much enjoyed, and by the time Bristol was reached everyone had gained a keen appetite. Afterwards the band adjourned to St. Michael's, where they were heartily welcomed by Miss Smith (the local secretary) and other ringers. Several touches were rung, and then tracks were made for the city, where a most pleasant time was spent in various ways.

Later in the evening the party took charabanc to Weston, and from thence reached Cardiff by boat. Rumney was eventually safely reached, everyone voting it had been 'a grand day.' The ringers wish, through 'The Ringing World,' to thank the Rector of St. Michael's for use of bells, and also those who helped to give them such a pleasant time.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 24th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), taken from 'Holt's Original,' in 40 mins.: L. H. Page 1, A. H. Fulwell 2, J. E. Churchill 3, A. M. Stacey 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, F. W. Goodfellow (conductor) 7, W. A. Hunnisett 8.

**ALDINGTON, KENT.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, 720 Bob Minor: C. Slingsby 1, Miss R. Thomas 2, W. Sherwood 3, V. Sherwood 4, B. Baker 5, H. Parkes (conductor) 6.

**STAINES, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Peter's, for harvest festival, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: Miss H. E. Mackie (first quarter-peal) 1, G. Spencer 2, A. Beckensale 3, W. C. Parker 4, J. Milner 5, J. H. Preston (conductor) 6, J. Phillips 7, W. F. Smith 8.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, for evening service, at St. John-the-Divine, Kennington, S.E., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: G. W. Wild 1, S. E. Moye (first quarter-peal in any method) 2, T. W. Taffender, junr., 3, J. R. Gammon 4, J. S. Hawkins 5, W. Berry 6, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 7, J. Trimmer (first quarter-peal) 8.

**GORSEINON, GLAM.**—At St. Catherine's Church, for morning service, on Sept. 17th, 760 Grandsire Doubles: \*Reg. Dobbins (age 14) 1, C. Willie 2, J. Williams (conductor) 3, W. Dobbins 4, A. Sluman 5, \*Alan MacMillan 6. \*Longest touch.—For evening service, 210 Grandsire Triples: Alan MacMillan 1, A. Sluman 2, C. Willis (longest touch on an inside bell) 3, R. Baird 4, Wal. Dobbins 5, W. Dobbins 6, J. Williams (conductor) 7, H. Warrie 8.

**KESWICK.**—At Crosthwaite Church, on Sunday, Sept. 17th, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: T. Hartley 1, Mrs. T. Wilson 2, T. Wilson 3, Rev. M. C. Potter (Armstrong College, Newcastle-on-Tyne) 4, F. Grisdale 5, T. Hogarth (conductor) 6.

**BURSLEM, STAFF.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, at the Parish Church a 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor, for the evening service: H. Box 1, P. Kelsall (first 720) 2, A. Lees 3, J. Hurd 4, T. Hurd (conductor) 5, T. Hilditch 6.

**PUTNEY.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, at St. Mary's Parish Church, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: C. Moody 1, W. G. Matthews 2, P. J. Norton (first quarter inside) 3, W. T. Elson 4, A. Jones 5, J. Herbert 6, E. Cassel (conductor) 7, T. Bolton 8.

**ROYSTON.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, 672 Stedman Triples: A. Gilbert 1, W. L. Darlow 2, W. B. Manning (conductor) 3, C. S. Gouldthorpe 4, S. E. Roberts 5, J. W. Ward 6, R. G. King 7, F. Harper 8.

**TEWKESBURY.**—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evening service, at the Abbey, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: R. Harris 1, W. Ricketts 2, F. Smith 3, O. Attwood 4, E. Wallace 5, T. Devereux 6, C. W. Dyson (conductor) 7, W. Hughes 8.

**MARKET DEEPIING, LINCOLNSHIRE.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, at the Parish Church, for morning service, 240 of Kent and Oxford, and a course of Cambridge Surprise: F. Simpson 1, A. Riggall 2, H. M. Day (conductor) 3, W. Tilley 4, W. A. Day 5, G. H. Wells 6.—Also 360 of College Single: H. Hayes 1, H. M. Day (conductor) 2, A. Riggall 3, H. Holmes 4, W. Tilley 5, G. H. Wells 6.—For evening service, 720 of St. Clement's: H. Hayes 1, F. Simpson (first in the method inside) 2, H. M. Day (conductor) 3, H. Holmes 4, W. A. Day 5, G. H. Wells 6.

**TENTERDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, for evening service, 518 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. Baker 1, Miss R. Thomas 2, W. H. Lambert 3, C. Tribe 4, H. Baker 5, B. Baker 6, R. E. Burgess 7, J. Neve 8, and 168 with R. Want 4 and W. Button 8.

**NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT.**—At St. Thomas' Parish Church, on Sunday, Sept. 10th, for Matins, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 49 mins.: W. Johnson 1, W. Scott, senr., 2, H. Barton (conductor) 3, J. Bacon 4, H. Phillips 5, W. Scott, junr., 6, W. Upton 7, J. Leal 8.—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, after the unveiling of the town's war memorial by H.R.H. Princess Beatrice, three 168's of Grandsire, one 168 of Stedman Triples were rung with the bells half-muffled by W. Johnson, W. Chambers, W. Scott, senr., J. Bacon, A. Callaway, W. Scott, junr., H. Phillips, W. Upton and J. Leal.—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, for Matins, 420 Stedman Triples and 377 Grandsire Triples: W. Johnson 1, W. Chambers 2, W. Scott 3, J. Bacon 4, A. Callaway 5, W. Scott, junr., 6, W. Upton 7, J. Leal 8.—For evensong, 420 Stedman and 224 Bob Major. All conducted by A. Callaway. First touch of Major as conductor.

**SLOUGH.**—At St. Mary's Church, for evening service, on Sunday, August 27th, a 504 Grandsire Triples: Dorothy M. Leader 1, W. H. Fussell (conductor) 2, A. W. Leader 3, G. W. Bedford 4, G. T. Leader 5, A. Bateman 6, B. T. Beeson (Guildford) 7, A. Perryman 8.

**WICKHAMBEAUX, KENT.**—On Sunday morning, August 13th, 720 Kent Treble Bob, in 23 mins.: E. Wood 1, J. Walter 2, S. Walter 3, J. F. Laker 4, H. Smith 5, S. G. White (conductor) 6.—On Sunday evening, Aug. 13th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob, in 22 mins.: E. Wood 1, H. Smith 2, S. Walter 3, J. F. Laker 4, J. Walter 5, S. G. White (conductor) 6. Rung as a welcome home for a short holiday to Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Laker, both natives of the village, after an absence of ten years in Bridgwater, Mass., U.S.A.

## CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

## AN ABANDONED MEETING.

The meeting that should have taken place at Cogenhoe on Saturday last, was unavoidably cancelled on the preceding Thursday, which prevented stopping intending visitors by notice in 'The Ringing World.' Each tower in the district was notified of the fact, and it was also advertised in the 'Northampton Chronicle,' but perhaps all members did not see this notice. If any members went to Cogenhoe and were disappointed, the hon. secretary (Mr. S. J. Lawrence) hopes they will forgive.

The Rector of Milton (the Rev. B. E. Evans) has kindly asked the Association to hold a meeting at Milton, and also given cordial invitation to all members and friends to tea (see notice on another page). As this will be the first visit to Milton it is hoped members will make a special effort to attend, and give encouragement to the young band who are making great strides in the art of campanology at that tower. There are frequent buses from Guildhall Road, Northampton. Fare 5d.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

## SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT ORSETT.

A quarterly meeting of the South-Western Division was held at Orsett on Saturday last, members attending from Barking, Brentwood, Bentley, Romford, Leytonstone, Stanford-le-Hope, and Gravesend. Ringing commenced at 3.30, and touches of Plain Bob, Double Court, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge, Wells and London Surprise Minor, were brought round. Service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. J. W. Eisdell), who also gave an appropriate address. An excellent tea, arranged by Mr. A. Keeling, the genial steeplekeeper, was partaken of at the Whitmore Arms, at which the Rector presided, supported by Mrs. Eisdell.

At the meeting which followed, two honorary members, three probationers and two ringing members were elected.

It was proposed to hold the next meeting (annual) at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow.—Mr. E. Butler proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, and the kind welcome extended to the members, also to Mr. A. Keeling and other friends who helped to make the meeting a success.—Messrs. Wightman, Morris and Plummer, of Woodford, gave a selection of tunes on the handbells, which was much appreciated. After a course of Grandsire Caters on handbells, the visitors returned to the tower till 8.30, when all made tracks for home to the tune of Triples and Bob Major, and another selection on the handbells in the bus. The meeting was one of the best held for some time.

## HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## BRIDGNORTH BRANCH MEETING.

The quarterly meeting of the Bridgnorth Branch was held at Quatt on Saturday, September 9th, and was well attended by members from St. Leonard's and St. Mary's, Bridgnorth, Stockton, Coalbrookdale and Quatt.

A short service was held in the church, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. J. Roper), the Guild form being used. Both before and after service the bells were kept going. Tea was partaken of in the Parish Room, kindly provided by the Rector.

The business meeting followed, the Rev. J. Roper presiding.—Six new ringing members were elected, including the Rev. James Stewart Jobling, the new Rector of St. Mary's, Bridgnorth.

It was decided to hold the annual meeting at St. Leonard's, Bridgnorth, on Saturday, December 2nd, 1922.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector for his kind hospitality, and to Mrs. Garbett for her kindness in waiting on the visitors.—The Rector, responding, said he was only too pleased to do what lay in his power for ringers, and ringing generally.

A short musical programme followed by St. Leonard's handbell ringers on the Green outside the Parish Room, and was greatly appreciated by all. The ringers then adjourned to the belfry, and ringing continued till 7.30. Five ringers qualified for certificates, and the methods rung were Stedman and Grandsire Doubles, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Minor, this bringing to a close a very enjoyable and instructive meeting.

**MANCHESTER.**—At St. Philip's, Hulme, on Friday, Sept. 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: Miss E. Tonge 1, A. Bailey 2, J. Hall 3, F. Page 4, W. H. Shaker 5, J. Wilson 6, R. F. Deal (conductor) 7, W. J. Bradshaw (first quarter-peal) 8.

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

*Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.*

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.

## THE OXFORD GUILD TOUR. PEAL RINGING IN BEDS AND BUCKS.

By W. H. F.

Preparations were begun rather late for our expedition in September, consequently several well-known men were absent, and we were not favoured by the ever-welcome company of a clergyman. Some two or three apologies for absence by old members compelled the organiser to seek 'fresh blood' to make up the full party, for, after securing the kind co-operation of the respective clergy and foremen of towers to be visited, it would never do to 'close down' at the eleventh hour.

The peals list compares very favourably with those of other years—when George Williams, of Brighton, and his stalwart men were a byword in 'Bell News' days—because the first seven attempts came off straight from the handstroke. Bucks alone was to have been the limit of our wanderings for the metal, but the county of Bedford has an up-to-date honorary ringing secretary, and his encouragement relieved the writer of much trouble, and made a happy beginning to our week's tour by three good days—and don't forget the nights, in Bed—fordshire. Perhaps in the form of a diary it would be better to offer my notes of the seven days' proceedings which may be of some interest to those readers who have enjoyed similar holidays in the past. Programmes, with instructions and details as to bed, board and travelling, had been sent out in advance to all concerned, yet the man who prepared them was the first to be marked up 'absent.'

Dunstable.—Rev. Canon W. W. O. Baker, Rector; Mr. G. W. Healey, foreman.

Ten men were to have met here on Saturday, Sept. 9th, at 3 p.m. Eight of them met, and rang the peal. The other two were kicking themselves for an hour or two on the station platform at Knebworth, having passed the junction at Hatfield for Dunstable. We—the two Bills—took the opportunity of seeing Hatfield Church and Lord Salisbury's tomb, and arrived at Dunstable Church at six o'clock, in time to hear the last hour of some good ringing. Mr. Tom Blackburne (of Blackburne and Greenleaf's fame), Mr. A. Edwards (Boreham), and several local ringers, joined us in front of the beautiful Norman west elevation of this ancient priory church and offered congratulations to the peal hands. Canon Baker, who usually takes a spell with the ringers here, was away on holiday, and, although a Bedfordshire band rang 3 hours and 10 minutes last spring for a peal of Cambridge Major, these men—sportsmen, I might add—raised no objection to our party attempting the same method. Not long ago a certain Lincolnshire Vicar was ringing the tenor to a peal of Major at this church. The tenor box is beside the trap door in the floor, which is reached only by means of a long dangerous old rung ladder. The curate, taking duty for evensong, climbed the ladder to ask the ringers to cease for 20 minutes; but when the trap door began to lift, the reverend conductor jumped heavily on to it, and resumed his place on the box. His identity might be discovered from the curate's exclamation of surprise, 'Oh! lor', James.' Tea at 7 p.m. in the High Street was enjoyed to the sound of a well-trained brass band, and the 8.12 train to Leighton Buzzard boarded.

Leighton Buzzard.—Rev. G. F. Hills, Vicar; Mr. J. Nicholls, foreman.

'The Plume of Feathers' offered us accommodation, and we were most homely here—thanks to Bertram Studley—with a room all to ourselves. Our members were divided in the morning, some going to Linslade Church to make up their morning band, and others to Leighton tower, less than a mile away. All Saints' Church is wide and spacious, having two transepts of similar proportion, with a central tower and spire (all in stone). The ringing room is consequently very large. Touches of Caters and Major were rung for Divine service at 11 a.m., assisted by Mr. A. Edwards, Foreman Nicholls, and Mrs. E. Brownsworth, the last of a war team of ladies taught by Mr. Nicholls and Mr. Bonfield, the local conductor, who, alas, has had to give up tower ringing on account of ill-health. Our grandfathers in the Exercise realised that one must feed well to work well, and this applies to ringing, especially when there's a week of it. The luncheon at 12.30 consisted of boiled leg of mutton—a favourite dish of the late Mr. W. W. Gifford's, who did some mighty work at the 'big end' in his day—in the tower?

Linslade (Bucks) and Leighton Buzzard (Beds), divided by the River Ouse, are now merged into one since the L. and N.W.R. made a station at the former parish. Linslade old church, now in ruins, is two miles away, surrounded by one or two old farmhouses. The modern church at Southcott made use of the bells from the old tower in its present ring. It was so badly planned that the ringing room possessed no window or ventilator until the Vicar, the Rev. W. B. Mahony, had two put in before leaving for Boyne Hill, Maidenhead. Mrs. L. Lydekker, wife of the present Vicar, is a daughter of the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, and both she and the Vicar evinced much interest in our visit. The foreman, Mr. J. Vickars, and Mr. J. Sears, 'yes, uncle,' to the Brothers Sears, of Bletchley, added their congratula-

(Continued in next column.)

## NOTICES.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1637).—The 285th Anniversary Dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 11th, at 6.30 p.m.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Yorktown District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Pirbright on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, tea and meeting to follow.—G. Miles, Hon. Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Market Deeping on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Tea will be provided at the Imperial Café at 5 p.m.—S. Proctor, 72, Bridge End Rd., Grantham.

LADIES' GUILD.—Midland District.—Annual meeting at Kinver on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available 3.30. Service 4.30. After service, tea and business meeting. Gentlemen invited.—Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The Annual meeting will be held at Preston on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Further particulars by circular.—W. H. Shaker and J. H. Banks, Hon. Secs.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be on Saturday, Sept. 30th, at Wigston. The bells (two rings of 8) will be available at 3 o'clock. Committee meet at 4.30. Tea will be at 5.30, followed by general meeting, in the Church School, Wigston Magna.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Heckfield on Saturday, Sept. 30th (visiting Sherfield en route). Tower open after tea. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30. Visit Rotherwick at about 6.30.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dist. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

GREASLEY.—Preliminary Notice.—The new peal at St. Mary's, Greasley, will be available for ringing on Saturday, September 30th, from 2.30 to 9 p.m. Tea at 4.30. All ringers are cordially invited.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Conisborough on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells (8) ready early. Tea provided for those who notify me before the 26th. A good attendance of members is desired, there being some important business to discuss. A hearty welcome to members of other Societies.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Gloucester Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Barnwood on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Business: Annual report and election of officers. Bells (8) from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea in schoolroom 5 o'clock. Trams from the Cross every 10 minutes.—Capt. A. A. Bennett, Hon. Sec., Newton House, London Road, Gloucester.

tions to the team on finishing the Major here. The Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was expected, but as a solace we found a Mr. Jenkins to introduce to our friends during the tour in the Master's absence. (To be continued.)

**LADIES' GUILD.**—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Isham, near Kettering, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. All desiring tea please notify Miss Hepburn, The Pines, Isham.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 17, Wellington Road, Enfield.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Wrington on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock and business meeting to follow.—Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at West Malling on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available at 3 p.m. A short service at 5 o'clock. Business meeting after the service.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Sec., Lower St., East Farleigh.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Grappenhall Branch.—The next Branch meeting will be held at Stretton on Saturday, Sept. 30th, commencing at 3.30 p.m.—Jno. E. Ashcroft, Hon. Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Reading Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Shiplake, Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells from 2 o'clock. Tea 4.45. Visitors the guests of the Vicar. Short service 6 o'clock, all ringers welcomed.—F. W. Hopgood, Hon. Sec., 75, Kensington Road, Reading.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—The next meeting will be held at Wooton, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. If possible it is hoped that all members will try and attend.—H. L. Harlow, District Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTON ASSOCIATION.**—Guilsborough District.—A Special meeting will be held at Watford, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock.—W. Bott, Hon. Sec., Guilsborough, Northants.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—The Autumn meeting will be held as usual at Royston, on Saturday, 30th September. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Ringers heartily welcomed.—F. R. Bacon, Sec., Hitchin.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northern Branch. The Annual meeting will be held at Gainsborough (8) on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available at 2.30. Service at 4 o'clock, preacher, Rev. H. T. Parry, of Bigby. Tea at 5 p.m. at the Co-operative Hall.—H. L. Pask, Hon. Sec., 28, The Strait, Lincoln.

**ALTERATION OF DATE OF MEETING.**—**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—The next meeting will be held at Great Bardfield on Sept. 30th. Service, 4 o'clock, with address, followed by tea at moderate charge. Kindly let me know not later than October 2nd.—Bert Redgwell, Hudson's Hill, Wethersfield, near Braintree.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly general meeting, St. Clement Danes, Monday, October 2nd, 6.30 p.m. Business meeting 8.15 p.m. Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement's, Oct. 16th and 30th; Wilton Road, Oct. 9th, at 7 p.m.; Bishopsgate, Oct. 23rd. Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Paul's Cathedral on Oct. 3rd and 31st; Southwark Cathedral on the 10th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames St., on the

12th and 26th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 17th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 19th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual General meeting will be held in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, Ipswich, on Wednesday, October 4th, at 2.30 p.m. The President, the Dean of Norwich, in the chair. The ring of bells at St. Mary-le-Tower (12), St. Margaret's (8), St. Clement's (6), St. Matthew's (5), St. Lawrence (5), will be open for the use of members throughout the day, excepting during the time of Divine service. Divine service will be conducted by the Dean of Norwich in the church of St. Mary-le-Tower at 12.30 p.m. The preacher, the Venerable A. R. Buckland, M.A., Archdeacon of Norfolk. The president and committee earnestly hope that all the members attending the annual meeting of the Association will be present at the service. Dinner will be served in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, at 1.30 p.m.; tickets 2s. 6d. each. Those who intend to be present at the dinner must without fail notify the General Secretary on or before Saturday, September 30th. Committee meeting will be held at 11.15 a.m. in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street. Members, District Secretaries and leaders of Companies are particularly requested to remit to the General Secretary all outstanding subscriptions, on or before September 30th.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Sec. and Treasurer, High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Wath on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells available at 2 p.m. Tea provided at the Church House at 5.30 for those who notify A. Panther, 25, Sandymount Road, not later than 3rd Oct., at 1/6 per head.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Sittingbourne on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5, conducted by the Rev. M. Allen. Tea provided by the Association, at Cremer's Restaurant, High Street, and business meeting to follow. Tea will only be provided for those who notify me by first post, October 4th. Tunstall (6) will be open after the meeting.—Fred M. Mitchell, Dis. Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Westbury, on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells (8) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.40. Tea at 5. Business meeting directly after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, on Saturday, Oct. 7th, 1922. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting, 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Tortworth, on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea 4.30.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bromyard District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Stoke Lacey, on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Short service 4.30. Tea provided for those only that let me know by Oct. 4th.—A. Tomkins, Bredenbury, Bromyard.



**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Whiston, Saturday, October 7th. Tea 1/3. Send numbers to Rev. A. G. Allen, Whiston Rectory, Rotherham.—J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Flixton on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting 7 o'clock.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch. The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 7th, at Todmorden Unitarian Church. Bells ready at 3. Meeting 6.30. Annual party at Balderstone on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Tickets, 2/6 and 2/3, from local Secretaries.—T. K. Driver, 31, Samuel Street, Middleton.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Wye on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells (8) available from 2.30. Tea arranged.—H. Balcombe, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at Westerham, on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea at 1/1 per head after service, followed by business meeting. Members requiring tea must notify the District Sec. not later than Tuesday, Oct. 3rd. Half travelling expenses up to 2/- each will be paid to members attending.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Milton on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells ready at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea by kind invitation of the Rector, Rev. B. E. Evans, to those who notify Mr. J. A. Townsend, Milton, before Oct. 10th.—S. J. Lawrence, Dis. Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Fryerning on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea in the Parish Room, kindly provided by the Rev. Canon Brown. Will all members intending to be present please notify Mr. A. Bradley, Dodd's Farm, Fryerning?—P. Timson, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Quarterly meeting will be held at Kinver on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available at 3. Service in church, with an address by the Rev. T. A. Cooper Slipper, Vicar, at 4.45. Tea (1/-) at 5.30. Please send word not later than Tuesday, Oct. 10th. Distribution of reports.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Bootle (6) on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells ready at 3.30. Service 5.30. Tea and meeting at 6. Members intending being present please send word to Sec. A good meeting is requested.—Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**CHURCH CONGRESS ASSEMBLY IN SHEFFIELD.**—Will visitors to the above Congress who are desirous of ringing on the Cathedral bells (12), kindly communicate with me as early as possible?—Colin Harrison, 41, Baltic Road, Sheffield.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. Harry Whittle has removed to 'Falcon Cottages,' 133, Nottingham Road, Loughborough. All communications re Stanford-on-Soor bells for peals, etc., should be sent to the above address.

## HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

SET OF 51 HANDBELLS, Chromatic Scale, F.26 to G.04, in good condition.—Price £25.—Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Stockport.

## SITUATIONS WANTED.

**CHANGE RINGER** requires Situation. Any position of trust. Excellent references. Available at once, London or suburbs preferred. Small pension from H.M. Household.—H. Dyas, 185, East Street Buildings, Baker Street, W.1.

Situation wanted as **FITTER**, good all round experience. Standard methods, any number.—L. W. Wiffen, Melrose House, Williams Avenue, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

## PUBLICATIONS.

'**AMONG THE BELLS.**'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

'**THE BELLRINGER.**'—No. 6, Vol. 1, March 1st, 1907.—Can anyone please supply me with one copy of the above paper? Reasonable charge will be paid for same.—James George, 4, Stirling Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham.

# ALFRED BOWELL, CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.

## YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



# BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,  
COVENTRY.**





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

**Leading Church Bell Hangers.**

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

## JAS. E. GROVES,

**CHURCH BELL**

**HANGER,**

43, Malvern Road,  
Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

'ROPE-SIGHT,' 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

'GRANDSIRE,' 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

'STANDARD METHODS,' 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

'STEDMAN,' 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

'TREBLE BOB,' 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

'DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.'—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

*Splicing and Repairs*

**JOHN PRITCHARD,**

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,

LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½ in. 2¾ in. 3½ in. 3¾ in. 4 in. 4½ in. 5 in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 78/- 98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specialty Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Bell House Publishing Co., Ltd., Broom's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 603. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6th, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

## THE LEEDS GATHERING.

Yorkshire has been the home of many pioneers of ringing, and, for a century past, there have sprung up from time to time in the county men who have made a name, either for their researches or their practical work. It is to a Yorkshireman that the present generation of ringers owes more, probably, than to any other individual, for the standard text books of to-day are the works of Jasper Whitfield Snowdon. He adopted a method of explaining the mysteries of the art which has enabled thousands of ringers to make their first step in change ringing, and for this reason he stands pre-eminent among writers upon the subject. His name is known wherever change ringing exists, it is revered in the county of his birth, where there are still many who enjoyed personal contact with that man of athletic frame, unbounded enthusiasm and active mind. He was one of the founders and the first president of the Yorkshire Association, and it is fitting that, in establishing an annual gathering of ringers in the North, to correspond in type with the functions held in London, Birmingham and Bristol, Yorkshire ringers should seek to associate with it the memory of Jasper Snowdon.

Other great names in ringing, like those of the Hattersleys and the Lockwoods, now gone to their rest, have been household words in Yorkshire ringing circles; and the debt which the Association owes to these departed giants, will now find expression at the annual gathering which was so successfully initiated on Saturday week. The dinner at Leeds drew men from all over the broad county and a good sprinkling of visitors from outside. It was a most enjoyable function, and after such an admirable beginning, will doubtless grow into one of the most important social gatherings for ringers in the Kingdom. There has been nothing of the same kind previously north of Birmingham, and there was ample room for such a function in that part of the country. Yorkshiremen will, naturally, be always ready to do honour to those departed friends with whom they have had such close and endearing ties, but the opportunity of paying homage to the memory of men like Jasper Snowdon and Charles Hattersley will appeal to many, far beyond the borders of the county. Their work was universal in its scope. Ringers, wherever change ringing is known, have benefited, and will continue to benefit, from the result of their ungrudging labours; and it is good to know that not only have old companions the opportunity of gathering together to keep green the memory of such men, but that, if it is continued, this dinner will serve in the years to come to remind future ringers of what has been done by some of their predecessors in the past to extend the art and spread knowledge.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 186, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS  
On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, CORNHILL.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5005 CHANGES;**

Tenor 41 cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS... ..	Treble	THOMAS NEWMAN ... ..	7
REGINALD BROUGH ... ..	2	ALFRED H. WINCH ... ..	8
*JESSE TYLER ... ..	3	GEORGE CARD ... ..	9
ARTHUR N. HARDY ... ..	4	HARRY SEAR ... ..	10
JOHN SPARROW ... ..	5	†WALTER AYRE ... ..	11
WILBY J. HAZELL ... ..	6	FRANK SMITH ... ..	Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by JOHN D. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal on 12 and first attempt. † First peal of Cinques.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.  
On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON, STEPNEY.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;**

Tenor 31 cwt.

RICHARD HAYES ... ..	Treble	WILSON RUSHION ... ..	6
WILLIAM S. LANGDON ... ..	2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... ..	7
CHARLES HAZELDEN ... ..	3	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... ..	8
HERBERT LANGDON ... ..	4	THOMAS LANGDON ... ..	9
JAMES SCHOLES ... ..	5	MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SAWLBY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF DUFFIELD MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9½ cwt.

ALLEN R. HICKTON ... ..	Treble	ALBERT H. WARD ... ..	5
CHARLES E. HART ... ..	2	ARTHUR BRAINES... ..	6
JOSEPH BAILEY ... ..	3	W. RICHARD DRAGE ... ..	7
W. A. JAMES ... ..	4	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

JAMES F. GEORGE ... ..	Treble	A. B. MOSS ... ..	5
ALLEN R. HICKTON ... ..	2	JOHN C. DICKEN ... ..	6
JOSEPH BAILEY ... ..	3	ALBERT H. WARD ... ..	7
W. A. JAMES... ..	4	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed by JAMES PAGETT. Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

BOKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

*ALFRED TOMLINSON ... ..	Treble	*JOHN H. HUMPHRIES ... ..	5
*BERNARD DITCHER ... ..	2	CHARLES SEVERN ... ..	6
HARRY GREAVES ... ..	3	PERCY J. JERVIS... ..	7
*CYRIL BOOTH ... ..	4	WILLIAM H. TURTON ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by W. H. TURTON.

\* First peal in the Oxford Variation.

DOWNE, KENT. — On Thursday, August 31st, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: J. Grandfield 1, H. Reader 2, J. Hack (conductor) 3, O. Gilbey 4, F. Keech 5, J. Brown 6.—720 Merchant's Return: J. Grandfield 1, H. Reader (conductor) 2, J. Hack 3, O. Gilbey 4, H. Brown 5, F. Keech 6.

### HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Sept. 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM H. STENNING ... Treble	GEORGE LUCAS ... 5
ERNEST BISH ... 2	WILLIAM C. HART ... 6
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... 3	ALFRED J. TURNER ... 7
JOHN FRIST ... 4	KEITH HART ... Tenor

Composed by GEORGE WILLIAMS. Conducted by KEITH HART.

### BIRSTAL, YORKSHIRE.

#### THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 22½ cwt.

*GEORGE A. PICKERING ... Treble	PERCY J. JOHNSON ... 5
*RICHARD THOMPSON ... 2	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... 6
JAMES R. KEMP ... 3	WILLIAM W. SINCLAIR ... 7
WILLIAM H. BARBER ... 4	ROBERT RICHARDS ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. The band take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells at short notice.

### NORTHAMPTON.

#### THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Sept. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 18 cwt.

FRED HOPPER ... Treble	FRED WILFORD ... 5
MAURICE SMITH ... 2	JOHN HENSMAN ... 6
WILLIAM ROGERS ... 3	TOM TEBBUTT ... 7
BERTIE O. SODEN ... 4	ALFRED MONK ... Tenor

Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.

Quickest peal on the bells.

### BUSHEY HEATH, HERTS.

#### THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*WILLIAM SEELEY ... Treble	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... 5
GEORGE R. PYE ... 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... 6
CHARLES T. COLES ... 3	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD ... 7
MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... 4	WILLIAM PYE ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* 50th peal. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung on the eve of the harvest festival. The band wish to thank the Rev. and Mrs. Barker for their kind hospitality after the peal.

### TORQUAY, DEVON.

#### THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(MID-DEVON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, BABBACOMBE,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb.

E. SHEPHERD ... Treble	J. C. OKE ... 5
*MRS. F. T. GOVER ... 2	F. T. GOVER ... 6
†A. L. BENNETT ... 3	H. J. HOLE ... 7
*J. S. COLLINGS ... 4	*F. E. PARNELL ... Tenor

Conducted by E. SHEPHERD.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal in the method. Ringers of treble and 5th hail from Exeter, 3rd from Buckfastleigh, the remainder from Paignton. Mrs. Gover is the first lady ringer to ring a peal of Triples on tower bells in Devon. The band were afterwards kindly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Gover at their residence to a high tea, which was much appreciated by all.

### BARTHOMLEY, CHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BERTHOLINE,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

*WILLIAM EDGE ... Treble	CHARLES H. PAGE ... 5
GEORGE H. CRAWLEY ... 2	JOHN BRASSINGTON ... 6
JAMES H. RIDING ... 3	ARTHUR ALLMAN ... 7
*RICHARD D. LANGFORD ... 4	ALBERT CRAWLEY ... Tenor

C.C. Collection 32.

Composed by F. HOPGOOD. Conducted by A. CRAWLEY.

\* First peal in the method. First peal of Major as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

### BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

*EDWARD CAUNCE ... Treble	FRANK SHAW ... 5
*GEORGE R. NEWTON ... 2	WILLIAM RILEY ... 6
JAMES SHAW ... 3	JAMES HOULDSWORTH ... 7
ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH ... 4	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... Tenor

Composed by the REV. H. L. JAMES. Conducted by J. HOULDSWORTH.

\* First peal in the method. Treble and 2nd ringers hail from Liverpool, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th from Oswaldtwistle, tenor from Blackburn. Arranged specially for the Liverpool men.

### HINGHAM, NORFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

ROBERT HARDY ... Treble	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... 5
FRANK H. DAVEY ... 2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... 6
CECIL V. EBERSON ... 3	GEORGE MAYERS ... 7
TONY PRICE ... 4	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

First peal in the method on an 'inside' bell by the ringer of the 4th.

### STOKE, COVENTRY.

#### THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

*THOMAS A. HASTINGS ... Treble	FRANK E. PERVIN ... 5
WILLIAM J. SMITH ... 2	EDWARD H. JOHNSON ... 6
OSWALD J. HUNT ... 3	WILLIAM T. COX ... 7
*JOSEPH F. SIMPSON ... 4	ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT.

Conducted by A. ROBERTS.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung for the patronal festival and on the eve of the harvest festival.

### PENTRE, RHONDDA.

#### THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

GEORGE WINES ... Treble	THOMAS HAMLIN ... 5
GEORGE CROSS ... 2	TOM PAGE ... 6
FREDERICK LASBURY ... 3	HARRY PAGE ... 7
JAMES CROSS ... 4	WILLIAM PAGE ... Tenor

Composed by F. HOLDEN.

Conducted by HARRY PAGE.

This peal was rung to welcome home the Vicar and his bride from their honeymoon.

BROMLEY, KENT.—On Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for morning service, at the Parish Church, the last 700 of 'Holt's Original': T. S. Knight 1, P. Spice 2, A. James 3, G. Hasnip 4, G. Durling (conductor) 5, G. Huxley 6, R. Brett-Smith 7, F. F. Scott 8.



## EDMONTON.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

CHARLES V. HARE ... .. Treble	NORMAN A. TOMLINSON ... .. 5
*ALICK CUTLER ... .. 2	JOHN ARMSTRONG ... .. 6
WALTER J. BOWDEN ... .. 3	JAMES PARKER ... .. 7
GEORGE RADLEY ... .. 4	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

\* First peal in the method.

## MARKET DRAYTON, SALOP.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*ALAN M. HICKMAN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 5
RICHARD T. HOLDING ... .. 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... .. 6
HARRY F. HOLDING ... .. 3	WILLIAM WEATHERBY ... .. 7
HARRY OVERTON ... .. 4	GEORGE HALL ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by E. V. RODENHURST.

\* First peal of Triples. Rung in honour of the feast of St. Michael and All Angels.

## BOKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

HARRY GREAVES ... .. Treble	CYRIL BOOTH ... .. 5
BERNARD DITCHER ... .. 2	T. A. HOWES-SMITH ... .. 6
GEORGE BURNHAM ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. TURTON ... .. 7
PERCY J. JERVIS ... .. 4	CHARLES SEVERN ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by CHARLES SEVERN.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to Mrs. G. Marsden, widow of the late George Marsden.

## TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. Treble	*HECTOR G. BIRD ... .. 5
*WALTER H. EVANS ... .. 2	*CYRIL WINWOOD ... .. 6
SAMUEL J. HUGHES ... .. 3	WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 7
ABRAHAM GREENFIELD ... .. 4	REUBEN HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM FISHER.

\* First peal.

## PERRY BAR, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

*RICHARD INGRAM ... .. Treble	†FREDERICK W. RISHWORTH ... .. 5
GEORGE T. MITCHISON ... .. 2	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 6
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 3	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 7
OLIVER G. NORMAN ... .. 4	ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method away from the tenor.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## ALDEBURGH-ON-SEA, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Plain Bob, Single Oxford Bob, Kent, Woodbine and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.

FRANCIS W. NADNTON ... Treble	HARRY HALL ... .. 4
*ALFRED H. WAYSON ... .. 2	GEORGE LEE ... .. 5
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 3	ALBERT J. LINCOLN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

\* First peal in seven methods 'inside.' Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## MARTLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob & Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.

*JAMES WOODYAT ... .. Treble	JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... .. 4
ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 2	SIDNEY T. HOLT ... .. 5
WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 3	CHARLES CANN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by S. T. HOLT.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as conductor. This was the quarterly peal for the Western Branch.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## HARWICH, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Sept. 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by CALEB FENN. Conducted by the performer.  
Witness: R. GARNETT.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5005 CHANGES;

Tenor size 18 in G.

ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 1—2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 5—6
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 3—4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 7—8
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 9—10	

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.  
Witness: H. PEARSON.

## FEERING, ESSEX.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT RYE MILL FARM,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

FRANK CLAYDON ... .. 1—2	WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. 5—6
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOOTHAM ... .. 3—4	*CYRIL PEASE ... .. 7—8

Composed by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE. Conducted by WM. KEEBLE.

\* First peal on handbells and first in the method. The composition, a one-part, contains the 6th 20 times W. and 24 times R.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

ALFRED BOWELL,  
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,  
IPSWICH.

## THE OXFORD GUILD TOUR.

By W. H. F.

(Continued from page 621.)

Sunday evening was spent in a visit to a prominence — Tunnell Hill—midway between Old and New Linlade, commanding fine views of the Dunstable and Luton district. Towards dusk we were to be found preening our fine feathers at 'The Plume' round the supper table, preparatory to taking to our feather beds, fortified by the arrival of Mr. J. H. Shepherd.

Leighton Buzzard, Monday, Sept. 11th.—The church entrance gates form one side of a rectangle, with the High Street opposite, and commanding business premises on either side. The Golden Bell brought a group of men together near its doors at 10 a.m., the hour of assembly; not to enter it, but to visit the post office adjoining so that distant friends and relations might have local view cards. Residents unaccustomed to Monday groups of men in their square guessed that their bells were to be set ageing, and afterwards spoke favourably of the performance here. The Golden Bell, a gentle reminder of bygone days—of Moses and his outer garment—served a good purpose in recent centuries. One of its private rooms was wont to be used for choir practices, to the accompaniment of a viol or clarionet, presided over by the Vicar. We wondered if they had in those days to clear their throats so frequently as the bell ringers are credited with the habit.

Before starting to ring it was mutually agreed by those visitors who did not belong to the Bedford Association to apply for the privilege of membership. This was formally proposed by Mr. Sharman, and seconded by Mr. Novard, and the necessary fee for seven men handed over. Judging by the peal boards in the belfry, and the fact that a good many of the local men belong to it, this district would appear to have been one of the happy hunting grounds of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths, London, and it was only on booking up our Royal that I found the majority of the team to-day were also members. At an adjacent village, called Hockcliffe, is a garage named 'The Dug Out,' needless to say, run by one of the little army of contemptibles, and at 3.30 we were supplied by a vehicle which held our party—excepting two members, Hart and Williams, who cycled—and we left the town with 'three plumes up.'

Woburn.—Rev. W. V. C. White, Vicar. Mr. S. A. Avis, foreman. We duly arrived here safely—via Hockcliffe, with its pretty church and set of pre-Reformation bells—in good time to begin preparations for our fourth attempt. Met by the Brothers Herbert, and several local ringers, we received favourable comments upon the Stedman accomplished here. The church is a most beautiful modern building erected by the Duke of Bedford in the grounds of his park. Kept scrupulously clean, the condition of the belfry and its approaches equals that of the chancel. The large bell—55 cwt., cast in 1868—was re-used with the ring of bells from the old church to make the present grand octave in 1910. The Simpson tuning is absent, and the architects wisely adopted an old process when putting in a 'plaster' ceiling to the ringing room. The peace, the comfort of ringing here can only be appreciated fully by those who have rung at Woburn. District change ringers are meeting here in good numbers for 'Surprise' practices, and Mr. Editor will be asked to publish a local peal of 'London' in the near future.

Bletchley.—Rev. F. W. Bennett, Rector. Mr. H. Sear, foreman. We reached the town of Bletchley in time for supper, and dividing our forces between the Eight Bells and the Park Hotels, as one house could not accommodate us all, our numbers having been augmented by the arrival of Mr. Jas. George, of Edgbaston. The brothers Harry and Walter Sear joined us for a chat and final arrangements for the stay of two nights, and we were indebted to Walter, hon. secretary of the North Bucks Branch, for much assistance in this end of the county. The handbells were brought out before going to bed, and an octave used; it would have been uncourteous to Mine Host of the Eight Bells not to have done so. Bletchley Church bells are out of repair, and in deference to the wishes of the Vicar, the strong restoration committee, and the local ringers, the peal question was abandoned. St Mary's Church is approached through a fine avenue of very ancient yews, and is built of stone, mostly in the Perpendicular style, some portions being early 12th century. There is a fine embattled western tower with clock and eight bells. The peal was renovated at a cost of £125 in 1893, the tenor bell, 18 cwt., being recast.

Olney, Tuesday, Sept. 12th.—The Rev. H. Beacham, Vicar. Mr. Frank Boswell, foreman. A very bright morning, too much so to last. We went out with an enjoyable view of the valley of the River Ouse, and returned in the dark and a drizzle, with a couple more peals to our credit. In Domesday this ancient place was called 'Olnei,' and consists of one long main street and a market-place midway. Near the railway station the town has much grown, its prosperity being due to the boot and shoe trade. The stone spire is 185 feet high. The trebles to complete the octave of bells were added in 1903 from a bequest of £250 by Thomas Eyles for this purpose. A very fine Perpendicular roof was destroyed in about 1800, for the

sake of its lead, which was sold to pay for repairs. William Cowper, the poet, on leaving Huntingdon, resided here 1767 to 1788. According to tradition the poet composed his ballad of 'John Gilpin' whilst living at Olney. We had an interesting chat with the Vicar, examined the fillet holes and the gudgeons of the bells, etc., and raised the peal whilst waiting for the cyclists. Mr. Hart was delayed at Newport by brake trouble, several constables having been much interested in his motor bike on the highway for two days past, but Mr. Hart did not know Inspector Callaway was a 'Slough' (slow) man, like Keith himself, when he is calling Thursans. During the peal I noticed our 'bantam' weight, Mr. Williams, was occasionally off his feet a few inches. My own bell 'went' when it was pulled—there was no need to say 'pull it,' or pulling—but it refused to come back if my neighbour George was anywhere near. Mr. Brooks, a confectioner in High Street, provided a hot lunch, and we were not exactly dry, although the peal was not ended till long after 'closing' time. We all sincerely hoped that Brooks would never run dry, and came away smiling at 3.40 p.m. The only resemblance to a 'pussyfoot' was our organiser, who endeavoured to leave Olney without paying the bill.

Newport Pagnell.—Rev. L. Moxon, Vicar. Mr. F. C. Tompkins, foreman. News of an abandoned attempt recently, owing to a bad going bell here, did not comfort anyone. After 20 minutes' going to Superlative we found the peal running well, and one of the best performances during the week was brought round. This peal of bells was new in 1911, most of the expenses being borne by the late Mr. Fred Taylor. Had the local ringers thought fit at the time, the ring could have been made up to ten. Mr. Taylor, who died in his 83rd year, was a great lover of the bells (chimes were originally instituted in 1887, when there were nine bells). He would always have the windows of his house open on ringing nights so that he might hear them better, even up to the last.

(To be continued.)

## DEATH OF A COALBROOKDALE RINGER.

On Monday, the 18th Sept., the sad news reached Coalbrookdale that Mr. Herbert Bailey had passed away at the Ministry of Pensions Hospital, Orpington, Kent. The deceased, who was 31 years of age, was one of the Territorials for several years previous to 1914, and when war was declared he at once volunteered for active service. He was drafted to Hong Kong, and from thence to India. While there he contracted fever, which developed into a severe nervous breakdown. He was eventually invalided home, but up to the time of his death never fully recovered.

Mr. Bailey joined the Coalbrookdale ringers in 1907, when the band were at a very low ebb. It was about this time that a real effort was being made to raise the standard of change ringing at the tower, and the first peal of Grandsire Triples to be rung by a complete Coalbrookdale band was rung on July 17th, 1909. Mr. Bailey rang the treble to this peal. He rang six peals in all, four of Grandsire and two of Stedman. One of the Grandsire peals was rung half-muffled to the memory of the late King Edward. He was a most regular and consistent ringer of the band till joining up for war service.

Mr. Bailey was buried at Orpington on Thursday, Sept. 21st. During the afternoon the flag was at half-mast on Holy Trinity Church, Coalbrookdale. As a mark of respect to his memory, his old colleagues met on Wednesday evening and rang, half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 46 minutes: Bert Rixom 1, R. Evans 2, J. Hanley 3, L. Hewitt 4, R. Jones 5, W. Saunders 6, J. Garbett 7, A. Garbett 8. Composed by John Carter, and conducted by William Wase (first quarter-peal of Stedman as conductor). Also 1,008 Grandsire Triples, in 37 minutes, composed and conducted by W. Lago. A very fine course of Grandsire Caters was also rung, double-handed, on handbells by Messrs. Rixom 1—2, Wase 3—4, Lago 5—6, Saunders 7—8, Bayley 9—10. It is interesting to note that twelve local ringers were present on this occasion, all remembering how many happy hours their deceased brother ringers had spent amongst them. Mr. Bailey, besides his work as a ringer, also did much to brighten the ringing chamber of Coalbrookdale.

## A SUNDAY PRACTICE MEETING.

A useful practice meeting, arranged by Mr. J. Larter, was held at Cratfield Parish Church, Suffolk, on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 17th. Thirteen ringers attended, representing eleven parishes, viz.: G. A. Wightman and J. Gardner (Cratfield), C. Parnell and G. Baxter (Beccles), J. Larter (Henham), J. Hall (Framlingham), W. Emery (Laxfield), J. Garrett (Badingham), J. Jolly (Bramfield), W. Kerrison (Wissett), J. Ford (Brampton), E. Cook (Stoven), A. Lee (Halesworth).

Touches of Kent, Oxford and Worcester Treble Bob, Plain Bob and Double Court Minor and Stedman Doubles were rung, conducted by J. Hall and J. Larter, and finishing with a 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, conducted by A. Lee. Six of the company then journeyed to Halesworth, and took part in short touches of Kent Treble Bob and Bob Major and Grandsire Triples for the evening service.

## NEW BELLS AT GREASLEY, NOTTS. NEW PEAL OF EIGHT OPENED.

Greasley Parish Church is now in proud possession of a fine peal of eight bells, which, from the ideal position of the church, will send out their melodious sounds over the lovely countryside for many years to come. Up to November of last year there hung in this tower, on a wooden framework bearing the date 1699, a peal of five bells. Through the course of time the framework had become dilapidated, and on calling in expert advice it was deemed unsafe to ring the bells. The Church Council agreed to rehang and refit the peal, and placed the work in the capable hands of Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough fame.

Through the generosity of Mr. C. W. Phillips, of The Grange, Eastwood, a new bell, in memory of his mother, was given, augmenting the peal to six. The bell experts of Loughborough advised the recasting of the old treble and second to make a good peal. After a great deal of consideration by the Council, and several visits to Loughborough, it was decided to recast those two bells. Mrs. Hanson, of 'Cloverlands,' Kimberley, kindly defrayed the cost of recasting the old treble, and the church arranged for the recasting of the second.

The peal was further augmented to eight by the addition of two new trebles, given in memory of their brother, the late John William Fryar, by the generosity of the Misses Fryar.

The old 3rd bell did not give satisfaction to Messrs. Taylor, and a visit to the bell foundry by a representative body of the Church Council was paid. On hearing the bells tapped it was agreed to recast this—the 3rd—bell, the cost of which has been borne by a person who, at present, wishes to remain anonymous.

Now that the work is completed and the bells are ringing forth in their rejuvenated state, there is no doubt that they are a beautiful, sweet and pure-toned peal, the effect of which can only evoke admiration from all.

The fittings are of the latest design, and contain all those improvements which have been introduced by Messrs. Taylor and Co. in recent years, including the patent ball bearings in which the bells revolve. The framework carrying the bells is very strong and massive, but at the same time neat, and a great improvement on the unsightly old wooden framework. It is constructed of cast iron on stout steel foundation girders, all designed so that the strain placed on the tower by the oscillation of the bells is reduced to a minimum.

### THE BELLS.

Two of the old bells bore inscriptions, and these have been reproduced on the recast bells. These and other inscriptions are as follows:—

- Treble.—To the glory of God and in loving memory of John William Fryar of this parish. Died August 19th, 1915.
- 2nd.—Same as the treble.
- 3rd.—To the glory of God this bell was given by C. W. Phillips in memory of his mother, 1922.
- 4th.—Recast 1922. By Mary Ann Hanson, of Kimberley.
- 5th.—G. Hedder, of Nottingham, made me 1793. Recast 1922.
- 6th.—Dulcis O Sisto O Males O Vocor O Campana O Gabrielus O William O Founder.
- 7th.—John Taylor and Co., Founders, Loughborough, 1869.
- 8th.—Same as 7th.

The opening of the bells took place on Wednesday, September 27th, and the church was packed to its utmost capacity. The Lord Bishop of Southwell dedicated and blessed the bells. After the dedication and blessing a few rounds were rung on the new peal. The service was then continued, and the Bishop gave a most appropriate address.

After the service the bells were rung by a mixed band, including several local men, the first touches being conducted by Mr. J. E. Hobbs (Greasley), 252 Spliced Treble Bob Major and 112 Bob Major, conducted by Mr. E. C. Gobe, followed.

On Saturday, September 30th, the bells were available for ringing from 2.30 until 9, and over 50 ringers assembled to enjoy the new peal. Mr. A. Coppock, of Beeston, acted as Ringing Master, and fulfilled his duties most efficiently. At 4.30 the ringers present were photographed by Mr. Hunt, and following this a short service was held in the church. Mr. Coppock contributed a solo, and the service was much enjoyed. Tea was then served in the Parish Room, and everyone did full justice to a fine spread, kindly given by the Vicar and his sister.—Mr. Coppock proposed, and Mr. Flint, of Bolsover, seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and his sister for their hospitality, and also one to the ladies for their work.

A course of Grandshire Cafers was rung on handbells by Rev. F. R. Wilkinson 1—2, A. H. Ward 3—4, A. Braines 5—6, J. Oldham 7—8, J. Hunt 9—10. The belfry was again visited, and some well-struck touches rung. The company present came from Bolsover, Beeston, Cotgrave, Derby, Mansfield, Arksey, Selston, Ilkeston, Breaston, Sutton, Swanwick, Basford, Bulwell, and the local ringers. The touches rung ranged from Grandshire Triples to London Surprise. All who rang greatly admired the peal, their musical qualities and the 'go' being excellent.

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. MEETING AT HARWORTH.

Harworth is a township, and situated two miles E.S.E. of Tickhill, and 2½ miles W.S.W. of Blyth. It is principally the property of Viscount Galway, who is lord of the manor. The church, dedicated to All Saints, is an ancient fabric, with a tower in which are six sweet-toned bells (tenor 10 cwt.), a new treble having been put in in 1893. The church was built about the 12th century, except the chancel, which was erected in 1672. In repairing the building in 1828, an arched recess was discovered in the wall, with a cupboard containing a garland, a cribbage board, and several other articles of a more sacred character. At the same time a handsome cross was found in the churchyard, and is now placed above the east window. In 1856 the interior was repewed and furnished with a new pulpit and reading desk. There is accommodation for about 200 people. In the churchyard lies an ancient stone coffin. The Church of 'Harewade,' with the Chapels of Serleby and Morton were granted by King John to the Church of Roan, with many others, as part of the Chapelry of Blyth, but in the 6th year of Edward VI.'s reign they were granted to the Earl of Shrewsbury.

It was at this picturesque spot that the North Notts ringers assembled on Saturday week, in response to the kind invitation of the Vicar (the Rev. R. D'Arblay Burney), and to welcome the initiation of the Harworth ringers as members of the Association.

The day was gloriously fine. Business duties kept some faithful members away, but the muster nevertheless was a good one, some of the most enthusiastic arriving on 'Shank's pony.' Thirteen towers were represented, viz., Anston, Barlboro', Blyth, Harworth, Shireoaks, Tickhill, Gainsboro', Tuxford, Lancham, East and West Retford, Ordsall, and Workop, and there were also non-resident members present. Anston tower was well represented, Mr. Turner bringing with him his most promising and enthusiastic son, Gordon, aged 11 years, who conducted most of the touches and 720's from Treble Bob to Surprise. It was a pleasant surprise to a large concourse of onlookers in the tower to hear the shrill treble voice calling out the bobs so accurately, and pointing out errors to those who made mistakes. He conducted very cleverly indeed, and it is hoped that more will be seen of him at the meetings now that he has been made a member of the Association.

At 5 p.m. the ringers were met at the new Institute by the Vicar and Mrs. O. Revill, and her staff of assistants, who had prepared an excellent meat tea, to which 40 sat down.

The Vicar subsequently presided over the business meeting, and in the course of a neat little speech, gave a most hearty welcome to all. He said that was a day looked forward to by him, a day of gladness, and one to be proud of. He quite willingly joined the Association as a vice-president about ten years ago, at the solicitation of the present hon. secretary, and now he rejoiced because his ringers had fallen into line, and added another tower to the Association (applause). He also thanked the hon. secretary for what he had done in providing them with an instructor, and looked forward to good results. He spoke of the good work the Association was doing, as it brought people together, who might never have met otherwise. Speaking of Harworth, he said all would have noticed the great change and alteration which was taking place, and the population was rapidly increasing. He was afraid the tower would not stand the peal being increased to eight bells, so they would have to be content with six; but several good ringers were coming amongst them, one of whom was present at the meeting.

Two new members were elected, Master Gordon Turner, of Anston, and Mr. William Russon, of Shireoaks.

The next meeting will be held at Anston in November. The Secretary brought forward the question (of which previous notice had been given) of making a grant to the Sutton-on-Trent Bell Restoration Committee, on account of the most trying period through which they passed on August Bank Holiday, when the Sports and Gala Committee were giving the proceeds for the new bells, and when everything was a complete 'wash-out,' the deluge causing the fête to be a miserable fiasco.—Mr. Haigh proposed, and Mr. Stenton seconded, that the sum of £5 be granted, and it was unanimously carried.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for presiding over the tea and meeting, and for the use of bells.—The Vicar suitably responded, and this concluded the business.

The ringers attended evensong which followed, and the bells were again utilised until 9 p.m. The following methods were rung: Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford, City Delight, Duke of York, Violet, Killamash, Kitchener, and Cambridge and Wells Surprise, the last of the day being a 720 of Kitchener Surprise, conducted by Gordon Turner. H. Haigh 1, W. Platts 2, H. Stenton 3, H. Turner 4, S. Smith 5, C. F. Fowler 6. The bells were lowered beautifully in peal by the Harworth ringers. Afterwards one or two toasts were honoured, and ringers' birthdays celebrated, and another red-letter day was added to the Association's record.

MANSFIELD.—On Sept. 10th. 504 Stedman Triples: C. Carr 1, Rev. R. F. Wilkinson 2, J. Bleby 3, A. Dent 4, F. May 5, H. Allsop 6, T. Bettison (conductor) 7, C. Randall 8.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****WESTERN DIVISION MEETING.**

A quarterly meeting of the Western Division was held at West Grinstead on Saturday week. It was most successful, and despite the threatening weather members were present from the following towers: Brighton, Billingshurst. Heene Shipley, Horley, Slinfold, Hove, Itchingfield, and the local band. The meeting was also favoured by the presence of the Master of the Association (Mr. J. Thornton Rickman). Some very good courses and touches were rung during the afternoon, including the following methods: Violet, Woodbine, Kent, London Scholars, Carlisle, Cambridge and London Surprise.

At 5 o'clock the party adjourned to the Burrell Arms, where an excellent tea was provided.

At the business meeting which followed, the Rector of West Grinstead (Canon Irton Smith) presided. The following new members were elected: Messrs. Alfred Rice and Edward Mills, of Itchingfield, and Canon Irton Smith was elected an hon. member.—It was proposed to hold the next meeting at Chichester.

A vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for granting the use of the bells, and for presiding.

The members then made their way back to the tower, where various methods were rung until the time arrived to depart by bicycle and train to their various destinations. It is always a pleasure to hold a meeting in that part of the county, members being always sure of ringing a variety of methods, and thanks are due to Mr. H. Turrell for making the necessary arrangements for the gathering.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

A successful meeting of the Biggleswade District was held at Old Warden on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Ringing commenced about 3 p.m., with Plain Bob. Fourteen sat down to tea, members being present from Biggleswade, Sandy, Northill, Roxton, Polton, Bedford, and Turvey.

Mr. W. Inskip, of Polton, presided at the business meeting, and referred to the great loss Polton ringers had sustained by the death of Mr. W. Compton, who for many years had been a member of the Association.—A vote of condolence was passed by all present, standing.

One new member was elected, and Northill was chosen for the next meeting.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and Mr. J. Vintner for having everything ready, was passed, and the

tower was then again visited, the bells being kept going till 8 o'clock. The methods practised were Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Woodbine, Double Court Bob, and Grandsire Doubles, for the benefit of the young members.

A most pleasant meeting of the Bedford District was held at Wootton on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Mr. F. Webb presided, and members were present from Bedford, Woburn, Turvey, Cranfield, Roxton, Clifton, Elstow, Clapham and Kempston.—It was proposed to hold the annual district meeting at Bedford on Saturday, November 18th, for the election of officers, etc., and notice will appear in due course in 'The Ringing World'.—A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells brought a good meeting to a close. The methods rung during the afternoon ranged from Stedman Doubles to Cambridge Surprise Minor.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.****NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.**

A quarterly meeting of the North Bucks Branch was held at Emberton on Saturday, Sept. 9th, when a fairly representative gathering of members attended considering that the tower lies very wide, in the extreme north of the branch. The following bands were represented: Bletchley, Beachampton, Calverton, Newport Pagnell, Stony Stratford, Olney, and the local ringers. The bells were set going at 2.30 p.m., and later a service was held, when an address was given by the Vicar of Emberton (the Rev. C. B. Hulton). The chairman of the branch (the Rev. L. Moxon, of Newport Pagnell) also attended. Tea was held in the School Room, and had been prepared by the wives of the ringers. Full justice was done to the good things provided.

After tea, the Secretary reported that there was no special business to be transacted, and after a few questions had been asked, and satisfactorily answered by the secretary, the Rev. C. B. Hulton was elected an honorary member of the branch, with two more ringing members from Olney.—The Secretary proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. C. B. Hulton for kindly allowing the meeting to be held, also to the ladies for providing the tea, etc.—The motion was suitably responded to, and an adjournment made to the towers of Emberton and Olney. The methods rung on the six and eight bells were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich Major, Plain Bob, Double Court, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge and London Surprise Minor.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES. MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The first peal of Stedman Cinques was rung at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on October 6th, 1788.

On October 6th, 1849, died William Booth, of Sheffield, born in the year 1783. He was the grandfather of the late Mr. C. H. Hattersley, and rang 3-4 to the first handbell peals of Oxford Treble Bob Major, Royal and Maximus, the Major being the first 'double-handed' peal ever rung. That was in 1811.

The first 'clerical' ten-bell peal was a peal of Stedman Caters rung at St. Mary's, Warwick, on October 11th, 1910.

The new peal of twelve at Taunton will be opened at 3 p.m. on October 21st.

In the only triangular tower in England, All Saints', Maldon, Essex, there now hangs a peal of eight bells. Formerly there were six, but Mr. Alfred Howell, of Ipswich, has added two trebles and rehung the whole in a massive steel frame. The dedication took place last week.

There are now a limited number of the Central Council's publication upon the preservation of bells to be obtained from the hon. librarian, the Rev. O. W. O. Jenkyn, Broadlands, Caversham. These copies are the surplus from those placed in the hands of association secretaries for sale, and ringers desirous of obtaining a copy are advised to make early application. The list and prices of the Council's publications will be found in an advertisement.

Mr. George Baker, of Brighton, is just recovering from an operation for appendicitis, and ringers will wish him a speedy return to health.

Mr. C. H. Jennings, who has done so much splendid work for the Salisbury Guild, in the Dorchester Branch, is still at Ashton Court Hospital, Bristol, where he has been for many months suffering from the effects of the late war.

The attempt by Mr. E. Morris, of Harwich, to tap 10,000 of Bob Major on Saturday next, has had to be abandoned for the present. On Sunday he slipped and fell on the belfry steps, and so badly bruised his back that he has had to keep his bed for two or three days. Curiously enough, a few moments before the accident, Mr. Morris had warned two probationers against slipping on the steps.

## 600 PEALS.

The peal of Stedman Cinques at High Wycombe, rung during the Oxford Guild tour, was Mr. James E. Groves' 600th peal, of which no fewer than 161 have been rung on twelve bells. These include 147 Stedman Cinques (including the record of 11,111), of which Mr. Groves has conducted 64; 2 Erin Cinques (conducted 2), 5 Grandsire Cinques (conducted 1), 1 Grandsire Maximus, 1 Forward Maximus, 3 Kent Treble Bob Maximus and 2 Cambridge Surprise Maximus.

## THE NEW BELLS FOR EXETER.

### A THANKOFFERING.

Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, have been entrusted with the contract for the two new treble bells which are to be placed in Exeter Cathedral to complete the ring of twelve.

As we mentioned in our last issue, the bells will be the generous gift of Mr. Arthur Thomas, a well-known tradesman of Exeter. Some time ago he was seriously ill, and he has offered the bells to the Dean and Chapter as a thankoffering for his recovery. When considering what form his thankoffering should take, Mr. Thomas saw a reference to the Exeter Cathedral bells in the 'Devon and Exeter Gazette,' and at once decided that, if the offer were acceptable, he would present two extra bells to the Cathedral. He communicated his intention to the Bishop of Crediton, who placed the matter before the Chapter. Naturally before the offer could be accepted, the Chapter were anxious to ascertain whether the tower was sufficiently strong to stand the addition of the two bells. Mr. Harbottle, architect to the Chapter, reported that he could assure them that the tower would be strong enough, and it will be a source of delight to all lovers of the Cathedral, as well as to ringers generally, that the Chapter were able to accept Mr. Thomas's splendid offer.

The existing bells at Exeter is, as is well known, the heaviest peal in the world hung for ringing, the tenor 'Grandison' being 72 cwt. in B flat. The new bells will, therefore, be F natural and E flat. It is hoped that the augmentation of the bells will give a further fillip to the local bands, and to the Devon Guild in general.

## PEAL BOARD 'OPENED.'

At St. Michael's Parish Church, Bishop's Stortford, on Thursday evening, September 28th, on the occasion of the opening of a peal board to commemorate a peal of Grandsire Caters rung on June 3rd, 1914, the same band, with one exception, rang 1,277 Grandsire Caters in 50 mins.: W. T. Prior 1, F. Bird 2, W. Prior 3, H. M. White 4, H. J. Tucker (conductor) 5, T. Jordan 6, T. J. Watts 7, W. W. Tucker 8, H. Dew 9, P. Springham 10.

## YORKSHIRE COMMEMORATION DINNER.

### INTERESTING GATHERING AT LEEDS.

The first annual dinner to honour the memory of the late Mr. Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Yorkshire Association, was held at the Griffin Hotel, Boar Lane, Leeds, on Saturday, September 23rd, and was a great success. A company, numbering 117, sat down to a splendid repast, visitors coming from all parts of the county. The Association was also honoured by the presence of the Newcastle Cathedral ringers, Mr. J. Oldham (Loughborough), Mr. C. Dean (Croydon), Mr. J. W. Rowbotham (London), representing the College Youths, and Mr. J. F. Smallwood (St. Martin's, Birmingham). Ringing took place during the afternoon at the churches at Headingley, Far Headingley, Armley and Hunslet, the visitors entering heartily into the proceedings, which left no doubt of their desire to make the day a memorable one in the annals of the Association.

After 'The health of the King' had been proposed by the President, and duly honoured, a well-struck course of Stedman Caters was rung on handbells by Messrs. J. R. Kemp, J. Cotterell, P. J. Johnson, W. Barton, J. Ambler.

Mr. McKell, of Gargrave, then proposed 'The Church and State.' Mr. McKell said the good old Church of England is worthy of all our support and devotion, and he thought they all felt that their art and science were sanctified by connection with her. As a body, ringers were not deficient in loyalty either to Church or State.

The Rev. C. Elsee, Vicar of St. Outhbert's, Holbeck, responded, alluding to the fact that his brother, Canon Elsee, was President of the Lancashire Association. He said he had often been struck by one curious little fact: in England our bells are pre-eminently connected with the Church; in Belgium, on the other hand, they were connected with the State, being hung in the famous town halls. The bells in England have always spoken of the great ideal of Church and State, and it was noticeable that 400 years ago, when the monasteries were, so to speak, on their last legs, they seemed to think they might possibly save themselves by putting up belfries. At both Kirkstall and Fountains the tower was the latest addition to the building, and at Bolton, as everyone knew, the monks only got half-way before the Dissolution, and there it stands to this day.

The President then read a list of apologies for absence from ringers at Gloucester, Chester, Birmingham and London; also a message from the Vicar of Leeds: from Mrs. Snowdon, who expressed great interest in the Association, and issued a cordial invitation to members to visit her at Cartmel. She also alluded to the continued success of the Snowdon series of ringing books. The President said he was sure he would be carrying out their wishes if he wrote to Mrs. Snowdon, expressing the cordial hope that she and her daughter may long enjoy health and prosperity. The President also asked, on behalf of a Norwich correspondent, for news of a portrait of Hubbard, the Norwich ringer, who died in Leeds in 1881.

### JASPER WHITFIELD SNOWDON.

The President then rose again to propose the toast of the evening, 'The memory of Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and the past Officers of the Association.' 'Upon me has devolved,' he said, 'the hardest task, and as so often happens it is the most responsible and honourable. I appreciate deeply the honour which has befallen me of being President at this our first dinner, and of putting into words the payment of respect to the memory of our founders, the great men who have passed away, especially Jasper Whitfield Snowdon. I have always felt that when the Association asked me to be President in succession to William Snowdon and to Jasper Whitfield Snowdon, no greater honour could have been paid, and I have also been sorry that no one could have been selected more fitted to carry on the tradition of great names in the annals of change ringing. As you know, my title is not as an expert ringer. But you have chosen me, and during the eleven years that I have held the office I have found members most kind and the officers most helpful. It is my dearest wish to uphold the great traditions of the Association to the best of my ability. First in the list of names of those to whom it is our purpose to-night to do honour must, of course, come Jasper Whitfield Snowdon, a name which must go down to posterity in the ringing world, for our science of change ringing owes more to him than to anyone else. May I remind you of some of the salient points in his career, which are known to many, some indeed of those present having been personally connected with him, including Mr. Rowbotham, of London, who rang his first peal next to him at Sheffield; our old friend, Jim Barracough, George Bolland, our Vice-President, and our old and valued friend, John Whitaker. Jasper Whitfield Snowdon was born at Ilkley, the son of the Vicar of that place, in 1844. In Ilkley, then a small moorland village, were sown the seeds of that strength and gentleness and openness of mind

which were his chief characteristics. He was educated at Rossall, where his character began to show itself in his untiring efforts to overcome difficulties, especially in climbing and swimming. Like many boys, he was not particularly assiduous in his studies, but he became gradually attracted to problems in mathematics and engineering. He very early attempted to join the ringers at Ilkley, and was put in the way of learning. But the method of teaching was not one to be recommended, nor did it appeal to him. It consisted in learning by heart a plain course and a 720, and then going up and ringing them. He gave up the attempt for some years, and took to walking and athletics, for he was gifted with great physical strength and a desire to excel. Not till 1870 did he again make an attempt to master the real intricacies of the Exercise. He started the Ilkley Amateur Society. So quickly did he progress that he very soon became highly proficient in change ringing, and in probing its intricacies and mathematical problems. He rang his first peal in 1872, seven Minor methods, conducting himself. At this time, through the following of his example, there arose a desire to start an Association, and meetings were held to discuss the proposal at Bradford, York, and finally at Leeds, at which Mr. W. H. Howard, of York, took the chair.

### THE FOUNDING OF THE ASSOCIATION.

'The first meeting of the Association was at Birstall, my own old Parish Church in 1875, and Jasper Whitfield Snowdon was elected as President. It is hard for us to realise the untiring work and devotion to the interests of the Association, and the still more important work in the science and art of change ringing. He gave to both the best of his mind and energies. The Association has progressed until it is what we see to-day, and its success is almost wholly due to this one man. Now as to his peal ringing. He rang in his short ringing life 129 peals, his last being at St. Lawrence, Pudsey, in 1884. It is interesting and encouraging to know that he also made 127 fruitless attempts. His greatest performance was at St. James', Bolton, Bradford, a 10,000 of Kent Treble Bob Major on Saturday, November 16th, 1878. I may perhaps here tell how he spent a little holiday once in walking from Leeds to London in five days, arriving in London about one o'clock, and catching the three o'clock train to take him back. It is, of course, in the literature which he left that he chiefly excelled, and it is for that that his name will live. We need to remember that the art of change ringing is very ancient and very English. We hear of a Westminster Guild of Ringers in the time of Edward the Confessor. By the middle of the XVth century change ringing was pretty well known, but not very scientific. The really scientific study of the art can be traced back to the middle of the XVIIth century, the Ancient Society of College Youths being founded in 1637, and the first treatise, that by Fabian Stedman, appearing in 1667. But it is not till we come to Jasper Whitfield Snowdon that we get our most complete treatises, and, which is most important, the easiest to comprehend. Anyone who knows his books will certainly agree to this. In 1878 he published Part I. of the "Treatise on Treble Bob," and the 2nd part later in the same year. In 1879 came "Rope Sight," in 1881 "Standard Methods," and in 1884 the well-known book on "Double Norwich Court Bob." His last work, left in manuscript, was the treatise on "Grandsire." It is for all this that we desire to voice our respect for his memory. The esteem in which he was held was shown in the 10th year of the Association's existence at a great meeting held at Sheffield, where there were present over 300 members. The remarkable scenes of enthusiasm when he came forward to receive the presentation will never be forgotten by those who were present. Very soon afterwards he was stricken with illness, and he died in the fever hospital in Leeds on November 16th, 1885. He was buried in Ilkley Churchyard, the service taking place in the church where he had been baptized and married, and in the town where most of his life had been spent. I should like to quote to you the lines on his tomb:—

"Year by year, the bells so softly  
O'er the graves shall music pour,  
Where the dust of saints is garnered,  
Till the Master comes once more."

In Ilkley Church in his memory we placed the ringers' window, of which the predominant idea is praise, and I think we may say that Jasper Whitfield Snowdon's one desire was to praise his Maker through his abilities. William Snowdon, in his account of his brother's life, says, "thus passed away the merriest, brightest and most upright of men." He was a man full of the joy of life, full of merriment, straight and upright in all his dealings, devoid of all shams, and he gave of his best to his life's work.

### OTHER VETERANS.

'William Snowdon succeeded his brother in the presidency, and held office for twenty-five years. Nothing better shows the spirit which he brought to the work than the fact that throughout the whole period he never missed a meeting, either general or committee. His name will go down to future generations as the finisher

(Continued on page 635.)

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921



and editor of his brother's book. He was a genial man, extremely painstaking, showing great zeal for the Association which he loved very deeply. He died in 1916, five years after relinquishing the presidency, and was buried at Cartmel. I was glad to be able to be at the funeral, and shall never forget the beauty of the scene in that grand old Priory Church.

William Horner Howard was born in 1821. He was one of the most respected of veteran ringers. He began ringing in very early life, and he remained connected with York Minster to the end. He was one of the prime movers in the establishment of the Association, was elected Vice-President at the first meeting, and held office till his death. He was one who could not fail to inspire respect and love. He was a man, godly, true and upright, as were all the men who so truly laid the foundation on which our Association is built.

The next names I shall mention are those of the brothers Hattersley, of Sheffield, Charles Henry and Tom. Charles Henry, who was born in 1844, began ringing at the age of 19. As a peal ringer he had many notable successes, and rang in 200 peals, many of them composed and conducted by himself. His greatest achievement was in 13,041 Stedman Caters at Cheltenham in 1888, in 8 hours 20 minutes; at one stage for a period of five hours not a word was spoken by way of correction. He was a great composer, and left behind him compositions in almost every method. As a man he was remarkable for the combination of a genial and kindly disposition with the most entire integrity and uprightness, and a hatred of all shams and slipshod ways, whether in business or in the Exercise. He died in 1915, and was buried at Ecclesall, a course of Grandsire Caters being rung over his grave by a little band, representing his own district of Sheffield, the Yorkshire Association, Lancashire and the College Youths.

Next I come to James and Tom Lockwood, father and son, whom we remember especially for their knowledge of and composition in Treble Bob methods. They were ringers at Otley, and afterwards at Leeds Parish Church, sterling men of great ability, who gave themselves to the advancement of the art.

Charles Jackson was one of the founders of the Association, most zealous as both steward and trustee. He rang over 300 peals. His great interest was in Grandsire Triples. He was a keen and accomplished ringer and an engaging personality.

Robert Tuke, who died as the result of an accident in Philadelphia, William Whitaker, the first secretary, who has recently died; J. H. Harcastle, whose son is one of our stewards; Ben Copley; William Stamthorpe, my own old tutor, and Robert Binns, are other names which we gratefully think of. As one looks back, what strikes one is that the characteristic of the work of these men was thoroughness. They undertook as an outside interest in their lives this art, and they fostered it as a definite part of the life of their Church. It is the kind of example we want to remember. Are there to-day giants comparable with these giants of old? The Association calls for united action and unselfish work; the Exercise calls for acute brains and persevering effort. The best way to honour the memory of Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and these other men is to go from this gathering determined to devote ourselves ever more and more to the Association which they founded, and the art and science which they loved.

Mr. Marshall resumed his seat, amid enthusiastic applause, after speaking for an hour.

#### KINDRED SOCIETIES.

Mr. George Bolland, Vice-President, then proposed the toast of 'Kindred Societies.' There was in his pocket, he said, a letter from Jasper Whitfield Snowdon, written 40 years ago, asking him to take part in an officers' peal at Drighlington, and also one from Charles Henry Hattersley, who was one who never went on a holiday without remembering to send to his friends a card with a bit of ringing on it. They were glad, he continued, to see represented that night the Ancient Society of College Youths, who on more than one occasion had welcomed them to London, and made it a deal harder to get away than it was to get there. Also the Surrey Association, with whom they spent one of their happiest times; the Midland Counties; Birmingham and Newcastle and Durham, who gave them a great welcome when they visited them (applause). — The toast was drunk with enthusiasm.

Mr. Rowbotham, of the College Youths, who replied, said he was an old member of the Yorkshire Association who migrated south many years ago. The Ancient Society, which he represented, asked him to express their very good wishes. Mr. Rowbotham added that he was taking part in a practice when the news came of Mr. Jasper Snowdon's death. 'We rang no more that night,' he said; 'it caused consternation and heartfelt grief. I had the honour of representing my society at the unveiling of the ringers' window, which I hope to see again to-morrow.' Most of the names mentioned by the president were members of the College Youths, and it was one of that society who said to him of Mr. Snowdon, 'No man has done more for change ringing.'

Mr. C. L. Routledge, of Newcastle, also responded. He said, when the annual outing of the Newcastle Cathedral Guild of Ringers was being discussed, a member drew attention to the notice of that

function, and he could assure them that there was no more discussion (applause). He met Mr. Snowdon once as a lad. He used very often to go down to a house in Pilgrim Street, where Mr. Francis Lees used to conduct handbell practices, and after the tunes were over he used to join in a course of Grandsire Doubles or Triples. It was on one of these evenings that Mr. Snowdon walked in unexpectedly. He was on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Archer, and usually mentioned that he had just walked over from Durham. When he died, all of them seemed to feel that a blackness had fallen on the ringing world. In the Durham and Newcastle Association they had always had a very brotherly feeling for the Yorkshire Association, whose methods they had closely followed. They had managed, as an Association, to survive the war, and were now making good progress. He just wanted to say how sorry they were not to be able to ring a peal at Bradford Cathedral, and the more so because of the sad cause. He would like to say how deeply grateful they were for all the excellent arrangements made for their comfort during the week-end. He thanked Mr. Bolland very much for his kind words, and could assure him he would have quite as hearty a welcome at Newcastle next time as he said he had when last he visited them.

In the absence of Mr. Willey, Vice-President, who had to leave early, the Secretary, Mr. Percy Johnson, proposed the toast of 'The Bell Founders.' Bell founding, he said, had reached a very high pitch of excellence, and they had moved very far from the day when it used to be said in a district that one bell of a particular founder was quite sufficient. They owed the bell founders a great debt, if for nothing more than for the rigid frame. They were honoured with having with them representatives of two great firms, Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, and Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. In no art that he knew of were the makers so bound up with the performers as in theirs. He hoped that they would go on making more improvements, both in bells and frames, but will stop short of the point of producing a bell which would ring itself (laughter and applause).

Mr. Dean, of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, replied. His chief, Mr. Johnston, had asked him to convey his good wishes, and desired to be remembered to his many Yorkshire friends. He believed they all felt that the managers of that gathering were to be very heartily congratulated upon the result of their work (applause).

Messrs. J. R. Kemp, P. J. Johnson, W. Barton and J. Ambler, here rendered a course of a Double Norwich on handbells, which was heartily applauded. Songs were contributed during the evening by Messrs. W. Birdsall, J. Townend, J. E. Carter and P. J. Johnson, these being much appreciated by the company.

A vote of thanks to the chairman and officers, proposed by Mr. Cordingley, seconded by Mr. Dean, and responded to by the Chairman, brought a pleasant and memorable evening to a close.

#### BRISTOL RINGERS' LONG TRIP.

The annual outing of St. James' Society, Bristol, was a very enjoyable affair. Starting from St. James', Barton, at 8 a.m., the charabanc made the first stop at Corston, about nine miles from Bristol. Touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung on the light peal, with tenor of 9½ cwt. Bradford-on-Avon was the next stop, and the scenery en route was much appreciated. Arriving at the Parish Church the party found their friend, Mr. Stafford, waiting to show the way to the ringing chamber. The fine peal of eight were soon going, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung. The Parish Church of St. James, Trowbridge, was next visited, the bells being a very good peal with a 24 cwt. tenor. The visitors indulged in touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, also a course of Cambridge Major. A touch of Stedman, with some of the local ringers, concluded the ringing. Lunch having been partaken of at the Parade Cafe, a move was made in the direction of Westbury, where Mr. Hart had everything ready. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, also a course each of Plain Bob and Cambridge Major were rung. A visit was made to the belfry to inspect the bells and frame. The tone and 'go' of this heavy peal will give pleasure to all who have the privilege of ringing them. The next item on the programme was a visit to Longleat House, which amply repaid the visitors for the walk up the drive and the discomforts of a wet afternoon. Continuing the journey, their next stop was at the George Hotel Frome, everyone being quite ready for the good tea which had been prepared. After tea St. Mary's Church, Wanstrow, was visited, the peal of six were soon going to Grandsire and Stedman. A six-score of Grandsire Doubles, with one of the local ringers, concluded the ringing. The next move was to Shepton Mallet. On arrival at the Church of St. Peter and Paul, Mr. Richards was quite ready for the visitors. Touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Double Norwich were rung, with Mr. J. W. Pemberton, of Birmingham. A touch of Grandsire Triples with Mr. Richards concluded the ringing for the day. With hopes of having more time for ringing on the next occasion, the last stage of the journey commenced, and home was reached at 10.45 p.m., after a most successful outing. The society wish to thank the incumbents of the churches for giving permission to ring, and all the local ringers for their hearty welcome.



# A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**WIDFORD, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, October 1st, on the occasion of the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Cutler, E. J. Runter, C. Gentry, J. Tarbun 4, P. Timson, A. Tarbun, junr., H. W. Kirtou (conductor), A. Bewers.

**BATH.**—On Sunday morning, October 1st, at St. Saviour's, Bath, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 47 mins.: J. Taylor 1, T. Hogsflesh 2, J. W. Bell 3, G. Janes 4, T. Grant 5, H. Miles 6, C. W. Bell (conductor) 7, J. Hallett 8.

**LEICESTER.**—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, for morning service, at St. Margaret's, 396 Grandsire Cinquses: T. Bent 1, F. Sharman 2, W. Whitehead 3, A. Cattell 4, A. Ballard 5, E. Morris (conductor) 6, E. Whitehead 7, F. Cotton (Hinckley), first touch on 12, 8, C. Cattell 9, H. Lock 10, J. Morris 11, J. Vernon 12.—For evening service, 594 Grandsire Caters: G. S. Morris 1, F. Sharman 2, A. Ballard 3, T. Bent 4, H. J. Poole 5, E. Whitehead 6, J. Morris 7, H. Lock 8, E. Morris (conductor) 9, J. Grant 10.

**BLENCHELEY.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 24th, for harvest festival, 252 Stedman Triples: A. Crane, W. Mead, J. Mead, H. Morris, W. Sear, E. Marks, F. Stenton (conductor), F. Whitehead.—350 Grandsire Triples: D. Goodman, R. Nichols, H. Sear, H. Morris, W. Mead, E. Marks, W. Sear (conductor), F. Whitehead; and 180 Stedman Triples.

**PORTSMOUTH.**—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, for evensong, at St. Thomas' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: W. Ayres 1, F. A. Burnett (conductor) 2, H. Aitken 3, P. Giles 4, J. H. Blake (Bosham) 5, A. Garrett (Petersfield) 6, W. J. Read (Petersfield) 7, W. Scaife 8. Arranged for ringers of 5, 6 and 7.

**QUINTON, GLOS.**—Four Shires Guild.—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, at the Parish Church, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 50 mins.: H. Terry 1, C. Matthews 2, F. Boswell 3, C. Sabin 4, G. Hands (conductor) 5, S. M. Russell 6. These ringers are service ringers of St. Mary's, Ilmington.

**WILLESDEN.**—On Sunday evening, Sept. 24th, for the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 40 mins.: B. Foskett 1, R. A. Watts 2, G. M. Kilby 3, E. Lankester (first quarter-peal in the method) 4, F. Barrett 5, H. Kilby 6, T. Newman (conductor) 7, P. Norton 8.

**EXHALL, COVENTRY.**—On harvest festival Sunday, Sept. 24th, for evening service, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles, in 44 mins.: W. Barnett 1, J. H. White (conductor) 2, F. Sanders 3, G. Bates 4, F. Boxall 5, A. Plackett 6.

**BOCKING.**—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, for evensong, at the Parish Church, for harvest thanksgiving, 640 Kent Treble Bob Major: G. Lindridge 1, F. Ely 2, W. H. Dyson 3, G. Melbourne 4, H. Redgwell 5, G. H. Howard (conductor) 6, W. H. Hammond 7, H. J. Collins 8.

**FULHAM.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday, Sept. 24th, for evening service, 1,263 Stedman Caters: W. H. Wood 1, \*E. J. Watson 2, A. Outmore 3, W. H. Hollier 4, A. R. Macdonald 5, \*F. H. Crook 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, H. Belcher 8, A. Harding 9, H. A. Folkard 10. \* First quarter-peal of Stedman Caters.

**ISLEWORTH.**—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, for morning service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: C. J. Tricker 1, G. Spencer 2, H. T. Beadle 3, T. Beadle 4, W. H. Lidbetter 5, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 6, A. Harding 7, H. Brooks 8.

**KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.**—On Harvest Festival Sunday, Sept. 24th, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples: W. Ayre (conductor) 1, A. E. Weedon 2, R. S. Cook 3, A. E. Dollimore 4, A. G. Cook 5, G. Perry 6, A. Hill 7, F. Dollimore 8.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: F. Huckle 1, L. A. Walker 2, A. E. Weedon 3, A. E. Dollimore 4, W. Ayre (conductor) 5, R. S. Cook 6, A. Rogers 7, F. Dollimore 8.

**BATHEASTON.**—On Sunday morning, Sept. 24th, at St. John-the-Baptist's Church, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: J. Taylor 1, F. Green 2, J. W. Bell 3, G. Janes (conductor) 4, J. Hallett 5, H. Mills 6.

**WITHAM, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, at the Parish Church for morning service, 720 Double Court: V. Glass 1, W. Butler 2, W. Mellin 3, H. Dorkin 4, A. Evers 5, E. Bright (conductor) 6. Also a touch of Woodbine Treble Bob.—For evening service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: V. Glass 1, A. Chalk 2, W. Mellin 3, A. Evers 4, W. Butler 5, E. Bright (conductor) 6. Also a touch of Oxford Treble Bob.

**EXHALL, WARWICKSHIRE.**—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, at the Church of St. Giles, at evening service, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 40 mins.: W. Barnett 1, J. H. White (conductor) 2, F. Sanders 3, C. G. Bates 4,

F. Boxhell 5, A. Plackett 6. First quarter-peal of Doubles by all except the ringer of the second. Also after service, 240 in same method, with L. Sanders treble.

**BROMSGROVE.**—On Sept. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Honeybourne 1, W. James 2, Rev. R. F. Wilkinson 3, F. Spalding 4, J. Ward 5, A. Moor 6, J. Mason (conductor) 7, F. Stevens 8.

**WORKSOP.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: F. Hind 1, H. Jordan 2, G. Gabbittas 3, S. C. Walker 4, H. Haigh (conductor) 5, E. Clark 6, J. T. Wilson 7, S. Eastland 8. First quarter-peal by ringers of 2 and 3.—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 44 mins.: H. Jordan 1, A. Johnson 2, Miss A. Taylor 3, S. C. Walker 4, H. Haigh (conductor) 5, G. Harwick 6, J. T. Wilson 7, E. Clarke 8. First quarter-peal by Miss Taylor, who has devoted much zeal and devotion to learn the art, and rang her bell cleverly throughout.

**HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—Oxford Diocesan Guild.—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: A. W. Cox 1, W. V. Webb 2, W. E. Napper 3, H. K. White 4, A. H. Webb 5, T. East, senr., 6, J. S. Napper (conductor) 7, W. Goodenough 8.

**BRISTOL.**—For harvest thanksgiving service, on Sunday, Sept. 17th, at the Church of SS. Philip and Jacob, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,344 changes): F. J. Porch 1, E. J. Brown 2, W. Landsdown 3, F. E. Tyler 4, I. Long 5, P. C. Williams 6, F. W. Wade 7, H. T. Howell (conductor) 8.

**HORNCHURCH.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: G. R. Pye (conductor) 1, F. Rainbird 2, W. Watson 3, H. Dawkins 4, R. J. Dawe 5, J. Dale 6, E. Riseley 7, E. Butler 8.

**FINCHLEY, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: F. Cherrett 1, F. Tubb 2, E. Tubb 3, B. Tubb 4, P. Blake 5, F. Barker (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, for harvest festival, morning service, 720 Bob Minor: G. Saunders 1, W. Webb 2, G. Blake 3, F. Cherrett 4, B. Tubb 5, E. Tubb (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: F. Cherrett 1, W. Webb 2, B. Tubb 3, F. Barker 4, P. Blake 5, E. Tubb (conductor) 6.—After evening service, a quarter-peal (720 Kent Treble Bob, 360 Oxford Treble Bob and 180 Plain Bob): F. Cherrett 1, W. Webb 2, E. Tubb 3, B. Tubb 4, P. Blake 5, F. Barker (conductor) 6.

**PRITTLEWELL.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, at St. Mary's, for morning service, 647 Grandsire Caters: \*A. V. Corden 1, S. W. Corden 2, \*R. Pictou 3, H. T. Wilson (conductor) 4, G. E. Wilson 5, W. Dowsett 6, W. Bedwell 7, W. Dudley 8, W. H. Judd 9, W. Bacon 10. \* First touch of Caters.

**BATH.**—On Sunday morning, Sept. 10th, at St. Saviour's Church, to welcome home the Rector, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 50 mins.: J. Taylor 1, F. C. Rich 2, J. W. Bell 3, T. Grant 4, G. Janes 5, J. Hallett 6, C. W. Bell (conductor) 7, H. Mills 8.

## LATE NOTICES.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Wellingborough District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Wilby, on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available at 2 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Please notify me not later than Oct. 11th those requiring same. A social evening has also been arranged.—F. Barber, Dist. Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The bells of the ancient Parish Church of St. Peter's, Shaftesbury, are to be dedicated after rehanging on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Particulars next week.

**ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Sudbury.—A District meeting will be held at Clare, Suffolk, on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available from 12 noon. It is hoped that a good number will attend.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—A monthly ringing meeting for practice will be held at Harborne on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Bells available at 3 o'clock.—A. J. Skelding, Branch Sec., 7, Cecil Street, Stourbridge.

**WESTBURY BELLS.****SUCCESSFUL WORK NOW CONCLUDED.**

The final public meeting in connection with the restoration of the Westbury Parish Church bells was held on Tuesday, Sept. 19th. The Vicar (the Rev. E. C. Alexander) presided, and said that the occasion marked the closing of a great work. It was felt that the whole parish should have the opportunity of hearing the statement of accounts read, after 33 months of effort. The bells, now one of the finest rings of eight in the country, were recast by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, and the tenor is a bell of 35 cwt. The cost of the work was raised by donations: Rev. John Kaye, £100; Mr. A. W. Bane, £70; Capt. J. Callaway, £52 6s.; Mr. W. H. Laverton, £45; the Maby family, £28 10s.; church bellfries, £15 6s. 6d.; others, £637 0s. 7d. Grants: White bequest, £350; Marlborough Charity, £102; Westbury ringers, £45 0s. 10d.; Salisbury Board of Finance, £30; Ecclesiastical Commission, £50; Westbury Urban District Council, £10; balance War Memorial Fund, £10; Leigh Church Finance Committee, £5. Bazaar and fetes, £252 5s. 5d.; socials and plays, £127 17s. 4d.; dances, £51 17s. 3d.; whist drives, £46 12s. 7d.; organ recitals, £19 13s. 5d.; special collections in church, £50 19s. 1d.; boxes, £33 0s. 7d.; sale of buttonholes and miniature bells, £99 19s. 1d.; rummage sales, £36 13s. 11d.; bank interest, £74 4s. 5d.; contra current account, £48 12s.—Total, £2,392 8s.

The principal item in the expenditure was the sum of £2,063 to Messrs. Taylor and Co., and, after meeting other expenses, there remained a balance of £1 1s. 1d.

The Secretary (Mr. E. H. Arnold) expressed his gratitude to all helpers, and spoke of his great delight that the work had been brought to a successful conclusion. He should never forget the joy it had been to him to have been able to do something for the dear old church he had known for 25 years. It was no light task for the helpers, and he wished particularly to thank Mr. Braund, the secretary of the Ringers' Guild, Miss Harries and the school children, the clergy, collectors, churchwardens, members of Executive Committee, and the General Committee, and the ladies, for the help he had received in organising 'Bell Days.' That was something to remember. Another interesting point was that the work had been carried out under three Vicars, viz., Rev. W. H. M. Clarke, the Rev. A. S. Bryant, and the present Vicar. The Rev. C. E. Matthews, a member of the Central Council, had visited the tower, and expressed the greatest satisfaction with all he saw.

A unanimous vote of thanks to the secretary was proposed, seconded and carried.

The Chairman admitted that, before coming to Westbury, he had heard of the work to be undertaken, and had been sceptical of its being carried through. He thought the result of the work done by the secretary, the Executive Committee, General Committee, and of Westbury people and friends was amazing.

Mr. J. S. Marks and Mr. A. E. Holloway (churchwardens) each thanked the secretary and all in any way connected with the work, and others also briefly praised the work accomplished.

Mr. J. S. Marks (Vicar's warden) then asked Mr. Arnold to accept a cheque for £15, subscribed by those who recognised what the duties involved. He was sure every moment of spare time must have been taken up; all felt that Mr. Arnold had been the backbone of the movement. His best efforts had been put into it, all because he cared for, and loved, his church, and so, under God's blessing, the work had prospered. He understood that Mr. Arnold was desirous of obtaining a sideboard, and when he had got it the churchwardens wished to put an inscription upon it, recording the splendid work he had done.

Mr. Arnold said he assured them all that he had neither looked for, nor worked for, such praise and kindness. He felt honoured enough in having his name inscribed upon the tenor bell. 'Arnold' would be known in the Westbury bellfry for long years after he had left this earth. The sideboard would be something to hand on to his children. 'Thank you' was really all he could say.

**REOPENING OF ANGERSLEIGH BELLS.****BISHOP OF TAUNTON TAKES PART IN RINGING.**

The Church of St. Michael, Angersleigh, has a very nice peal of five bells, and these have recently been rehung in entirely new fittings, the three back bells being provided with ball bearings. The bell frame has been strengthened, and bolts put in to give a rigid foundation. The work has been admirably done by Messrs. T. Doble and Son, the Taunton bell hangers.

On September 29th, the Bishop of Taunton performed the opening ceremony, and rang the fourth bell in some good rounds. After an excellent address by the Bishop the local band gave an exhibition of 'Up 1, down 2.' Then five members of the Bath and Wells Association from Taunton lowered the bells in peal, rang them up again, and brought round several 120's of Doubles in good style, again lowering in peal.

The genial Rector (the Rev. Horspool) invited the ringers to refreshments at the Village Hall, where the opening of the bells was celebrated by a dance. Needless to say, the young people thoroughly enjoyed themselves.—The Rector thanked the visitors for their exhibition of change ringing, and expressed the hope his band would

take it up.—The thanks were acknowledged and useful hints given to the local men upon how to make a start in the right direction.

**VISIT TO LOUGHBOROUGH FOUNDRY.**

The ringers of St. Andrew's Society, Rugby, spent a very enjoyable time on the occasion of their annual outing, which this year consisted of a visit to Loughborough.

The weather, so disquieting for such functions of late, was ideal for the occasion, and the journey was made by rail, a circumstance which presented to the one railwayman of the party, the opportunity of expounding the advantages of this mode of transit, an opportunity which was gladly seized, for, by the time the destination was reached, the travellers knew all about the 'non-stops,' whose mileage per hour was made to compare very favourably with the time records established in the recent aerial race, and, but for arrival at Loughborough, it is fairly certain they would also have learned that they could loop the loop.

Like all such parties to the noted ringing town, the visitors first wended their way to the bell foundry, to which they had received the usual kind invitation from Mr. Taylor, and were conducted round the works by Mr. Pryce Taylor. These were both very interesting and edifying, for in addition to seeing several old peals now being recast, the party were privileged to inspect the bells now being made for the carillon which is to be erected as the Loughborough memorial to those who fell in the war, and which, when completed, will probably constitute the best set of bells in the country. The largest bell, which Mr. Denison Taylor is himself presenting to commemorate the memory of his nephews who were killed, was seen in the mould, and the magnificence of this was acclaimed by experienced craftsmen of the party. After a visit to the bell tower and the foundry carillon (where the one modest member of the party excelled in the tune of 'Blue Bells of Scotland'), the company sat down to a very substantial tea inside the works, where, to their great delight, they were joined by ringing friends from Oldham (Lancs), and also by their old but ever-young friend, James George, of Rugby, with emphasis on the 'Rugby,' even if he does now reside at Birmingham. Next the party proceeded to the Parish Church, where touches of Superlative, Double Norwich, Stedman and Grandsire were rung by mixed bands of Loughborough, Oldham and Rugby. On the journey home the railwayman came 'unstuck,' for the 9.4 express came in much nearer 10.4. Someone suggested engine trouble, but whatever the cause the party had a 'forced landing' at Rugby, and that with every hope of an outing just as pleasant next year.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting of the South and West District was held at Norwood Green, on Saturday, September 23rd. Although it was a wet afternoon, over 20 members attended to ring on the peal of six. A service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. Thomas Parker), who, in his address, welcomed the Association to Norwood Green. He also paid a great tribute to the late Rector (the Rev. — Macdonald, M.A.), who, after many years of labour, was rewarded by being able to place the peal of bells in that tower, and to-day, after many years, those bells were still pealing forth, thanks for the great work he did for that parish. After service, tea was served in the Church Hall, presided over by the Rector, and the business meeting followed. The chairman was supported by the Ringing Master and Mr. Beadle (vice-president). Thanks were accorded to the Rector, organist, steepkeeper, and others.

The meeting expressed regret at losing an active lady member, Miss Norah G. Williams, of St. John's, Hillingdon, who is leaving the district, and will be greatly missed. Her good work for the Association was acknowledged by a vote of thanks, and good wishes were expressed for the best of luck when she goes to her new abode.—Miss Williams, on rising to acknowledge the thanks, was received with applause.

The bells were set going again until 7.30, when the ringers went to Heston. The company was increased to close on 40, and several methods on eight were rung, and a most pleasant meeting closed with thanks to the Ringing Master for arranging for Heston bells.

**BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

A quarterly meeting was held at Burnham-on-Sea on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, when 11 towers were represented. The bells were raised in peal soon after 3 p.m., and kept going in various methods until 4 p.m., when the Guild service was held in the Parish Church, the Vicar of Burnham (the Rev. Preb. G. L. Porcher) officiating, and giving an address.

After the service, a short business meeting was held in the Church Room, at which the Master (the Rev. C. C. Parker) presided, supported by the Vicar and two churchwardens.

Two honorary and two performing members were elected.

The next meeting is to be held at Corston, on December 16th.—The Rev. C. C. Parker proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Preb. Porcher for arranging the service and officiating, and for the use of the bells, also to the churchwardens for their kind welcome.—Mr. Board (churchwarden) replied. The bells were kept going during the rest of the evening.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—The 285th Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 11th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 7/6 each.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement's, Oct. 16th and 30th; Wilton Road, Oct. 9th, at 7 p.m.; Bishopsgate, Oct. 23rd. Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Abergavenny, Mon., on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells (8) available. Church service at 4.45. Tea and business meeting to follow.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Paul's Cathedral on Oct. 31st; Southwark Cathedral on the 10th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames St., on the 12th and 26th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 17th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 19th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Wath on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells available at 2 p.m. Tea provided at the Church House at 5.30 for those who notify A. Panther, 25, Sandymount Road, not later than 3rd Oct., at 1/6 per head.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Sittingbourne on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5, conducted by the Rev. M. Allen. Tea provided by the Association, at Cremer's Restaurant, High Street, and business meeting to follow. Tunstall (6) will be open after the meeting.—Fred M. Mitchell, Dis. Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Westbury, on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells (8) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.40. Tea at 5. Business meeting directly after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Flixton on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting 7 o'clock.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, on Saturday, Oct. 7th, 1922. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting, 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Whiston, Saturday, October 7th. Tea 1/3. Send numbers to Rev. A. G. Allton, Whiston Rectory, Rotherham. Special committee meeting.—J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 7th, at Todmorden Unitarian Church. Bells ready at 3. Meeting 6.30. Annual party at Balderstone on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Tickets, 2/6 and 2/3, from local Secretaries.—T. K. Driver, 31, Samuel Street, Middleton.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at Westerham, on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea at 1/1 per head after service, followed by business meeting. Half travelling expenses up to 2/- each will be paid to members attending.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Milton on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells ready at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea by kind invitation of the Rector, Rev. B. E. Evans, to those who notify Mr. J. A. Townsend, Milton, before Oct. 10th.—S. J. Lawrence, Dis. Sec.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Quarterly meeting will be held at Kinver on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available at 3. Service in church, with an address by the Rev. T. A. Cooper Slipper, Vicar, at 4.45. Tea (1/-) at 5.30. Please send word not later than Tuesday, Oct. 10th. Distribution of reports.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Bootle (6) on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells ready at 3.30. Service 5.30. Tea and meeting at 6. Members intending being present please send word to Sec. A good meeting is requested.—Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Frome Branch.—The next meeting will be held at East Harptree on Oct. 14th. Charabancs leave Radstock 2 p.m. Those requiring seats and tea should let me know soon.—J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—A meeting of the above Branch will be held at Samlesbury on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6 p.m.—W. Taylor, Branch Sec., Tower House, Penwortham.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Walkden, on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Fryerning on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea in the Parish Room, kindly provided by the Rev. Canon Brown. Will all members intending to be present please notify Mr. A. Bradley, Dodd's Farm, Fryerning, on or before Wednesday, Oct. 11th?—P. Timson, Hon. Dis. Sec.



**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Weldon (6) on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Usual arrangements. Those requiring tea please notify me by Tuesday, Oct. 10th.—R. G. Black, District Sec., Geddington, Kettering.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Berkshire Branch.—A meeting will be held at Blewbury on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service and an address by the Vicar (Rev. E. H. W. Leachman) at 3.45, followed by tea and business meeting. Bells available afterwards.—A. E. Lock, Hon. Sec., 6, Vineyard, Abingdon.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The Autumn meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Thanet, on Saturday, Oct. 14th, by kind permission of the Rev. C. Matthews. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock in the Parish Hall, 1/3 per head for all those who notify me not later than Tuesday, Oct. 10th. Half-railway fares, up to 2/-, allowed at this meeting. Will all members having collecting cards for the war memorial kindly return at this meeting, with any cash collected, and new ones can be obtained?—E. G. Buesden, Hon. District Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Saxmundham District.—A meeting will be held at Kelsale on Saturday, Oct. 14th. The bells of the Parish Church (8) available from 2 to 5 p.m., and Saxmundham (6) from 4 till 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—George Wilson, 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A monthly meeting of this Branch will be held at Burbage on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available 4 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**OXFORD GUILD.**—Sonning Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Finchampstead on Saturday, Oct. 14th, from 6 till 9 p.m.—Jos. White.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—The next meeting will be held at Northill on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. A good company is requested.—C. J. Ball, 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

**ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting for the Archdeaconry of Suffolk will be held at Ufford on Oct. 28th at 4 p.m. Bells available all day. Tea will be provided at 4.30 for all members sending their names by Oct. 23rd to Mrs. Drake, Ufford Rectory, near Woodbridge, or to Charles Mee, Archd. Sec., Sproughton, Ipswich.

**CHURCH CONGRESS, SHEFFIELD.**—Church of St. John the Evangelist, Ranmoor (8 bells, tenor 15 cwt.). Any ringing visitor to the above Congress will receive a welcome from the Vicar and ringers at the above church. Practice, Thursdays, 7.30 to 9.30 p.m. All standard methods rung.—J. E. Lewis Cockey, Ringing Master, 'Kilmar,' Leyfield Road, Dore, near Sheffield.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

SET OF 51 HANDBELLS, Chromatic Scale, F.26 to G.04, in good condition.—Price £25.—Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Stockport.

#### SITUATIONS WANTED.

**CHANGE RINGER** requires Situation. Any position of trust. Excellent references. Available at once, London or suburbs preferred. Small pension from H.M. Household.—H. Dyas, 185, East Street Buildings, Baker Street, W.1.

Situation wanted as **FITTER**, good all round experience. Standard methods, any number.—L. W. Wiffen, Melrose House, Williams Avenue, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'**AMONG THE BELLS.**'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

**CONDOVER, SALOP.**—On Saturday, Sept. 2nd, eight members of St. Chad's Society met at Condovery to attempt a peal of Stedman Triples (arranged for Mr. R. G. Knowles, of Madresfield, secretary of the Worcestershire Association, Western Branch), which unfortunately came to grief. However, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) was rung: A. Short 1, J. E. Lilley 2, R. G. Knowles 3, W. B. Kynaston 4, R. Pole 5, W. Fairhead 6, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 7, D. J. Boucher 8. Also 224 Bob Major, conducted by R. G. Knowles.

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

*Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.*

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
COVENTRY.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. AGGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells.——Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ...	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	...	3
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..	...	4
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ...	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½ in. 2¾ in. 3½ in. 3¾ in. 4 in. 4½ in. 5 in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 75/- 98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

**RINGERS' PENDANT**

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

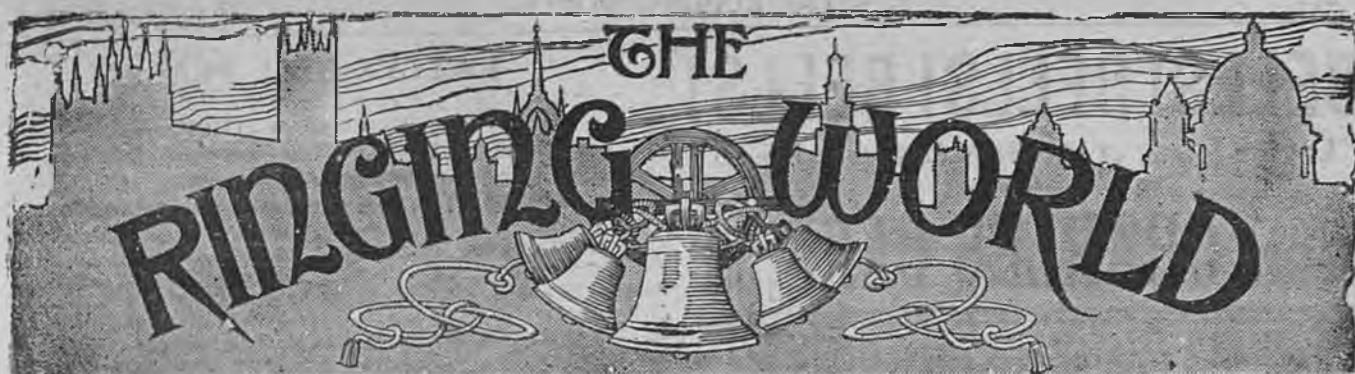
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 604. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

### BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### INSTRUCTIONAL WORK.

Encouraging reports of progress made by some of the Associations have been appearing lately with gratifying frequency, but it is in those districts and among those organisations who do the most effective spade work that the best results are seen. In South Wales, for instance, where that very live society, the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association, leaves no stone unturned to spread change-ringing and sends out numerous instructors, excellent progress is recorded, and only on Saturday two complete bands were brought into union as the outcome of the practical aid which the Association offers to the towers in its area.

Most Associations provide for sending out instructors, but this is one of the directions in which far more might be done than is actually the case. Some of the Associations which profess thus to cater for bands who desire to learn change-ringing, do not send out, officially, a single instructor a year. The excuse may be that no one has applied for assistance in this direction, but more opportunities might be found for this valuable work if only the Associations themselves would seek them, instead of waiting to be approached. More often than not the ringers at unaffiliated towers are unaware of the facilities which might be given them for learning method ringing, and we should much like to see among Associations a vigorous campaign started to bring in the numerous companies which can still be found outside the organisations. As a rule these bands know little or nothing of method ringing, and one of the greatest inducements that could be held out would be that of offering an instructor. We believe that many more unaffiliated bands could be brought into union with a little more persistent and systematic effort.

One other phase of this question may be mentioned here. Where instructors are sent out they are too often limited to teaching the most elementary methods, the argument apparently being that once a band has been given an insight into how to ring Grandsire or Plain Bob, all that is required has been done and the band should be competent to go on by themselves. To our mind this should be only the beginning. Why should not competent instructors, who should instruct in conducting as well as in ringing, help a band along to Stedman and Double Norwich, for instance? There are too many bands who get no further than the plain methods, but who, with the help of a qualified instructor, might go on to a much higher standard of ringing. This question is one which might well be reviewed by Associations, which should bear in mind that the old idea that a ringer who does not make his own opportunities is not worth encouragement, can no longer prevail if ringing organisations are to fulfil their real part in the general scheme of things.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

CHELMSFORD.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At St. Mary's Cathedral,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 34½ cwt.			
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. Treble	PERCY TIMSIN ... .. 7		
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	LESLIE J. CLARK ... .. 8		
ARTHUR EDWARDS ... .. 3	JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 9		
CYRIL PEASE ... .. 4	LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 10		
ROBERT H. BRUNDLE ... .. 5	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 11		
WILLIAM PYE ... .. 6	ARTHUR HEAD ... .. Tenor		

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY.

\* First peal on 12 bells.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

BRISTOL.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(BRISTOL BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Oct. 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Stephen the Martyr,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.			
ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. Treble	REV. H. LAW JAMES ... .. 6		
EDGAR GUISE ... .. 2	WILLIAM KNIGHT ... .. 7		
WILLIAM H. THOMAS ... .. 3	HENRY PRING ... .. 8		
CHARLES H. GORDON ... .. 4	JOHN A. BURFORD ... .. 9		
EDWIN J. BROWN ... .. 5	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. Tenor		

Composed and Conducted by Rev. H. LAW JAMES.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BANSTEAD, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Sept. 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. 0 qr. 27 lb.			
FREDERICK G. WOODISS ... .. Treble	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 5		
MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 2	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... .. 6		
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 3	WILLIAM HEWETT ... .. 7		
ISAAC EMERY ... .. 4	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... .. Tenor		

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.  
The author's composition No. 121.

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Sept. 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.			
HERBERT SHERMMINGS ... .. Treble	ALBERT A. FLEMING ... .. 5		
CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... .. 2	CHARLES WOODCOCK ... .. 6		
JOHN CROOKS ... .. 3	GEORGE A. FLEMING ... .. 7		
GEORGE W. ABLITT ... .. 4	JAMES ROSE ... .. Tenor		

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by G. A. FLEMING.  
The peal was arranged and rung to oblige the ringer of the treble.  
It was his first peal and first attempt, and rung on his 18th birthday.

DEANE, BOLTON, LANCs.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Monday, Sept. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.			
*LEONARD BARLOW ... .. Treble	TITUS BARLOW, SEN. ... .. 5		
TITUS BARLOW, JUN. ... .. 2	RICHARD P. HEALD ... .. 6		
ERNEST CUTSFORTH ... .. 3	JOHN POTTER ... .. 7		
FRED ABBOT ... .. 4	JOSEPH GREGORY ... .. Tenor		

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by JOHN POTTER.  
\* First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the golden wedding  
of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gregory.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.  
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE, STONEHOUSE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.		Tenor 12 cwt.	
*LESLIE MOSES ... ..	Treble	REV. EVERARD S. POWELL ...	5
HAROLD ASHTON ... ..	2	WARREN S. HORN BROOK ...	6
WILLIAM RUNDLE ... ..	3	WILLIAM RICHARDS ...	7
HARRY BURNER ... ..	4	A. C. BOOKLESS-BROWNE...Tenor	

Conducted by W. S. HORN BROOK.

\* First peal. † First peal on eight bells. This peal was rung as a compliment to the Rev. Maitland Kelly on attaining the age of 80 years. Mr. Kelly was one of the earliest members and is the senior surviving member of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers. He was Secretary of the Guild for seven years and has been President for 24, an office he still fills with an activity and enthusiasm that would put many a younger man to shame.

PENDLETON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Oct. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.	
ALLAN F. BAILEY ... ..	Treble
THOMAS B. WORSLEY... ..	2
SAMUEL JONES ... ..	3
ERNEST CUTSFORTH ... ..	4
SAMUEL WOOD ... ..	5
JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN. ...	6
JOHN POTTER ... ..	7
HERBERT GREENHALGH ...Tenor	

Composed and Conducted by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Arranged for Mr. Jones, of Newport, Monmouth, who was elected a member of the above Association previous to starting for the peal.

CUBITT TOWN, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Oct. 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.	
JOHN J. LAMB ... ..	Treble
*MAURICE SMITH... ..	2
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... ..	3
CHARLES T. COLES ... ..	4
GEORGE R. PYE ... ..	5
WILLIAM PYE ... ..	6
JAMES E. DAVIS ... ..	7
REUBEN SANDERS... ..Tenor	

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method with a bob bell.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.	
*CHARLES CUTTING ... ..	Treble
CHARLES BAKER... ..	2
FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... ..	3
ALPHÆUS J. BERRY ... ..	4
HERBERT H. PIERCY ... ..	5
JAMES BOUGHTON ... ..	6
TONY PRICE ... ..	7
ERNEST WHITING... ..Tenor	

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

\* First peal in the method.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Oct. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.	
*HENRY HILL ... ..	Treble
*WILLIAM HAYWARD ... ..	2
WILLIAM POYSER ... ..	3
JOHN GARRATT ... ..	4
HENRY LETTS ... ..	5
J. ARTHUR ORGILL ... ..	6
WILLIAM A. PARSONS... ..	7
JOSEPH LORD... ..Tenor	

Composed by J. THORP. Conducted by J. LORD.

\* First peal in the method. Arranged for Messrs. William Hayward and J. Garratt, who were visiting Derby and were elected members of his Association.

BECKINGTON, SOMERSET.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Oct. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GREGORY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.		Tenor 17 cwt.	
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... ..	Treble	SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... ..	5
*SYDNEY PEPLER... ..	2	CHARLES ANDREWS ... ..	6
*JESSE FRANCIS ... ..	3	*WILLIAM R. BAXTER ... ..	7
THOMAS F. KING ... ..	4	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN... ..Tenor	

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

\* First peal of Stedman.

TENTERDEN, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Oct. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MILDRED,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30 cwt. in D flat.	
HARRY BAKER ... ..	Treble
CHARLES TRIBE ... ..	2
ARCHIBALD C. KAY ... ..	3
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... ..	4
BENJAMIN BAKER... ..	5
LEWIS NEWMAN ... ..	6
ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... ..	7
HARRY PARKES ... ..Tenor	

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE.

Conducted by H. PARKES.

This was the conductor's first peal of Bob Major.

NORTH ELMHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.	
†FREDERICK HOWSON... ..	Treble
*GEORGE LOVE ... ..	2
*ROBERT MASH ... ..	3
*HECTOR HOLLIDAY ... ..	4
*HARRY R. LOVE... ..	5
FREDERICK R. WILLY ... ..	6
WILLIAM J. HOWSON ... ..	7
*ALLAN W. CALVER ... ..Tenor	

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by WILLIAM J. HOWSON.

\* First peal. † First peal of Triples. The ringer of the 4th bells from Dereham. The rest belong to the local company.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Oct. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.	
HENRY C. COLLYER ... ..	Treble
WILLIAM BIBBY ... ..	2
GEORGE H. RANGLES... ..	3
JOHN W. BIBBY ... ..	4
ERNEST PALMER ... ..	5
EDWARD JENKINS... ..	6
FRANCIS BIBBY ... ..	7
CECIL RADDON ... ..Tenor	

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by EDWARD JENKINS.

First Surprise peal by all except the ringers of the treble and 6th. First peal in the method in the county by a resident band, all the above being practice and service ringers at this church. This peal was rung as a tribute to the untiring efforts put forth in the past by Mr. W. Bibby, and of Mr. Jenkins in the present, for the advancement of change ringing in this district. The great feature of this peal was the splendid striking throughout. It is suggested that this may be the first instance of father and two sons ringing their first Surprise peal 'inside' together.

SWANAGE, DORSET.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.		Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb.	
*ERNEST A. HIXSON ... ..	Treble	REGINALD BROWN ... ..	5
*RICHARD S. BASTABLE ... ..	2	*GERALD F. HAYSOM ... ..	6
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... ..	3	GEO. J. WILLIAMS ... ..	7
†DONALD HILL BROWN ... ..	4	*ALBERT J. HAYSOM ... ..Tenor	

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. The ringer of the 5th was elected a member of the Guild before starting, the peal being rung in honour of his birthday.



## DARTFORD, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 18½ cwt.

JOHN WHEADON ... .. Treble	WALTER SMITH ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... .. 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... .. 6
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... .. 7
*JOHN S. MORTON ... .. 4	HENRY SIMMONS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

\* First peal of Stedman. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## EAST MEON, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt. 0 qr. 18 lb. in E flat.

EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... Treble	REV. C. D. P. DAVIES ... .. 5
GEORGE PULLINGER ... .. 2	RICHARD J. STONE ... .. 6
FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... .. 3	PERCIVAL W. CAVE ... .. 7
TOWER R. TAYLOR ... .. 4	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by PERCY W. CAVE.

Rung on the eve of the harvest thanksgiving.

## SHEREWSBURY.

## ST. CHAD'S SOCIETY.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. in F sharp.

ALBERT L. SHORT ... .. Treble	DENIS J. BOUCHER ... .. 5
JAMES E. LILLEY ... .. 2	WALTER FAIRHEAD ... .. 6
REGINALD R. POLE ... .. 3	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 7
WILLIAM B. KYNASTON ... .. 4	*DAVID JAMES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

\* First peal. First peal of Stedman Triples by all except the conductor. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung on the front eight on the eve of the harvest festival. All the above are Sunday service ringers.

## COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.

## THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

DAVIES' FIVE-PART. Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

*JAMES L. HAYWAY ... .. Treble	ALFRED S. BAYLEY ... .. 5
WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... .. 6
WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 3	WALTER LAGO ... .. 7
†JACK GARRETT ... .. 4	LEONARD G. HEWITT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER LAGO.

\* First peal away from the tenor. † First peal of Grandsire with a bob bell. First peal as conductor. L. G. Hewitt has now rung each of Coalbrookdale bells to a peal. Rung during harvest festival week.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

*CHARLES PARKER ... .. Treble	H. CHARLES GILLINGHAM ... .. 5
WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... .. 2	*WILLIAM TILLET ... .. 6
JAMES DURRANT ... .. 3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... .. 7
CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... .. 4	FREDERICK J. TILLET ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by GEO. E. SYMONDS.

\* First peal in the method. C.C.C. No. 122. Rung as a farewell peal to Canon H. D. Williamson, M.A., who has accepted the living at Brent Eleigh; also as a birthday compliment to the tenor ringer.

## DERBY.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALMOND,

## A PEAL OF DUFFIELD MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

ALBERT H. WARD ... .. Treble	JOSEPH BAILEY ... .. 5
W. A. JAMES ... .. 2	ARTHUR BRANES ... .. 6
JOHN C. DICKEN ... .. 3	W. RICHARD DRAGE ... .. 7
GEORGE FREEBREV ... .. 4	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

## HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 3 lb. in A flat.

REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON Treble	GEORGE A. FLEMING ... .. 5
CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. 2	ALBERT A. FLEMING ... .. 6
GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3	THOMAS W. LAST ... .. 7
GEORGE BENNETT ... .. 4	ERNEST E. LANHAM ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by THOMAS W. LAST.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## LITTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Oct. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's.

Tenor 10 cwt.

*JOHN SEYMOUR ... .. Treble	FRANK F. FLOWER ... .. 4
GERALD F. GRIFFIN ... .. 2	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN ... .. 5
WILLIAM ROSEWELL ... .. 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells.

## BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Oct. 3, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford Bob and Canterbury Pleasure, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

WILLIAM POWELL ... .. Treble	JAMES BLAKE ... .. 4
ROBERT E. SUMMERS ... .. 2	JOHN J. BEVAN ... .. 5
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. J. BEVAN.

First peal as conductor.

## TUNSTALL, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Delight, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford Bob &amp; Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

FREDERICK J. SMITH ... .. Treble	ALBERT J. LINCOLN ... .. 4
ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. 2	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 5
HARRY HALL ... .. 3	JOHN HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

The band tender their best thanks to Mr. W. Sawyer for having everything in readiness. It is 14 years since a peal was rung on the bells.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

## PRISTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one 720 of Oxford Bob and six of Plain Bob. Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM ROSEWELL ... .. Treble	FRANK F. FLOWER ... .. 4
GERALD F. GRIFFIN ... .. 2	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN ... .. 5
ALBERT E. B. HEAL ... .. 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

First peal in more than one method by all except the conductor.

## WICKEN, NORTHANTS.

## THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.

*HAROLD W. BIRDSEY ... Treble	*FREDERICK C. CASE ... 4
*THOMAS E. ROBERTS ... 2	*THOMAS E. READ ... 5
*LEONARD A. SMITH ... 3	ALBERT J. GREEN ... Tenor

Conducted by A. J. GREEN.

\* First peal of Surprise. First peal of Surprise as conductor. First peal of Surprise by a local band for the Association. First peal of Surprise by the local band on the bells.

## HALLATON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(BELTON ST. PETER'S GUILD.)

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's each of Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Bob, and one 720 of Plain Bob, each differently called. Tenor 11½ cwt.

WILLIAM HECTOR ... .. Treble	HARRY KENDALL ... .. 4
ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. 2	FREDERICK T. BINDLEY ... 5
ARTHUR BUZZARD ... .. 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

First peal on these bells, which have recently been augmented and rehung by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co.

## WEEKLEY, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

MISS PHYLLIS HARE ... Treble	†WALTER T. WILSON ... 4
*MISS KITTY M. MOORE ... 2	†MISS ANNIE PARKINS ... 5
TOM TEBBUTT ... .. 3	ROBERT RICHARDSON ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal in five methods. † First peal in five methods with an 'inside' bell. ‡ 50th peal. Rung in honour of the engagement of Mr. R. Richardson and Miss Annie Parkins.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Sept. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 18 in G.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... 1—2	ALFRED H. PULLING ... 5—6
ARTHUR J. BARTLETT ... 3—4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... 7—8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: RAYMOND PHILPOTT.

Rung in honour of the anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Pulling, and as a birthday compliment to Mr. E. Weatherby.

COCKERMOUTH, CUMBERLAND. — On Sept. 24th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 30 mins.: R. Potts 1, J. Casson 2, J. Norman 3, F. Tickle 4, Wm. T. Holmes (conductor) 5, T. Casson 6, W. Bone (covering) 7. Rung for evening service at All Saints' Church, with the bells muffled, after the unveiling of the war memorial, at Cockermouth, Sept. 24th, 1922.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Oct. 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 15 in C.

SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... 1—2	*GEORGE W. STEERE ... 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3—4	RAYMOND PHILPOTT ... 7—8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: MRS. PULLING and MR. W. LUCAS.

This peal was rung in honour of the coming of age of Mr. R. Philpott, whose first peal it was and first attempt. "100th peal" in hand.

## FIVE COUNTIES IN ONE DAY.

## LEATHERHEAD SOCIETY'S SUCCESSFUL OUTING.

'Where's the outing this year, Winchy?'

'Oh, I'll fix up a trip into five counties this time.'

'Go on! it's impossible.'

'All right, then. "Wait and see."'

Accordingly, on the day arranged, a party left Leatherhead at 8.10 a.m. Owing to a slight misunderstanding this was 40 minutes behind scheduled time, and in addition to that, after travelling three miles, down came the rain. Of course, that meant more delay, as the covering of our charabanc had to be adjusted. The company didn't seem downhearted; in fact, we had quite a happy crew aboard. In addition to the Leatherhead men there were the two Jacks from Ashted, Jack from Ewell, and Jack from Dorking (not a bad hand for poker—four Jacks). After making all snug, away we went, and arrived at Bagshot (our first stop for ringing), nearly one hour late. Here we were met by a charming young lady ringer (Miss Mabel Nye), who, in her father's absence, welcomed us to Bagshot. As we were late we decided not to make a long stay, so two courses each of Bob Major and Double Norwich had to suffice. Miss Nye took part in the Bob Major, and we were convinced that she could show a good many gentlemen how to handle a rope. Leaving Bagshot, we made tracks for Bracknell, in the next county (Berks). Here, finding ourselves in a civilised part of the country, where the licensed houses open at 10 a.m., we stopped for a quarter of an hour, and availed ourselves of the privilege of a glass of bitter and a crust of bread and cheese, at a reasonable hour of the day. The next stop was Caversham, in the next county for ringing, where we arrived soon after 11, and were met by Mr. H. Simmonds, of the local band. Here we indulged in Grandsire, Plain Bob, Stedman, Treble Bob and Double Norwich, on this handy little ring until everyone was satisfied. Leaving here, we were at St. Lawrence's, Reading, in a few minutes. Here, as at Caversham, everyone had gone to Oxford for the Guild's festival, so we did not see 'father.' Being close to the market place we decided not to be 'greedy,' and only rang two short touches of Grandsire Caters. Lunch at the Popular Cafe was the next order, and everyone did justice to the good things provided. Soon after 2.30 we were off once more, Farnham Royal (Bucks) being the next objective. Here we were met by our old friend, Mr. J. J. Parker, and soon had these merry little bells going to Plain Bob, Grandsire and Stedman. Then, being reinforced by Mr. W. Henley, we just managed to tap off a decent course of Superlative. We were loath to leave Farnham, but a meat tea was waiting at the Three Fishes at Sunbury-on-Thames at 5.30, and strict time, if possible, was the order of the day. Bidding farewell to our Farnham friends we put a jerk into the old machine, and hauled up at the Fishes right on time. Here, notwithstanding the mid-day lunch, most of us wanted another plate of cold beef, and there was plenty to have and to spare. They evidently know what sort of trenchermen ringers are at the Fishes, for they put a right good covering of meat each time on the plates. Next we moved for the church. Here we met the local captain, Mr. W. Warne, who welcomed us to Sunbury. We soon had these lovely bells up and set them going to Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Treble Bob and Double Norwich. With the assistance of Mr. A. Diserens we rang a good course of Superlative. Before leaving we all climbed up into the cage on top of the tower, and were charmed with the view. Some merriment was caused by some of the party whose occupation keeps them on the ground floor of a workshop, being so careful as not to go near the railings and look over. Whereat the building trade operatives volunteered to climb over; upon which the workshop men covered their eyes with their hands, not daring to look. Leatherhead was eventually reached at 9.30, and the ringing in five counties in one day was an accomplished fact, viz., Bagshot (Surrey), Caversham (Oxon), St. Lawrence, Reading (Berks), Farnham Royal (Bucks) and Sunbury-on-Thames (Middlesex). The party wish to thank the various clergy, through the medium of this paper, for the use of the bells, and also the kind co-operation of local ringers which made the outing a success.

A. H. W.

## THE OXFORD GUILD TOUR.

(Continued from page 629.)

High Wycombe, Wednesday, Sept. 13th.—The Rev. E. M. Molyneux, Vicar. Mr. R. Coles, foreman. To reach this town we had to make a prolonged journey over four railway companies' lines, changing at three junctions, which gave us the opportunity to make use of the handbells for others to see and hear that 'changing' was part of the change ringers' life. Leaving Bletchley at 10.10 we were met at Wycombe by Messrs. Boreham and Evans, and escorted to our quarters, 'The Frogmore,' where the cyclists, Messrs. Shepherd, Hart and Williams, and the Bull Ring couple, Messrs. Groves and Walker, reported themselves for a good hot dinner. At 4 p.m. everybody made for the bell-loft at All Saints', and here we found Messrs. Coles and Hayes busy doing the needful doctoring. Good old 'Rugby' also arrived via Euston and Paddington, he, being a semi-director of one of the companies, was able to do the journey quicker that way with less changing. The Vicar had kindly advanced evening service by half an hour to oblige us. We rang a touch for it, and afterwards the Vicar came up and wished the band success, offering the Guild's prayer before 'Go—Stedman Cinques' was called by the Ringing Master of the Birmingham Stedman Association. When 'that's all' came up the Vicar 'came round' to personally congratulate us, as also did Messrs. Markham, Goodchild, and other Wycombe ringers who heard the peal. Under the shadow of this tower stands The Black Boy. In a small room adjoining the bar, for about twenty minutes before the hour of closing, some twenty ringers endeavoured to cram in half a lifetime of reminiscences and friendly ringers' secrets with a hum-note resembling the Stock Exchange Hall on a busy morning. We adjourned to the Frogmore to supper, some fourteen ringers sitting down, and then the Bucks' 'hum-note' began again and lasted till early morning. I learnt that our 'Isaac' had just completed 48½ years' regular service with the South Metropolitan Gas Company, and was retiring on a pension well earned. When I also state he is one of those men who are never absent and never late you will understand the retirement is deserved. Add to this record his list of 1,190 peals as a little pleasurable sideline or hobby, and who can put his life's work into the shade?

Gazing on the faces of the well-known men gathered around me, I noticed that we had several who were surely creeping up the peal ladder, to mention only four of them—Groves 600, George 700, Hart 800, and Williams 900, and upwards. Men of this breed are no longer chickens in the Exercise. The very lines on their faces seemed to reveal diagrams of 'whole' and 'half-turns,' or '8-7-8-thirds-6-5-6.'

Hughenden.—Rev. J. Cuthbert Lucas, Vicar. Mr. A. G. Janes, foreman. One peal for Thursday, 14th, was proposed, but to suit the Birmingham men we were very kindly allowed the use of this tower all day long, so that the two teams of our party might each try their fortune. This church stands out in a beautiful park, two miles from Wycombe, far from the 'madding crowd,' who in their turn reproach the bell ringers for their maddening bell ringing. The speed of the morning's attempt was very quick, and at 2 hours 40 minutes came 'stand' from the conductor, who was not quite sure which course he was in, or if 3-4 had changed work. The band was Messrs. Nevard, Hart, Fussell, Williams, Sharman, Sippetts, Walker and Groves (conductor). The church was inspected, as well as the resting-place of the late Lord Beaconsfield with several mementos of him. By command of the late Queen Victoria, his banner and other insignia of the Garter from the Earl's stall in St. George's Chapel, Windsor, was placed over the seat formerly occupied by him in the chancel. A quiet walk back into Wycombe for lunch, and an afternoon's rest followed. The Birmingham trio were duly despatched under the care of Mr. Fred Walker, and it was with regret we left Mr. George—rather indisposed—to return home, but we have since heard of his improvement in health; possibly due to the comforting 'Wycombe Jacket' provided for him in direct opposition to the regulations of the Frogmore Hotel. After tea a picturesque walk through the park, and the completion of Middleton's 'Cambridge' was effected, whilst Messrs. Mayne, Nevard, Fussell and Evans listened to the 'coarse' ends, which indeed were 'fine.' The last-named ringer is a Central councillor for Bucks, with a long record of successful Surprise ringing and peal conducting at Hughenden for nearly 40 years. As rain prevented outdoor occupation we four sat in church and rang handbells. The Beaconsfield Arms received us 'openly' till closing time, and we went to our temperance beds, through the rain, still without a blank day to record.

Woodburn.—The Rev. A. E. Baynes, Vicar. Mr. J. West, foreman. Friday, Sept. 15th.—A bright cheerful morning, Wycombe's market day, and going about the busy town, I occasionally met one or two men of the 'out of work' type looking for the Black Boy. Our motor-bus to Woodburn left at noon, and on reaching there we had luncheon at the Welcome Tavern. A prompt start for Superlative Major at 2.30 ended just short of two hours' ringing. The ringing room is very noisy, and it was impossible to understand the conductor's instruction to an erring member. Uncertainty as to our next

attempt, by reason of six p.m. evensong, was removed by the organiser's perseverance in seeing the foreman and Vicar, and obtaining permission for another attempt after service at 6.30. Even then doubts existed if three hours would enable the band to score and catch the 9.30 bus onwards. The refreshing tea at the Welcome helped us to 'go for it' with a 'good heart,' and putting on speed at the quarter-peal end we accomplished both the peal and bus journey afterwards, not even stopping to 'Sippetts' after leaving the tower. Almost at the end of the peal our veteran hand was trying to leave the slow-work, this caused a bad six or two; and added to the noise of the bells. Woodburn bells were restored at a cost of £2360, in commemoration of the Coronation of King Edward VII. In the church are brasses to John Goodwin and his wife, and Pernel, who built the tower, A.D. 1488. A list of Rectors and Vicars exists from 1216. The 6th bell was cast in Dublin by Murphy. Tom Tolladay, of the St. James' Society, London, rang his last peal here, and a very ancient half-timbered house facing the churchyard—now no longer licensed—was the scene of many a gathering of early pioneers of change ringing in the county. Seated in an easy-running motor-bus we had had time to recover our wind a little, and reaching Maidenhead at 10 p.m. thought the 10.3 train was late to oblige us, but it turned out to be a goods, and all our haste and good Isaac's trotting uphill to the station were of no avail. Even then we reached the Reindeer Hotel at Slough before 11 p.m., as a train not scheduled came along half an hour later, and took us up. With most comfortable quarters, and the attentions of a real landlady, we went to bed at midnight, and more than one man fell off to sleep with the booming of Woodburn tenor still in his ears, and the kindness of the Vicar in mind.

(To be continued.)

## THE LADIES' GUILD.

The annual general meeting was held at Isham, Northants, on Saturday, September 30th. The attendance was not very large, but a very enjoyable afternoon was spent. Ringing took place in the afternoon, and a variety of methods was rung. A short service was held, at which the Rector gave an address.

After tea in the Schoolroom, the business meeting was held. In the absence of the President, Mrs. E. M. Atkins was voted to the chair.

The Secretary presented the balance sheet, which showed a balance in hand of £8 9s. 7½d.

One ringing member and one honorary member were elected.—Miss D. Atkins, of Isham, was elected President for the year.—Miss Parker was re-elected as honorary secretary and treasurer.

It was decided to hold the next general meeting in London.

No other important business was brought forward, and after votes of thanks to the Rector for his address and the local ringers for making all arrangements, the meeting concluded.

## MIDLAND DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Midland District was held at Kinver on Saturday, Sept. 30th. A large party left Birmingham for that place in very hopeful spirits; in fact, they might have called themselves a band of hope. All were hoping it would keep fine; one or two optimists were quite sure it would; but, alas! on arriving at the end of the journey, one of the Midlands' beauty spots, it was found that Kinver had not 'gone dry.' Needless to say, the ringers, ladies and gentlemen, made their way to the church, and soon had the bells going merrily. What a good thing it is ringing does not have to be abandoned on account of the weather!

Service was held in the church, the Guild form being used. The Rev. T. A. Cooper-Slipper officiated, but was not able to join the party at tea, which was waiting for them at a cafe in the village, and to which 40 sat down. Before the gentlemen left, and before the business meeting began, a hearty vote of thanks was proposed to the gentlemen ringers for their kindness, courtesy, and the support they always give the ladies at these gatherings. Their willingness to help the lady ringers at all times is thoroughly appreciated.

Mr. A. Walker, Mr. J. E. Groves, Mr. J. F. Smallwood, Mr. W. Kent and Mr. White were among those present.

The gentlemen having taken their departure to the church, the business meeting was conducted to the sound of the bells. Miss Pigott was voted to the chair, and the election of officers for the coming year took place.

Mrs. Groves wished to resign the secretaryship, but was overruled and re-elected. Miss Pigott and Miss Foster were re-elected on the committee. Mrs. White (Coventry) and Miss Johnson (Evesham) were elected in place of Mrs. Holbrooke and Mrs. Preston.—Miss A. and Miss R. Johnson, of Evesham, were elected ringing members.—Letters of apology were read from Miss Johnson and Miss Bennett.

Edgbaston Old Church was selected for the next meeting, if permission can be obtained; if not, Harborne, the meeting to take place fairly early in January next.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar (the Rev. T. A. Cooper-Slipper) and to the local ringers, brought the meeting to a close.

It was still raining when the visitors left.

**NOTTS RINGERS' EXCURSION.**

On Saturday, Sept. 16th, the ringers from Cotgrave and Radcliffe-on-Trent, Notts, held their outing, the destination being Thoresby and Perlethorpe. Permission had been obtained by the Rector of Cotgrave (the Rev. J. P. Hales) from Earl Manvers for the party to be taken round Thoresby House. A start was made at 12.45, but unfortunately before Newark was reached a burst tyre delayed operations. When Newark was eventually reached, the party was joined by Mr. A. J. Chamberlain, of Southwell. While a new cover was being fixed the party had a look round the fine old Parish Church and the Castle. On getting away again, the handbells were set going to tunes, and passing through Ollerton more delays occurred in finding the right road, one stop being caused by running into a cul-de-sac.

Mr. T. Spencer (brother of F. Spencer, of Radcliffe) was waiting for the party on their arrival, and regretted that the time for showing the party round was restricted. The noble earl, too, had been waiting, asking several motorists if they were the Cotgrave party. However, the visitors were taken through the magnificent house, a treat which was fully appreciated, and then through the grounds and gardens. Arriving at Perlethorpe, the tower was visited, and the fine old ring of bells by Mears and Stainbank (tenor 6wt. 14lbs.) were set going to 240 Bob Minor and 720 Single Oxford, in 21 mins.: G. Nowell 1, W. E. White 2, W. White (conductor) 3, F. Spencer 4, A. J. Chamberlain 5, T. Squires 6; also 216 Bob Minor. A few rounds were also rung for two very promising young ringers, L. Webster and J. P. Hayes. Time being all too short and some misunderstanding having arisen about tea, the party decided to return to Newark, where they had an excellent spread at Oldham's Cafe. After a stroll round the market and two plain courses of Grandsire Triples in the motor by A. J. Chamberlain 1-2, W. White 3-4, W. E. White 5-6, T. Squires 7-8, the return journey was made, a most enjoyable time having been spent, despite the disappointments. The best thanks of the party are due to Earl and Countess Manvers, and others, who contributed to the day's outing.

**ICKLETON, CAMBS.**—On Thursday, August 24th, at the Parish Church, 720 Bob Minor: S. Brookes 1, R. Clements 2, P. Webb (conductor) 3, A. Lilley 4, A. Baynes 5, F. Griggs 6. Also 792 Kent, 144 Oxford Treble Bob: F. Bowtell and J. Webb taking part. — On Thursday, August 31st, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: P. C. L. Brookes 1, R. Clements 2, P. Webb 3, A. Baynes (first in the method) 4, W. Flitton (conductor) 5, A. Lilley 6. Also 360 Kent, on handbells, with F. Bowtell 1.

**A WEST WILTS TRIP.**

On Saturday, Sept. 9th, the St. Philip and Jacob's Guild (Bristol), together with friends, held their annual outing. The party, numbering 28, left Bristol at 1.25 p.m., by motor coach, for Trowbridge, where the first halt was called for a ring on the peal of eight at the Parish Church. Here the party were met by Mr. Sam Hector, who had everything in readiness, and touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Double Norwich were brought round on this good-going peal. The next call was Westbury, where Messrs. Arnold and Hart were waiting. The new ring (by Taylor), tenor 35 cwt., were raised in peal, and one touch was rung before an adjournment to the local hotel, where an excellent meat tea was waiting. This was disposed of in true ringers' style.

After a course of Grandsire Caters on handbells, a group photograph was taken, and the party once more visited the tower, where touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Cambridge were rung. The Vicar came into the belfry while ringing was in progress, and extended a welcome to the visitors. This, needless to say, was much appreciated. The excellence of this fine peal was the cause of much comment, and it was with reluctance that the journey was resumed.

Warminster was the next and last ringing objective, and here, on arrival, Mr. White was found waiting with a welcome, and touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Double Norwich were rung.

Some excitement was caused on the return journey, owing to the driver losing his way, but with the assistance of a compatriot of the road, he was directed rightly to Bath, where a stop was made, presumably to allow the engine to cool! Tunes on the handbells, excellently rendered, and songs, kept the party alive until Bristol was safely reached at 11 p.m. The trip was a most successful one, and opportunity is here taken to thank the incumbents of the churches for permission to ring, and those friends who so kindly had everything in readiness.

**PULHAM RINGER'S DEATH.**

The death has occurred, at Pulham St. Mary, Norfolk, of Mr. James Tann, for many years one of the local band. He had rung about 90 peals for the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association.

On Saturday last the bells were rung, half-muffled, as a last token of respect. A touch of 238 Oxford Treble Bob Major was rung by F. Borrett 1, A. Roope 2, J. Allen 3, R. Whiting 4, C. Cutting 5, C. Baker 6, F. Roope 7, C. Roope 8; and 672 Double Norwich and the whole pull and stand by C. Cutting 1, A. Roope 2, F. Borrett 3, C. Baker 4, H. Piercy 5, E. Whiting 6, F. Roope 7, C. Roope 8.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

# THE LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,  
32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

On October 14th, 1850, a 7,020 Stedman Caters was rung at Aston, composed and conducted by Henry Johnson.

A 6,000 of Treble Bob Royal was rung at Shoreditch by the College Youths on October 19th, 1766.

The first peal of Treble Bob Major ever rung 'with the 120 course ends' was accomplished by the Cumberland Youths on Oct. 20th, 1794. It is described as Union Treble Bob, and was composed and conducted by George Gross, senr. William Shipway and Malachi Cannon, who was generally at the heavy end in some of the Cumberlands long peal, took part in this performance.

On October 20th, 1751, a peal of Grandsire Cinques was rung at St. Bride's, Fleet Street. John Holt took part in this.

The peal of Treble Ten rung during the Oxford Guild tour, at Leighton Buzzard on September 11th, was not the first peal of Royal on the bells. The Cumberland Youths rang a peal there in the same method on May 23th, 1910, conducted by Mr. Frank Bennett.

The Doncaster and District Society now numbers 185 members, from 36 towers.

A defective report of a peal of Stedman Triples rung on Sept. 29th, conducted by Mr. J. W. Washbrook, has been sent in, and we shall be glad if our correspondent will supply the name of the town where it was rung, and state under what association (if any).

Particulars will be found in our notice columns of the arrangements for the opening of the peal of twelve at St. Mary's, Taunton, on October 21st.

A band of veterans (all over 70 years of age), members of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association, are to attempt a peal at Pulham on Saturday, October 14th.

October 16th is the anniversary of the 10,176 Grandsire Major rung on handbells at Birmingham in the year 1883.

Mr. John Carter has returned to London after his summer sojourn in the Isle of Man.

The peal of Bob Major rung at Feering on Sept. 30th, and published in our last issue, should be credited to the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association, and not to the Norwich Diocesan Association, as published.

## NEW PEAL OF SIX IN LEICESTERSHIRE.

### DEDICATION OF HALLATON BELLS.

On Saturday, Sept. 23rd, the recast and augmented peal at the Parish Church, Hallaton, Leicestershire, was dedicated by the Ven. Archdeacon of Leicester (the Rev. McNutt). The service was preceded by ringing the back five to Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles, and a good congregation assembled. During the service, which was attended by clergy from Medbourne, Tugby, Stonton, Wyville, Alexton, Bloston, Great Easton and Shrewsbury, the choir and clergy proceeded to the tower, where the Archdeacon took the treble rope in hand and dedicated the new bell, also rededicating the recast ones. He then handed the rope to Mr. Ernest Morris (of St. Margaret's, Leicester), who raised the bell in their presence. After further prayers for the ringers, the choir and clergy retired to the chancel while 'rounds' and 'queens' were rung on the whole six bells. The Archdeacon then gave a striking and most interesting address on bells—chiefly taking their history, legends, etc., from North's Bells of Leicestershire—and dwelling especially on the motto of the old 3rd bell (now reproduced), 'Peace and good neighbourhood.'

At the conclusion, the first 720 Plain Bob was rung by H. Kendall 1, J. Grocock 2, R. H. Bartram 3, F. Bindley 4, J. J. Jackson 5, E. Morris (conductor) 6. Tea was provided for visitors, and ringers assembled from Belton, Melton Mowbray, Billesdon, Desboro', Kirby Muxloe and Leicester. Afterwards touches of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Double Court and Doubles were rung.

The whole of the work which includes recasting the front four of the old five, adding a new treble, rehangings the whole on ball bearings in a new steel and iron frame, was defrayed by a grant out of the Isabella Stebbing Charity, and was carried out in an admirable way by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co.

On Saturday (October 7th) the first 5,040 was rung on the new bells. The bells are thus inscribed:—

- Treble (rose pattern all round) on waist: 19 (Taylor's mark) 21.
- 2. Thomas Norris made me 16FF R.G. I.B. (rose patt.).
- 3. Thomas Norris made me 16FF (rose patt.).
- 4. Peace and good neighbourhood, 1772 (rose patt.).
- 5. Thos. Gibbins, Churchwarden. Edwd. Arnold, 1772 (rose patt.).
- Tenor.—Thos. Gibbins, Churchwarden \* (leaf) Edwd. Arnold, St. Neots, Peelt 1772 (2 leaves) \*

On the waist of 2, 3, 4, 5, is Taylor's mark and 'Recast 1921.'

**LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.****SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT ABERGAVENNY.**

A quarterly meeting was held on Saturday last at Abergavenny, when a large representative assembly attended from Llandaff, Cardiff, Newport, Whitchurch, Rumney, Llanfrecchfa, Bedwellty, Llanelly, Swindon, Llangattock, Blaenavon, Trevechin, etc. The tower, probably the largest in the diocese, contains a ring of eight bells, tenor about 18 cwt. The building is a fine old Priory Church. It contains a number of ancient monuments, and is full of interest. Ringing commenced about 3 o'clock, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman were rung. Service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. M. E. Davies, M.A.), whose address dealt with the origin of bells and ringing. At the conclusion of the service he explained the various architectural and historical points of the old church.

Tea, which had been very kindly provided in the Church Room, followed, and before the business meeting commenced a little hand-bell ringing was indulged in.—The Vicar took the chair, and at the outset said how pleased he was to welcome the association to Abergavenny.

Arising out of the minutes, the Hon. Secretary read the reply from the Vicar of Abergavenny to a letter sent to him to use his influence to introduce change ringing into his tower. For the information of those not at the meeting the reply was to the effect that the letter and contents would not be forgotten, but the time for the adoption of the suggestions made was not yet.

Instructors' reports were received, and there were good reports from several towers, especially Bedwellty, where it is more than gratifying to find all changes have been dropped, and they are now practising and ringing Grandsire. A feature worth recording is that the whole of this band—a dozen of them, with their Rector—came by charabanc to attend the meeting.

New members were elected, including the whole of the Bedwellty and Abergavenny ringers.

Some thirty years ago an effort was made to introduce change ringing into Abergavenny. It went well for a short time only, and afterwards drifted back again to call changes. It is pleasing that again the effort is to be made, and it is hoped it will succeed. The Vicar is very keen on change ringing, and is doing his utmost to bring his tower in line with the others in the diocese.

The next meeting is the annual, and will be held at Llandaff in December.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens, the local ringers and the ladies for their exceptional kindness and hospitality, was passed, and replied to by the Vicar and one of the wardens.

This brought the meeting to a close, and the bells were again requisitioned and rung in different methods until time for departure. In every sense the meeting was a huge success.

**PEAL BOARD UNVEILED AT CORSTON.**

On Saturday, Sept. 30th, the Rector of Corston, near Bath (the Rev. O. C. Parker, Master of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association), unveiled in his tower a peal board recording the peal of Cambridge Surprise Major rung there on September 2nd, and duly recorded in 'The Ringing World.' In his remarks, the Rector referred to the special character of the two records of peals now in the tower, as on the first is recorded the fact that it was the first ever rung with father, mother and son taking part (the late R. J. Wilkins, and his wife and son), and the second, that it was the first Surprise peal for the Association in which a lady had taken part. He hoped that his own band would gather some of the enthusiasm shown by the band there that evening, especially by coming over for that little ceremony in such awful weather.

Mr. J. Davey, sleepkeeper, spoke of the pleasure it was to many of the inhabitants to hear such good ringing as that on the occasion of the peal. One man in particular who generally was much against the ringing of the bells had told him that 'he liked it when it was ringing like that.' The following band then rang Brooks' quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: A. Reeves 1. W. A. Cave 2. F. G. Leaker 3. A. Stowell 4. E. J. Brown 5. R. Taylor (first in the method) 6. Miss A. Brown (conductor) 7. Mrs. E. J. Brown 8. It was Miss Brown's first attempt to call a quarter of Stedman, and the band hope it will not be long before she succeeds in calling a peal in the method.

An old man (probably over 80) was in the railway waiting-room when the Bristol ringers returned to the station. He had walked from Bath. After a time he asked the ringers if they had heard some bells ringing a little way off the main road.

'They sounded lovely. I don't know, perhaps, it was being out in the country, but I never heard any ringing like that in Bristol,' he said.

He was an interesting old chap, and had, in his young days, been acquainted with a man who was something of a ringer. He had heard that they could ring as many as a thousand different changes.

Mr. Cave told him the party were ringers, and enlightened him in many ways. He helped to pass a dreary wait pleasantly.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

The annual meeting of the Lancashire Association was held at Preston on Saturday, Sept. 30th, and was attended by a representative gathering of members from all parts of the county. The Parish Church, where the service was held, contains the old colours of the Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, and upon the walls are bronze memorials doing honour to the memory of the officers and men of this famous regiment. In addition to the Parish Church bells, five other rings were available, and were used during the afternoon.

At the service, Canon Morris (Vicar) was the preacher.

Tea followed in the Church Schools, and was provided by the ringers and friends. Over 100 sat down, and, for once in a way, nearly 90 had sent in names.

The business meeting was held in another part of the schools, presided over by Canon H. J. Elsee, President. The committee's report was read by the secretary, and the balance sheet was also presented.

The committee's report stated that the number of members was 1,450. The income amounted to £56 16s., while the expenses were £80. The annual report, which had been enlarged, accounted for a lot of the difference, while advantage was also taken of the opportunity to complete unfinished diagrams. Mention was made of several members whose deaths occurred during the year, and of a tablet put up to the memory of one of the Manchester Cathedral ringers who died while conducting a peal there. The peals rung during the year numbered 96, but as the year ended on August 31st this number did not tally with the C.C. Analysis.

A few questions were asked and answered, and both were then adopted.

As there was only one nomination for each office vacant, the nominees (the holders) were re-elected and thanked for past services, to which they replied.

Two resolutions were discussed. One, relating to the appointment of a recognised authority to give advice on church bells, was accepted, and Canon Elsee was chosen to act temporarily. The other, regarding a Bell Restoration Fund, was lost by a big majority.

After some close voting, Kendal was chosen for the next annual meeting.

The meeting closed with votes of thanks to the various clergy, the organist, choir, and ringers for their services in various ways, also to the ringers who rang a course of Caters in church immediately after the Blessing, which was much appreciated by all present.

This proved one of the best meetings the Association has held, and it might have been better if the railway fares were not so 'stiff.'

**DONCASTER & DISTRICT SOCIETY.**

The October meeting of the above Society was held at Conisborough last Saturday. About 20 members were present, representing some twelve different towers. The fine ring of eight bells, which undoubtedly are best in the Doncaster district, were rung at intervals from 3 o'clock until 9 p.m., the methods including Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Norwich Court Bob Major and College Single. Tea was partaken of in the Parish Room. The Vicar of Conisborough presided at the business meeting, at which it was decided to hold the next meeting at Hatfield.

Miss K. Jackson proposed several new members, who were duly elected. Among these were Mr. A. Knights and 'J. F.'

After some discussion it was decided that in future all teas provided at meetings of the society should be paid for at the standard rate of one shilling and sixpence per head, the tea to consist of meat sandwiches, cakes, etc. It is hoped that this will do away with any dissatisfaction there may be, and all criticisms and discussions on the merits or demerits of the different teas that have been provided at meetings.

In proposing a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the local band and ladies for providing tea, the Hon. Secretary referred to the progress which the Conisborough ringers had recently made, and appealed to the Vicar to allow them to ring the bells on Sunday mornings instead of chiming them as at present. In reply, the Vicar said he could take a hint, and would see what could be done in the matter.

**CERTIFICATES OF QUALIFICATION?**

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—In 'The Ringing World' of Sept. 22nd there is an account of a festival at Saltash, at which prizes were presented to various bands. In connection with advancement in ringing, would it not be a great incentive to beginners (and others also) to have gradations of certificates or medals to denote how far they had advanced in the Exercise? i.e. for a peal or plain course, as arranged by the Central Committee.

As matters stand, a change ringers' certificate is obtainable by a mediocre performance on six bells. Learners are usually very keen, but after getting their change ringers' certificate many seem to lose interest. Further awards would provide a constant incentive to further endeavour, and also provide a guide to a ringer's powers when making up teams.—Yours faithfully,

Bath.

I. ROE and M. BROOME

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

## Q-SET PRINCIPLES IN METHOD CONSTRUCTION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—It would be difficult to take Mr. Law James seriously, were it not that ignorance such as he reveals of the nature of q-sets appears to be fairly general among the experts. They seem to regard them as an unexplained and inexplicable juggle with figures, and the wider berth they can give them the better they are pleased. This surely must be the origin of a letter containing at least as many gross errors and palpable mis-statements as it includes lines. Mr. James may be glad to learn that a conductor who calls 3 bobs in consecutive leads does so in obedience to q-set authority just as much as when he calls 143 bobs and 2 singles in Holt's One-part. I would remind him that a charge of wasting space is a double-edged weapon. There has been a sufficiency of illogical writing about extension in 'The Ringing World' during the past few months.

To come to Mr. Yorke Bramble. He at least gives reasoned argument for the faith that is in him. At the same time, perhaps, he will allow me to say that in his reply to me a good deal of what he writes has the appearance of begging the question. But I do not suppose for a moment that this is intentional. Thus he complains that I confuse two issues. I do nothing of the kind. He, of course, regards construction and composition as two separate kinds of operation, unlike one another in character, indeed having nothing in common. On the contrary, I state explicitly my belief that construction and composition are essentially the same thing. In other words, I believe that ringing is a real science, and is consequently bound together in a homogeneous whole as any true science must be. He and those who think like him deny that there is a science of ringing at all, though some of them, through lack of logic, may fail to grasp the necessary consequences of their theories. True, Mr. Bramble employs the term 'science'; but he does so as he frankly confesses in an unnatural sense. Does he really think that to employ technical terms loosely is an aid to clear thinking and an antidote to the hypothetical cloak of mystery?

However, the point on which he apparently lays most stress in his letter is the perfectly astonishing idea that q-sets are only concerned with division or lead-ends. It is true that the term was coined by Thompson, whose investigations so far as I know were confined to Grandsire Triples—a method in which internal falseness cannot occur. In Snowden's Grandsire (pp. 171 ff.) there is an analysis of peals on the three-lead course plan, by means of which the truth of the composition is tested, seemingly in a way quite independent of the q-set. And all the time the q-set is there below the surface dominating the very pretty and convenient artifices employed by Mr. Davies for those compositions. Carrying the argument further to methods without a true proof scale, what does Mr. Bramble imagine Snowden's Natural and False Course-Ends to be if they are not q-sets? So much for his bold and incontrovertible (sic) statement.

But important as this is in its bearing on the subject, it is in a sense only a side issue. Let us confine ourselves to the single question put by me: Is there, or is there not, a harmony running through all change ringing such as that to which Thompson gave the name of q-set in the composition of peals of Grandsire Triples?

Let us consider what would be likely to happen if one of our experts were to ask some independent investigator to examine the plain courses of half a dozen assorted methods and report on their construction. Perhaps I may be allowed to assume him to be a mathematician, though any other type of mind trained to think logically would do equally well. This mathematician would quickly grasp the fact that change ringing from its nature consists of a form of relative motion. He would then notice that in most of these methods, and in particular in all that we call regular or legitimate, this movement produces a particular coursing order at each division or lead end (our old friend, the Bob Major Lead End). He might also find out that the Coursing Order exists, though probably in a veiled form, in the other (irregular or illegitimate) methods at some fixed point in each lead or division. On asking for an explanation of this general similarity he would be told that the Exercise had invented certain arbitrary definitions. 'Well, then, show me an example of a method produced independently of these arbitrary rules and free from the characteristics I have observed.' When he found there were none such forthcoming, he would decline to believe that there was any arbitrariness about it, and that, on the contrary, there must be some fundamental natural law underlying the resemblances he had been able to trace in all the methods brought under his notice. 'You profess that apart from the observance of the given conventions the designer may freely exercise his will in building a change block. You will find it as difficult to persuade me that what you call a convention can be violated as to abolish the tendency of a stone thrown into the air to fall again towards the ground.'

If it came to his ears that in the process of extending the plain course of a method to obtain a round block of any size whatever, there are certain governing factors—not arbitrarily imposed, but inherent in the very nature of change ringing—he could not but be struck by the similarity of these q-sets to what he had learnt by his observations of the various plain courses.

Is there any conclusive logical reason, he would ask, why each method should not have its own constructional q-sets in the same way as in any given method each composition has its q-sets operating in a particular way? If there be no such impossibility, this alone would indicate to a logical mind the values of accepting the idea tentatively at least as a working hypothesis.

I can imagine our mathematician wondering how such a common-sense suggestion should have escaped notice, and apparently he quite new to the experts, and he would be surprised that it should never have been thought of before. But in answer to the suggestion that logically 'composition in any given method can only begin where method construction leaves off,' it is worth noticing that perhaps the greatest intellect ever given to the study of change ringing recognises no distinction between the production of the so-called plain course, and that of the touch or peal. His phraseology is the same in both cases.—Yours, etc.,

E. S. POWELL.

## Q-SETS THOROUGHLY TESTED.

Dear Sir,—I do not know why Mr. Law James always accuses his opponents of 'rushing into print,' except perhaps that it is a harmless habit of his. As a matter of fact, the theory of q-sets, as applied to Method Construction, has been tested more thoroughly than almost any similar theory in ringing. It has also the advantage over Mr. Bramble's theories that it is founded on fact and truth, and not on mere fancies, or as I suppose that gentleman would say, 'Conventions.'—Yours truly,

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

52, Lammas Park Road, Ealing.

## 5,088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR.

By F. BENNETT, BRIGHTON

23456	M	B	W	H
32654	2			2
56234			2	2
23564			1	1
65324			2	2
52364			2	
42563		x	1	
64235		x		2
52465			2	2
46325			1	1
23645			2	2
34625			2	

Repeat the first five courses. Contains the extent with 4th, 5th and 6th in 6th's place, with the 3rd at one course end only. Also the twelve 8-4's, 8-5's and 8-6's.

## 5,040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL.

By REV. H. LAW JAMES.

23456	7th's	M	W	H
346725	—	—	—	—
652437	—	—	—	—
34256	—	—	—	—
25346	—	—	—	—
43652	—	—	—	—
65432	—	—	—	—
45236	—	—	—	—

Repeated.

First even two-part peal in the method, and first on its plan. Rung at Bristol on October 3rd, 1922, conducted by the composer.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Northern Division was held at Great Bardfield on Saturday week. A short service was held in the Parish Church, the Vicar, the Rev. K. E. Cartwright, giving an excellent address.

A tea and meeting followed in the Parish Room, ringers being present from Stebbing, Dunmow, Great Bardfield, Stisted, Rayne, Felsted, Braintree, and Sibbie Hedingham, supported by the Vicar, Mr. T. S. Smith, J.P., churchwarden, and Mr. C. H. Howard, J.P., Master of the Association.

The retiring District Master, Mr. H. F. Cooper, Stisted, was thanked for his services, and Mr. W. H. Dyson, Braintree, was unanimously elected District Master.—Mr. B. Redgewell, Wethersfield, was re-appointed district secretary for the tenth year, and hearty congratulations were sent to him from the meeting upon his recent marriage.—The Rev. K. E. Cartwright was elected an hon. member.

During the afternoon some of the ringers visited Finchingfield, and by permission of the Vicar, the Rev. H. Jordan, rang touches of Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob, Mr. T. Wollard, of Finchingfield, taking part. Touches of Kent Treble Bob, Woodbine and Cambridge Surprise were rung upon the Bardfield bells, and courses of Triples and Caters upon the very fine toned handbells belonging to the Parish Church.

It was decided to hold the next meeting early in 1923 at Bocking.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**PULHAM MARKET, NORFOLK.**—On Sunday, October 8th, for morning service, 928 Superlative Surprise: F. Borrett 1, C. Baker 2, J. Allen 3, R. Whiting 4, A. Berry 5, H. Piercy 6, E. Whiting 7, C. Roope 8; and for evening service, 576 Superlative by F. Borrett 1, C. Baker 2, C. Roope 3, R. Whiting 4, C. Cutting 5, H. Piercy 6, J. Snelling 7, A. Smith 8.

**BOTTESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.**—On Sunday, October 8th, for evening service, at St. Mary's Church, harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 47 mins., composed by A. J. Pitman: F. Martin 1, M. Bend 2, J. R. Jackson 3, C. Briggs 4, A. W. Ward (conductor) 5, R. C. Blakey 6, J. W. Kirtton 7, J. Branson 8. First quarter of Triples by ringers of 1 and 8.

**GODALMING, SURREY.**—After evensong, for harvest festival, on October 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Original: W. Moorey 1, Mrs. Hazelden 2, M. Smither 3, C. Bish 4, C. Childs 5, A. J. Bartlett 6, C. Hazelden (conductor) 7, W. Mills 8.

**CHESHUNT, HERTS.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 1st, for the harvest festival, 1,008 Grandsire Triples: D. Tucker 1, G. Andrews 2, W. G. Darlington 3, H. Warner 4, A. Bull 5, C. Dilley 6, G. Maxim (conductor) 7, J. Littlechild 8.

**MIDDLETON, LANCs.**—On Sunday, October 1st, for evening service, at the Parish Church, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 45 mins.: J. Hallows 1, W. Berry (composer and conductor) 2, J. Jacques 3, J. Smith (first quarter-peal) 4, S. Holt 5, T. A. Ogden 6, F. Berry 7, T. K. Driver 8.

**HEMEL HEMPSTEAD.**—For the harvest festival, at St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, October 1st, after evensong, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes), in 46 mins.: A. E. Weeden 1, R. S. Cook 2, W. Ayre (conductor) 3, H. Gates 4, J. Floyd 5, J. W. Shepherd 6, W. Floyd 7, H. Golding 8. First quarter of Major by all except 3 and 6. Ringers of 1, 2 and 3 belong to King's Langley band.

**NORTHAMPTON.**—At St. Edmund's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 24th, for morning service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: F. Bowers 1, W. Gammage 2, F. Hopper 3, J. Metherell 4, J. Mackay 5, J. Hensman 6, B. Soden (conductor) 7, C. Tebbutt 8.—For evening service, 1,150 Bob Major, in 45 mins.: W. Gammage 1, H. Wills 2, F. Wilford 3, J. Mackay 4, J. Metherell (conductor) 5, B. Soden 6, J. Hensman 7, W. Groves 8. H. Wills and W. Groves hail from Croydon. Rung on the occasion of the harvest festival.

**SOUTH SHORE, LANCASHIRE.**—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, for the harvest festival, at the Parish Church, 720 Minor: R. Miles (Retford) 1, A. Beaumont 2, W. Aaron 3, J. Marsh (first 720 in the method) 4, A. Ingram 5, A. Atkinson (conductor) 6. Ringers of 3, 4 and 5 from Church Kirk, Lanes, and treble from Retford.

**RATBY.**—At St. Phillip and St. James' Church, on Sunday, Sept. 24th, for morning service, 720 Oxford Bob Minor: C. Priestnall 1, B. Wade 2, W. Ball (conductor) 3, P. Ingram 4, T. Chantrell 5, C. Allsop 6. First 720 as conductor.—On Sunday, October 1st, for harvest festival evensong, 720 Oxford Bob Minor, as above, with H. Spencer 4.

**FAKENHAM, NORFOLK.**—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, for morning service, at St. Peter and St. Paul's Church, 480 Oxford Treble Bob Major, 256 Little Bob Major.—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, for morning service, 384 Kent Treble Bob Major, and touch of Little Bob Major and Grandsire Triples: Geo. Cooke, E. Cooke, R. Cook, Harry Cooke, C. S. Tuthill, A. Dye, A. W. Baldwin, J. Godfrey, W. E. Bason, C. Wybrow, C. V. Ebberson (London).

**BRENTWOOD.**—At the Church of St. Thomas-of-Canterbury, for evensong, on September 24th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: H. Tredgett 1, A. Rainbird 2, E. Furbank 3, F. Ringe (first quarter-peal) 4, W. Leggett 5, E. D. Baker 6, Wesley Watson (conductor) 7, S. Carroll 8. The above, with the exception of Mr. Watson who hails from Romford, and has instructed the local band, are service ringers at Brentwood.

**FEERING, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, on the occasion of the harvest festival, for evensong, 800 Bob Major, and after service, a quarter-peal (1,264) in the same method: G. Mayes 1, W. Keeble (conductor) 2, J. C. Newman 3, R. Fisher 4, J. Sadler 5, G. Hayward 6, C. Rogers 7, W. Elliott 8.

**WITCHCOMBE, DEVON.**—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: G. Stocker 1, A. England 2, F. Dimond 3, E. Pook (first quarter) 4, R. Manby 5, J. Skinner 6, R. J. Hayman (conductor) 7, G. Rendell 8.

**PAIGNTON, DEVON.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, Sept. 24th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (arranged for Messrs. Bacon and Jeffries): A. Reynolds 1, F. C. Bacon (London) 2, A. L. Bennett (Buckfastleigh) 3, J. S. Collins 4, C. F. Austin 5, F. T. Glover 6, W. J. Jeffries (Deptford, Kent), conductor, 7, H. J. Hole 8.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.**—At Emmanuel Church, on Sunday, Sept. 24th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: Corpl. W. E. Snell, R.M.A. 1, J. Glavas 2, H. Burner 3, W. Rundle 4, A. Kentfield 5, S. Binfield (conductor) 6, J. Woodlev 7, S. Symons 8. Corpl. Snell hails from Washfield, and Mr. Binfield from Folkestone, who were visiting the town.

**EARL SHILTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.**—On Sunday evening, Sept. 24th, in 22 mins., 720 Bob Minor: P. Reynolds 1, H. Wright 2, A. Waters 3, C. H. Webb (first 720 as conductor) 4, T. Atkins 5, F. E. Wilson 6.

**HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. John the Baptist's, on Sunday, Sept. 24th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters: Miss G. Baker 1, Miss D. Feltham 2, J. J. Pratt (conductor) 3, Miss N. Williams 4, W. Henley 5, E. Hancox 6, P. Jones 7, R. Carter 8, H. Chandler 9, W. Honor 10.

**EDGBASTON.**—For harvest festival, on Sunday, Sept. 24th, at Old Church, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: R. Russell 1, O. Simkin 2, E. Rose 3, L. Cartwright 4, G. Pigott 5, H. Withers (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Cambridge Minor, in 23 mins.: C. Webb 1, J. Withers, junr., 2, J. Withers, senr., 3, P. O. Laffin 4, G. Pigott 5, H. Withers (conductor) 6; and 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: E. Rose 1, H. Williams 2, H. Withers 3, G. Pigott 4, J. Withers, senr., 5, P. O. Laffin (conductor) 6.

**AYNHO, NORTHANTS.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Gibbard 1, F. Neal 2. Police-inspector Fairbrother 3, R. G. Rice (conductor) 4, G. Holifield, junr., 5, M. Smith 6, W. Judge 7, T. Impey 8. This band represents the following parishes: Banbury (3), Somerton, Bicester and Tackley, Oxon, and Appleton and Harwell, Berks.

**EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, before evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. A. Cox 1, A. H. Webb 2, Capt. W. E. Napper 3, T. East 4, W. V. Webb 5, J. S. Napper (conductor) 6, T. Jakeman 7, W. A. Goodenough 8.

**BURFORD, OXON.**—On Sunday, October 1st, for evening service, being harvest festival, 504 Grandsire Triples: C. Cook 1, H. Bond 2, W. Blunsden 3, J. Keyte (Charlbury) 4, F. Soden 5, H. Barrett 6, B. Bishop (conductor) 7, G. Parker 8. Also 168, with T. Bond ringing the 2nd.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

## QUARTERLY MEETING AT WIGSTON.

There are two Wigstons, one Wigston Magna—the other, Wigston (or South Wigston) Minor; notwithstanding that the place was made famous by the long lengths rung there. In 1901, Harrison's 10,176 of Treble Bob was the first Major peal on the bells. In 1904, 11,008 and 17,104 Double Norwich were accomplished, but at the other Wigston members of the Midland Counties Association held their quarterly meeting in the Church of England School, on Saturday week. Alderman R. B. Chambers, of Derby, presided over an assembly which included ringers representing Leicester, St. Martin's, St. Margaret's, St. John's and St. Saviour's; Rugby, Nuneaton, Loughborough, Derby, Stoney Stanton, Stoke Golding, Sheffield, Croft, South Wigston and Wigston Magna. The Rural Dean of Wigston, the Rev. T. W. Wright, and the Rev. T. W. Weston, of South Wigston, were elected honorary members, and several new members were enrolled.

The tower bells of Wigston Magna and South Wigston were placed at the ringers' disposal and touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Double Norwich, Cambridge Surprise, Superlative Surprise, and London and Bristol Surprise were successfully brought round. The 'go' of the bells, which were recently rehung, was deemed to be excellent. Tea was provided by the ladies' committee.

## LEICESTER DISTRICT.

The quarterly meeting of the Leicester District was held at Thurcaston on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. The meeting had been arranged for Anstey and Thurcaston, but owing to the death of the Vicar of Anstey (the Rev. J. Kerry Williams), ringing was confined to Thurcaston. There was a very poor attendance, but touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Double Norwich, and also Cambridge Minor were rung.

The business meeting was held in the vestry. Mr. J. Harris taking the chair in the absence of the local vice-president (Mr. E. Morris).—The annual meeting was fixed for January 16th, at St. Peter's, Belgrave.

Mr. W. Willson moved that a vote of sympathy be conveyed to the relatives, friends and co-workers of the late Vicar of Anstey, who for many years had been well known and respected by members of the Association.—This was seconded by the chairman, who spoke of the deceased gentleman in terms of appreciation and respect.—The motion was carried by the members standing in silence.—A vote of thanks to the Vicar of Thurcaston for the use of the bells brought the meeting to a close.

## THE LATE MR. W. W. GIFFORD.

The fund for the provision of a memorial to the late Mr. W. W. Gifford will be closed at the end of October, and those desirous of contributing should send their donations without delay to Mr. L. Harris, Britford, Salisbury, or Mr. F. W. Romaine, 41, Green Croft Street, Salisbury, joint hon. secretaries. Amount previously acknowledged, £17 15s. 6d.; Salisbury Diocesan Guild (Devizes Branch), £2 5s. 6d.; Mr. M. Stewart, 2s. 6d.; total, £20 3s. 6d.

**MALDON'S NEW BELLS.****ERECTED IN THE ONLY THREE-CORNERED TOWER.**

The Church of All Saints, Maldon, which possesses the only triangular tower in England, has just had its peal of bells recast and augmented to eight by Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich. Previously there were six bells, and the four smallest each contained one line of a quaint rhyme, which has been reproduced on the new bells. The old framework and beams had done duty for centuries, and when removed were found to have decayed to a condition which had rendered them positively dangerous. The new tenor is 1½ cwt. heavier than the old, and the weight of the peal is 51 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb., the metal for the two new trebles having been obtained from the old bell which hung in St. Peter's tower. All the old inscriptions have been reproduced, and on each bell there also appears the names of the present Vicar, the Rev. I. L. Seymour, M.A., the churchwardens, Mr. F. H. Bright and Mr. E. T. Baker, J.P., Mayor of Maldon, and the bellfounder, Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich, together with the date of the recasting. The remainder of the inscriptions are:—

No. 1.—This bell was cast A.D. 1922, from the bell taken from St. Peter's Tower, which was presented by the Rev. Thomas Plume, D.D., in A.D. 1899.

No. 2.—Ditto.

No. 3.—When three this steeple long did hold.

No. 4.—They were three emblems of a scold.

No. 5.—No music then but now shall see. 1707.

No. 6.—What pleasant music six will be. H. P., 1707. Hugh

Browne, Captaine Robient Bailifes.

No. 7.—Thomas Blackburne and Jermy Norton, Chwardens, 1770. Pack and Chapman, of London. Feit.

Tenor (12 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb.).—The Rev. William Williams, Rector. Richard Ward and Jonathan Crosier, churchwardens. Thomas Mears, of London. Feit, 1799.

The dedication took place at an impressive service on Sept. 27th, and was performed by the Bishop of Barking, who, preaching from the text, 'Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say rejoice,' said it was only right that an ancient borough like Maldon should in its parish church have a proper peal of bells. Incidentally he remarked that the three old bells dated from about 1600, and that three more were added in 1700. It spoke well for the workmanship of those days that there was no record of any renewal or repairs being done since that time until the present. The parishioners and donors had reason to rejoice at the work they had accomplished. The cost amounted to £540, the greater portion of which had been raised, and it would be a great thing if they could wipe off the remainder that day. After eloquently dealing with the occasions both of joy and sorrow when the bells are rung, his Lordship spoke of the labour of the ringers, which he feared was not properly appreciated by the people.

During the service a few rounds were rung by the local company, viz.: H. J. Mansfield, F. Chalk, W. J. Brinkley, A. J. H. Peake, W. G. Mansfield, Miss A. E. Waldoock, R. L. Orth and C. Tabor.

After the service, the ringing included 558 Oxford Treble Bob by H. J. Mansfield, J. H. Waldoock, J. D. Buckingham, A. J. H. Peake, F. W. Edwards, R. L. Orth, W. Lincoln (conductor), F. Chalk.

The whole work has been most satisfactorily carried out by Mr. Bowell, who has produced a very nice peal, which are tuned on the Simpson principle, and are carried on a massive iron and steel frame.

It is interesting to note that the initials H. P. on the 6th stand for Henry Pleasant, an old East Anglian bell founder, who had his foundry at various times at Colchester and Sudbury.

**A YOUTHFUL COMPOSER.**

Although only 15 years of age, Robert Hardy, of Norwich, has composed a peal of Double Norwich Major, which was rung at Wyndham on September 21st, and has taken part in twenty-four peals in twelve towers. His peals include Stedman Cinques 1, Kent Treble Bob Royal 3, Stedman Caters 2, Superlative Surprise Major 2, Double Norwich Major 11, Double Oxford Major 1, Kent Treble Bob Major 1, Oxford Treble Bob Major 1, Stedman Triples 1, Bob Major (on handbells) 1.

The composition referred to is as follows:—

**5,088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR.**

23458	1	4	5	6
63254	—	—	—	3
35264	—	—	—	3
56234	—	—	—	—
64235	—	—	—	—
32465	—	—	—	—
24365	3	—	—	—
43265	—	—	—	—
23645	—	—	—	2
53428	—	—	—	8
45326	—	—	—	2
52346	—	—	—	3
32456	—	—	—	2

Repeated. Contains 4-5-6 only in sixth's, with all the 5-4's, 6-4's, 6-5's and 4-6's, with four 4-5's and 5-6's.

**NOTICES.**

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—The 285th Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 11th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 7/6 each, may be obtained from any of the following committee: Messrs. J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, P. E. Clark, W. T. Cockerill, G. R. Fardon, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, R. T. Hibbert, E. Horrex, C. H. Horton, A. Howell, A. A. Hughes, W. J. Kemp, H. Langdon, A. R. Macdonald, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, A. Walker, H. J. Walton, C. F. Winney and E. A. Young.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Paul's Cathedral on Oct. 31st; St. Magnus, Lower Thames St., on the 26th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 17th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 19th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**PULHAM, NORFOLK.**—By permission of the Rector, the bells will be open for ringing on Saturday, Oct. 14th. At 10 a.m. eight members, each over 70 years of age, of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association, will attempt a peal.—Fred R. Borrett.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Milton on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells ready at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea by kind invitation of the Rector, Rev. B. E. Evans.—S. J. Lawrence, Dis. Sec.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Quarterly meeting will be held at Kinver on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available at 3. Service in church, with an address by the Rev. T. A. Cooper Slipper, Vicar, at 4.45. Tea (1/-) at 5.30. Distribution of reports.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby St., Wolverhampton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Bootle (6) on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells ready at 3.30. Service 5.30. Tea and meeting at 6. Members intending being present please send word to Sec. A good meeting is requested.—Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Frome Branch.—The next meeting will be held at East Harptree on Oct. 14th. Charabancs leave Radstock 2 p.m. Those requiring seats and tea should let me know soon.—J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—A meeting of the above Branch will be held at Samlesbury on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6 p.m.—W. Taylor, Branch Sec., Tower House, Penwortham.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Saxmundham District.—A meeting will be held at Kelsale on Saturday, Oct. 14th. The bells of the Parish Church (8) available from 2 to 5 p.m., and Saxmundham (6) from 4 till 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—George Wilson, 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch. — The next meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Walkden, on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Fryerning on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea in the Parish Room, kindly provided by the Rev. Canon Brown.—P. Timson, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Weldon (6) on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Usual arrangements.—R. G. Black, Dist. Sec., Geddington, Kettering.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Berkshire Branch.—A meeting will be held at Blewbury on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service and an address by the Vicar (Rev. E. H. W. Leachman) at 3.45, followed by tea and business meeting. Bells available afterwards.—A. E. Lock, Hon. Sec., 6, Vineyard, Abingdon.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The Autumn meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Thanet, on Saturday, Oct. 14th, by kind permission of the Rev. C. Matthews. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock in the Parish Hall, 1/3 per head. Half-railway fares, up to 2/6, allowed at this meeting. Will all members having collecting cards for the war memorial kindly return at this meeting, with any cash collected, and new ones can be obtained?—E. G. Buesden, Hon. District Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A monthly meeting of this Branch will be held at Burbage on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available 4 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—The next meeting will be held at Northill on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. A good company is requested.—C. J. Ball, 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Wellingborough District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Wilby, on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available at 2 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. A social evening has also been arranged.—F. Barber, Dist. Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The bells of the ancient Parish Church of St. Peter's, Shaftesbury, are to be opened after rehanging on Saturday, Oct. 14th, at 3 p.m. Tea at Stutch's afterwards, by kind invitation of the churchwardens. All ringers welcome.

**ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Sudbury.—A District meeting will be held at Clare, Suffolk, on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Bells available from 12 noon. It is hoped that a good number will attend.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement's, Oct. 16th and 30th; Bishopsgate, Oct. 23rd. Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—A monthly ringing meeting for practice will be held at Harborne on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Bells available at 3 o'clock.—A. J. Skelding, Branch Sec., 7, Cecil Street, Stourbridge.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**S. MARY'S, TAUNTON.**—The two new trebles, to complete the peal of 12, will be dedicated by the Rev. C. C. Parker, Master of the Bath and Wells Association, at 3 p.m. on Oct. 21st. The St. Mary's band will ring for the actual dedication. At the conclusion of the service twelve members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association will ring for an hour. The bells will then be available for other ringers up to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome. St. James' (8) and Wilton (6) will be available after tea, which is being provided through the generosity of the Vicar, Preb. Corfield, in the Schoolroom, at 4.45, to all those who notify me by the 17th.—Major J. R. F. Lightowlers, 'Belle Vue,' Wellington Road, Taunton.

**TAUNTON AUGMENTATION.**—Ringers travelling from Bristol to Taunton on Oct. 21st can travel at cheap rate, viz., 6/6 return; depart No. 1 platform 1.45, return 8.50 p.m. Application, with cash, must be made beforehand, not later than 12 noon, to Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's Hill, Bristol.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—By kind permission of the Rev. A. J. Walker, the Quarterly meeting will be held at Malton St. Leonard's Church on Saturday, Oct. 21st. The bells (8) will be available from 12 o'clock. Service in the church at 3.45. Tea at Clark's Café, Yorkersgate, at 4.30, to be followed by a business meeting in the Church Hall. Will all requiring tea please notify Mr. H. Rowsby, Old Martingate, Malton, not later than Wednesday, Oct. 18th?—A. L. Henderson, Mayfield, Pickering.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Brentwood on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 5 o'clock. Arrangements for tea (1/- each) can be made for all who let me know by the 17th inst. South Weald (6) will also be available. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Theobald, Hon. District Sec., 49, Portway, West Ham, E.15.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The Quarterly meeting of the Guild will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service in church at 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. Will those requiring tea send me word by Thursday, 19th? Chilvers Coton tower will also be open during the evening if required.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Ann's, South Tottenham, on Monday, Oct. 23rd. Bells available from 7 to 9 o'clock. All welcome.—C. G. Coles, Hon. Sec.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next 8-bell contest will be held at Elland on Saturday, Oct. 28th. The draw will take place at the Mexborough Arms 2.45 prompt. Tea (about 1/6) will be provided for those who notify W. Friith, 5, Sufton Street, Birkby Huddersfield, on Saturday, Oct. 21st.



**ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting for the Archdeaconry of Suffolk will be held at Ufford on Oct. 28th at 4 p.m. Bells available all day. Tea will be provided at 4.30 for all members sending their names by Oct. 23rd to Mrs. Drake, Ufford Rectory, near Woodbridge, or to Charles Mee, Archd. Sec., Sproughton, Ipswich.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The Annual meeting of this District will be held at St. Mary's, Woolwich, S.E., on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service and address by the Rev. A. N. Pickering (Rector) at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow in the Parish Room. Will all who intend to be at the tea, which is being provided by the Rector, please send their names to me not later than Tuesday, Oct. 24th? —T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.**—The next Quarterly meeting of the above will be held at St. Elizabeth's, Reddish, on Oct. 28th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 7.—Sam Booth, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Oct. 28th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 5 to 8 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Acton (by permission of the Vicar) on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Tower open for ringing at 3.20. Service at 5.30. Tea arranged for 6 p.m. at 1/-. Should be glad if those requiring tea would let me know by the 26th, and oblige.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The 45th Annual meeting will be held in Newcastle on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Committee meeting in the Upper Vestry of the Cathedral at noon. Service in the Cathedral at 1 o'clock. Dinner, 2/- to members, 3/6 to non-members, at The Collingwood Restaurant at 2 p.m.; general meeting following. Bells available: Cathedral (12), All Saints', Gosforth (10), St. Stephen's (8), St. John's (8), All Saints', Newcastle (8), St. George's (8), St. Mary's, Gateshead (8) and Benwell (6). Those intending to be present at dinner please notify me not later than Oct. 25th.—E. Ferry, Hon. Sec., 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

SET OF 51 HANDBELLS, Chromatic Scale, F.26 to G.04, in good condition.—Price £25.—Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Stockport.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CARNER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Situation required as an **ELECTRICIAN**, good references. Standard methods (8).—D. Hill Brown, 'Sunny Bank,' Gilbert Road, Swanage, Dorset.

**CLIVE, SALOP.**—On Monday, Sept. 4th, at All Saints' Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. Griffiths 1, J. E. Lilley 2, R. Pole 3, G. Jones 4, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 5, R. G. Knowles 6. First 720 in the method on the bells. Also several 120's of Stedman and Grandsire Doubles, in which Messrs. J. Evans, W. B. Kynaston, F. Lyoett and James took part, conducted by R. G. Knowles and J. E. Lilley. Clive bells are the heaviest ring of six in the county of Salop, the tenor being 25 cwt.

**ELMDON, ESSEX.**—On Tuesday, August 29th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor (1,320 changes), in 54 mins.: S. Brookes 1, P. Webb (conductor) 2, P. C. L. Brookes 3, R. Clements 4, A. Baynes 5, A. G. Lilley 6. First quarter-peal in the method, and first attempt by ringers of 1, 3, 5. Also 180 Grandsire Doubles, 120 Bob Doubles, with J. Neagus 1 and R. Bard 6, two local men. The above ringing was arranged for Mr. A. Baynes, of London, who was spending his holiday in the district.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

— GREAT REDUCTIONS. —

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,  
COVENTRY.**



**CHURCH BELLS.**

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).

**W. AGGETT & SONS,****Leading Church Bell Hangers.**

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,****CHURCH BELL****HANGER,**

43, Malvern Road,  
Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

**The Jasper Snowdon Series.**

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDRILL, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 294 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 5th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

**The Central Council Publications****LIST OF PUBLICATIONS**

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	3
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..	4	4
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—Section III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

**"The World's Best Bellropes"**

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker,

**JOHN PRITCHARD,**

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

**UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.**

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½ in. 2¾ in. 3½ in. 3¾ in. 4 in. 4½ in. 5 in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 75/- 98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-

Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

**THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT**

A Beautifully Executed

**RINGERS' PENDANT**

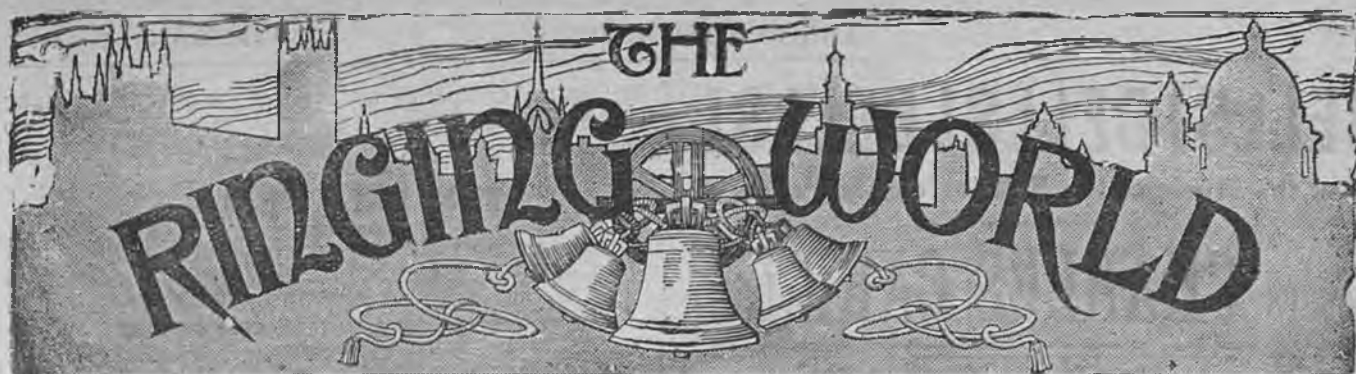
In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specialty Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 35/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Holls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 605. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20th, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 8d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### FRIENDLY RIVALRY IN SUFFOLK.

A very satisfactory year of progress was recorded by the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association at the annual meeting. A growing membership, despite heavy losses from death and other causes, a marked activity in the districts, and the largest aggregate of peals among the associations of the country, all go to make up a gratifying result. The 'fly in the ointment' has been the failure to come to an arrangement to induce the newly-formed St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association to join forces with the older organisation, but it is recorded as a source of satisfaction that the East Suffolk members have remained loyal to their society. This course was only to be expected in towers which, for more than forty years, members have owned allegiance to their old Diocesan organisation. Indeed, we should have been surprised if, all the while the Association professes to cover that area, there had been any serious secession.

The position of Suffolk has been rather different from that presented to existing ringing organisations by the formation of other new dioceses. Two Associations, neither of them taking its title from Suffolk, covered the county so far as ringing affairs were concerned, and there was a fairly clear demarcation of their boundaries. The new diocesan arrangement cut into the districts of both Ely and Norwich Associations, and while the former gave up any claim upon West Suffolk, in order that a new diocesan organisation might be formed, Norwich took action in the opposite direction, and sought to absorb the whole county. On the other hand, the new society has aspirations of its own, and desires to unite all Suffolk towers in one Association. That this course is the one which commends itself to the diocesan authorities seems emphasised by the title which the Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich chose for the new Association, and the fact that he has resigned his position as one of the patrons of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association. And now we have the anomaly of two societies in Suffolk using, so far as that county is concerned, the same title. This curious state of affairs may some day lend itself to a better and less confusing solution; but, in the meantime, the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association, while regretting the absence of fusion, expresses a hope that the two organisations may live side by side in friendly rivalry. This ought not to be difficult, for there are many instances to be found in which ringing associations overlap one another's territory, and yet dwell in peace and harmony. All that is needed is that both sides 'play the game,' and do not endeavour to undermine the allegiance of members in the opposite camp by methods of a doubtful kind.

(Continued on page 658.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 158, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

Given healthy competition, there is no reason why ringing in Suffolk should not benefit from the presence of the two organisations.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS THE MARTYR,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 22½ cwt.

HERBERT LANGDON ... .. Treble	CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... .. 6
EVERED J. WALSON ... .. 2	JAMES SCHOLLES ... .. 7
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 3	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 8
HORACE BELCHER ... .. 4	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 9
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 5	RICHARD F. FORWARD ... Tenor

Composed by GEO. R. FARDON. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt. 6 qr. 18 lb.

CHRISTOPHER WALLATTER ... Treble	GEORGE HUGHES ... .. 6
EDGAR MARLOW ... .. 2	FREDK. J. COPE ... .. 7
BERT HORTON ... .. 3	HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 8
EDWIN J. TYLER ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. COOPER ... .. 9
EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... .. 5	WALTER J. COPE ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by GEORGE HUGHES.

This peal was rung on the eve of the harvest festival, and was specially arranged as a birthday compliment for Mr. George Hughes, also for Mr. and Mrs. William Pardoe's golden wedding.

SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES

Tenor 19½ cwt.

STANLEY BRAGG ... .. Treble	*HARRY BRAGG ... .. 6
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... .. 2	JOHN NEAL ... .. 7
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 3	*ROLAND BRAGG ... .. 8
EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... .. 4	JOHN A. BRAGG ... .. 9
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 5	*WILLIAM LERSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

\* First peal in the method. Ringers of treble, 4th, 6th, 8th, 9th and 10th belong to the local band.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SALFORD, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Sept. 29, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

W. E. CLARKE ... .. Treble	F. PAGE ... .. 5
S. WOOD ... .. 2	W. COOPER ... .. 6
G. E. TURNER ... .. 3	J. W. WASHBROOK ... .. 7
A. BAILEY ... .. 4	H. CHAPMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble and 6th, also to J. W. Washbrook, jun., and Mr. Rimmington. First peal on the bells.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Sept. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WILTON ROAD, S.W.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 9½ cwt.

JOSEPH S. HAWKINS ... .. Treble	ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 5
MRS. A. D. BARKER ... .. 2	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... .. 6
ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. 3	JAMES BOLLOCK ... .. 7
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 4	CHARLES H. KIPPIN, JUN. ... Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR D. BARKER.

MITCHAM, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. Treble	A. J. TRAPPEY ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... .. 2	A. CALVER ... .. 6
J. A. TROLLOPE ... .. 3	AMOS CLARKE ... .. 7
WM. H. JOINER ... .. 4	ERNEST BRETT ... .. Tenor

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN. Conducted by WILLIAM H. HEWETT.

Rung to celebrate the centenary of the church, also as a birthday compliment to the tenor man.

MIDDLETON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Monday, Oct. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN HOLLOWES ... .. Treble	EX-P.C. WALTER BILLINGS 5
JAMES JACQUES ... .. 2	FRANK BERRY ... .. 6
WILLIAM BERRY ... .. 3	P.C. FRED PAGE ... .. 7
THOMAS K. DRIVER ... .. 4	P.C. JOSEPH WILSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM BERRY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 5th, who hails from West Didsbury. Ringers of 7th and tenor belong to the Town Hall, Manchester, the rest to the local band.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 10 cwt.

*PERCIVAL W. NORTON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM E. JUDD ... .. 5
BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... .. 2	HARRY KILBY ... .. 6
CECIL V. EBBERTSON ... .. 3	GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 7
†EDWARD LANKESTER ... .. 4	THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM E. JUDD.

Rung in honour of the 78th birthday of the father of the ringer of the treble. \* First peal away from the tenor. † First peal with a bob bell.

FULNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*JOHN G. AMES ... .. Treble	JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 5
*MISS ANNIE PARKINS ... .. 2	ARTHUR H. PALMER ... .. 6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 3	GEORGE LADD ... .. 7
ARTHUR J. FARR ... .. 4	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

\* First peal in the method.

STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

†WILLIAM BRIGGS ... .. Treble	†FREDERICK E. WILSON ... 5
*THOMAS COOPER ... .. 2	†TOM ATKINS ... .. 6
CHARLES H. BRIGGS ... .. 3	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 7
CHARLES H. WEBB ... .. 4	LEONARD HEWITT ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. H. INGLESANT. Conducted by L. G. HEWITT.

\* First peal away from the tenor and first peal of Major. † First peal of Major. Specially arranged for Messrs. Hewitt and Saunders. Mr. Hewitt was born at Stoney Stanton, learnt to ring there, and was for many years a regular service ringer at the church. Rung on the eve of the harvest festival and the feast of dedication. The ringers would like to take this opportunity of thanking Canon A. E. Disney for the use of the bells.

SHERFIELD ENGLISH, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb. in A.

OWEN H. GILES ... .. Treble	PERCY W. CAVE ... .. 5
CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. 2	D. CECIL WILLIAMS ... .. 6
*GEORGE PULLINGER ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... .. 7
JAMES H. SHEPHERD ... .. 4	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Superlative. First peal of Superlative on the bells. Rung on the eve of the conductor's 41st wedding-day anniversary.

PORTSEA, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.

FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... Treble	WILLIAM TATE ... .. 5
HENRY JENNINGS ... .. 2	RICHARD J. STONE ... .. 6
HENRY L. AITKEN ... .. 3	EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 7
TOWER R. TAYLOR ... .. 4	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by E. J. HARDING, SEN.

First peal of Bob Major on the bells.

ASHTED, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. Treble	JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 5
*GEORGE COOK ... .. 2	GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 6
*ERNEST WEATHERBY ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
JOHN BEAMS ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. HOPGOOD. Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

\* First peal in the method with a bob bell.

BUCKLEY, FLINTS.  
THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

J. E. USHER ... .. Treble	S. BIRKS ... .. 5
J. T. HOPWOOD ... .. 2	WM. SHORT ... .. 6
*E. SHONE ... .. 3	E. MESSHAM ... .. 7
G. DYMENT ... .. 4	*P. ROBERTS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. MESSHAM.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor. Rung in commemoration of the centenary of the church.

WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON.  
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(EXETER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

EDWARD G. STOCKER ... Treble	FRED DIMOND ... .. 5
EDWIN SHEPHERD ... .. 2	JOHN M. SKINNER ... .. 6
ROBERT C. MANLEY ... .. 3	JOHN R. HAYMAN ... .. 7
JOHN C. OKE ... .. 4	*JOHN HARRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. HAYMAN.

\* First peal. Ringers of the 2nd, 4th and tenor hail from Exeter, the rest are local ringers.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**



TARPORLEY, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Helen,

### A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5038 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt. 10 lb.

SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. Treble	ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 5
HARRY F. HOLDING ... .. 2	HARRY OVERTON ... .. 6
RICHARD D. LANGFORD ... .. 3	RICHARD T. HOLDING ... .. 7
GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 4	JAMES H. RIDING ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by JAMES H. RIDING.  
First peal in the method on the bells and by all the band.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Thomas,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Treble	*SIDNEY COX ... .. 5
J. LESLIE WILLARS ... .. 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 6
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 3	*ERNEST J. JELLEY ... .. 7
*CHARLES RANDLE ... .. 4	*JOHN E. CLARKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY BROUGHTON.

\* First peal of Stedman. Quickest peal on the bells. Ringers of 1st, 3rd and 6th hail from Leicester, remainder are members of the local band.

MOUNT SORREL, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

DEXTER'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

JOHN OLDHAM ... .. Treble	SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 5
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... .. 2	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. 6
JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 3	ALFRED MARTIN ... .. 7
PERCY HARRISON ... .. 4	THOMAS TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

This was the first peal of Stedman on the bells.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

RICHARD B. LAMBERT ... .. Treble	*ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. 5
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, SEN. ... .. 2	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, JUN. ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... .. 3	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. 7
REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... .. 4	THOMAS LAMBERT ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. F. PENNING. Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

\* 25th peal. Rung on the eve of the harvest thanksgiving at the above church, and as a birthday compliment to Messrs. R. T., R. E. and T. Lambert.

WHITWORTH, LANCs.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

VICAR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

TOM CLEGG ... .. Treble	WINSTON BANKS ... .. 5
WILLIAM TOMLINSON ... .. 2	JAMES H. LEES ... .. 6
SIMEON TAYLOR ... .. 3	JAMES H. KERSHAW ... .. 7
JOHN GRIFFITHS ... .. 4	*STEPHEN HOPKINSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. LEES.

\* First peal.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Margaret,

### A PEAL OF DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr.

FRANK H. DAVEY ... .. Treble	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 5
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. 2	BEN S. THOMPSON ... .. 6
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 3	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... .. 7
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

First peal in the method by the ringers of the treble, 2nd, 3rd & 5th.

OATLANDS, SURREY.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... .. Treble	EDWARD F. PIKE ... .. 5
HENRY R. NEWTON ... .. 2	ALAN R. MACDONALD ... .. 6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 3	FERRIS J. SHEPHERD ... .. 7
WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... .. 4	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

First peal in the method on the bells.

MANGOTSFIELD.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. James,

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.

*HUBERT JEFFERIES ... .. Treble	*THOMAS JAMES ... .. 5
ERNEST PALMER ... .. 2	*REGINALD MARSH ... .. 6
*WILLIAM HEWETT ... .. 3	JOHN G. JEFFERIES ... .. 7
*P.C. CYRIL HARDING ... .. 4	*CHARLES HANDY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN G. JEFFERIES.

\* First peal. † First peal away from tenor. First peal by a local company.

RUSPER, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

ALBERT ELLIS ... .. Treble	ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 5
FRANCIS T. HOAD ... .. 2	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 6
JOHN AKEHURST ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. ROBINSON. Conducted by ALFRED H. WINCH.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

TUNSTALL, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Cambridge Surprise, and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob & Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 9½ cwt.

WILLIAM WOOD ... .. Treble	*STANLEY B. DOBBIE ... .. 4
*ERNEST J. DOBBIE ... .. 2	EDWARD H. SPICE ... .. 5
WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 3	WILLIAM NYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM NYE.

\* First peal of Minor.

TIOCKHILL, YORKS.—On Monday, Sept. 4th, to the memory of the late Mr. Haigh, for many years sidesman and churchworker at the Parish Church, with the bells half-muffled, 672 Bob Major: C. Thompson 1, J. Cannings 2, W. H. Dale 3, A. Hill 4, H. Wagstaffe 5, H. Barnes 6, A. Winn 7, J. E. Cawser (conductor) 8.—Also 224: C. Thompson 1, J. Cannings 2, H. Barnes 3, Miss Alice Clarkson 4, H. Wagstaffe 5, W. H. Dale 6, A. Winn 7, A. Hill (conductor) 8.

EMBERTON, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholar's Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.  
Tenor 9½ cwt.

HAROLD G. LOVELL ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. MYNARD ... 4
JACOB LOVELL ... .. 2	WILLIAM JACQUES ... .. 5
ERNEST G. MYNARD ... .. 3	EDWIN S. MYNARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK J. MYNARD.

DENNINGTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Oct. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent Treble Bob and Single Oxford Bob, and two 720's each of Oxford Treble Bob & Plain Bob. Tenor 19 cwt.

FRANK REEVE ... .. Treble	ALFRED WATSON ... .. 4
HARRY HALL ... .. 2	JAMES WARDLEY ... .. 5
JOHN GARRETT ... .. 3	JOHN HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN HALL.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Hall.

KEMPSFORD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of 4 six-scores of Plain Bob, 8 of Old Doubles, 6 of Canterbury, 10 of Grandsire & 14 of St. Dunstan's, each called differently.  
Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE J. WINTER ... .. Treble	FRANCIS J. LEWIS ... .. 4
JAMES BUTLER ... .. 2	JOHN HOPE ... .. 5
WILLIAM C. COSS ... .. 3	GEORGE W. HASTINGS ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS J. LEWIS.

HORSELL, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of St. Clement's Bob, Woodbine, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Treble Bob, Single Oxford, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 10½ cwt.

ERNEST OLIVER ... .. Treble	MISS HILDA F. MILLS ... 4
MISS BERTHA M. MILLS ... 2	GEORGE CHANDLER ... .. 5
MISS K. A. AVENELL ... .. 3	QMR.-SGT. G. GILBERT, R.E. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE GILBERT, R.E.

\* First peal of Minor in seven methods. This is believed to be the first peal in seven methods in which three ladies have rung working bells.

MARTLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. Treble	SIDNEY T. HOLT ... .. 4
WILLIAM DOWDING ... .. 2	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... 5
WILLIAM NISLETT ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES CAMM.

First attempt at Double Oxford by W. Dowding. This was R. G. Knowles' 100th peal for this Association.

WOOD GREEN, LONDON.—At St. Michael's Church, on Monday, August 28th, for practice, 360 Plain Bob Doubles: S. Parker 1, E. H. Baldwin 2, W. Lawford 3, A. E. Fount (conductor) 4, F. Moon 5, G. Lawford 6. Also 720 Plain Bob: S. Parker 1, E. H. Baldwin 2, T. Deal 3, W. E. Ringrose 4, F. Moon 5, C. H. Ross (conductor) 6. This is the first 720 'in hand' by the ringers of the treble, 2nd and 5th, to whom great credit is due.

WILLINGTON, BEDS.  
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

† WILFRED C. IBBETT ... Treble	HERBERT FIELDS ... .. 4
* MISS C. M. FIELDS ... .. 2	† THOMAS H. TOWNSEND ... 5
GEORGE D. COLEMAN ... .. 2	SIDNEY J. COLEMAN ... Tenor

Conducted by S. J. COLEMAN.

\* First peal. † First peal in three methods.

WEST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. George,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three 720's of Plain Bob, and two each of Oxford Single and Warnham Court, each called differently.

T. ADAMS ... .. Treble	* V. GOATCHER ... .. 4
* G. WARNETT ... .. 2	J. BOWELL ... .. 5
H. TURRELL ... .. 3	W. DENMAN, JUN. ... Tenor

Conducted by W. DENMAN, JUN.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Oct. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Royal Grammar School,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 18 in G.

WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 1-2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	* WILLIAM T. BEESON, JUN. 7-8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witnesses: MISS GREGORY and MRS. POLLING.

\* First peal 'in hand.'

CLAPHAM, SURREY.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Oct. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
At 63A, OLD TOWN,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

* MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 1-2	GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 5-6
WILLIAM PYE ... .. 3-4	* FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 7-8

Composed by JAMES PAGETT. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Umpires: W. HEWETT and C. W. R. GRIMWOOD.

\* First peal in the method 'in hand.'

LONDON.  
THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
At 63A, OLD TOWN, CLAPHAM, S.W.,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 16 in B flat.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 1-2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	* WILLIAM HEWETT ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: C. W. R. GRIMWOOD. Witness: MRS. F. I. HAIRS.

\* First peal in the method 'in hand.'

SHREWSBURY.  
ST. CHAD'S SOCIETY.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes,  
In St. Chad's Belfry,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with 10 different callings.

* REGINALD KYNASTON ... 1	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 3-4
JAMES E. LILLEY ... .. 2	WILLIAM B. KYNASTON ... 5
† DAVID JAMES ... .. 6	

Conducted by JAMES E. LILLEY.

\* First peal. † First peal on handbells.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. ROCHESTER DISTRICT'S SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The annual meeting of the above district was held at Sittingbourne on Saturday, October 7th, and was attended by a thoroughly representative gathering. It was pleasing to note the 'young blood' of the district taking interest in these meetings, and they turned up in force. In the absence of the Vicar, who was away on mission work, the Rev. M. Allen, curate, officiated, and the organist was also present, and enlivened the service. A collection at the close realised 11s. 2d., and helped to swell the Association War Memorial Funds.

Tea was served at Cremer's Restaurant, and 44 members sat down. The business meeting followed, Mr. W. Haigh, Gillingham, being elected to the chair.

Three non-resident members, Messrs. A. H. Pulling (Guildford), G. W. Seere (Guildford) and C. H. Dobbie (Surrey), who had been proposed previous to peal attempts, had their election confirmed, and one new practising member was elected.

The District Secretary presented his annual report and balance sheet. In the former he reported that Sunday ringing was being fully maintained, and in the matter of peal ringing the district was not behind, as some good peals were recorded. At their district meetings they had been entertained by the Rev. Campbell Ward, at Swanscombe. The membership showed a slight falling off, owing to the large band at Haling last year, which numbered 24, falling down to three. Bell restoration was going ahead in their midst, as Gravesend were hoping shortly to have their peal of eight recast and hung in a new steel frame. Mr. Bowell had put in a frame for six at Chalk, and rehung the present three, which was a step towards getting six at that tower. Cliffe bells were shortly to be overhauled by Mr. Bowell, and rehung, and it was hoped that this peal of eight would be ringable by Christmas. Their old friend, Mr. Haigh, of Gillingham, automatically ceased to be a member of the general committee, and he was sure the district could not let the occasion pass without expressing their keen appreciation of his valued services for a great number of years. Their share in the County War Memorial was slowly, very slowly, going ahead, and he was pleased to report that that day their total had reached £10, and urged the members to hurry on with their collecting cards. Their balance sheet, including the day's expenses, showed a balance in hand of £12 10s., and he commented on the fact that they only mustered four hon. members in their district, which was a very poor total. On behalf of the Association he thanked all for their support, feeling assured it would be continued.

On the proposition of Mr. Shellock (Chatham), a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the secretary for his report and balance sheet.

The Chairman said that having heard such a report he was bound to propose the re-election of their secretary, Mr. F. M. Mitchell, which was unanimously agreed to.

Mr. W. Haigh, who had so faithfully served the district on the committee, was sent back to that body, as district representative, to accompany Mr. W. Spice (Tunstall), the other representative.

Northfleet was chosen as the place for the next meeting, to be held on Saturday, January 13th, 1923, and to conclude the meeting a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, to the curate for conducting the service, to the organist for his accompaniments, and to the chairman for presiding.

The tower was again visited, and during the day touches in various methods up to Cambridge and Superlative Surprise were rung. After the meeting Tunstall tower was well patronised by six-bell enthusiasts. The bells were lowered in peal on the district's last meeting of the year, all expressing the hope that next year would be even more successful than the one they were finishing.

## TONBRIDGE DISTRICT.

A quarterly meeting of the above was held at Westerham on Saturday, Oct. 7th, and was attended by about 40 members. Some good practice was obtained in the various standard methods. The usual service was held, conducted by the Vicar (Canon Boyd), who gave a most interesting address, in which he traced the history of the ancient church, and pointed out the features of the sacred building. Unfortunately the Vicar was unable to attend the tea and business meeting, but his churchwarden (Col. Bonham Carter) kindly filled his place.

The District Secretary made a feeling reference to the loss the district had sustained in the sudden death of Mr. T. Wallis, of Edenbridge, and read a letter he had received from Mrs. Wallis, in reply to a letter of condolence he had sent on behalf of the members of the district. The secretary's action was approved, and the members signified their sympathy and respect by standing in silence for a few moments.

The District Secretary subsequently made an earnest appeal on behalf of the fund which is being raised for the widow and daughter of the late Mr. Wallis, whose activities during his lifetime were recorded in 'The Ringing World' of Sept. 22nd. A collection realised £2.

On the question of a tower for the annual district meeting, Tun-

bridge Wells and Sevenoaks were proposed.—On being put to the vote Sevenoaks was selected.

The usual votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar, Colonel Bonham Carter, and to Mr. G. B. Selby, and the rest of the local band for the respective parts they had taken in arranging and carrying out such a successful meeting.

The members then again adjourned to the tower for further ringing.

## INSTRUCTIONAL WORK.

### To the Editor.

Sir,—You are right in urging the importance of providing instructors for change ringing, and in your view that more might be done, and with greater energy, in this direction. But it is only fair to the Associations to remember certain difficulties which in practice hamper the best intentions. The first is that of finding competent instructors. Many good ringers, with all the will to help, cannot teach others. They lack the infinite patience and sympathy with ignorance which a good teacher should have, in class room or in belfry; they cannot 'suffer fools gladly'; and they are too often impatient of results. The visits of such men to a young band may result in disappointment rather than encouragement. Another difficulty, felt more perhaps in country places than in towns, is that of securing regular attendance and perseverance on the part of learners, and their impatience of correction.

'No man,' it has been well said, 'will make a good ringer who cannot stand being told that he is wrong'; and when this happens, neither the instructor nor the Association which sends him is to blame.

There are also difficulties of cost, of distance, of communication with remote districts, and so forth; but where there is a will to overcome these, a way can be found. The real difficulty, as with most machinery and with any scheme for benefiting others, lies in the human element—in the man behind the machine, in the agent for carrying out the scheme, and in those whom it is intended to benefit; and so it is with instructional work among ringers. Such work deserves every encouragement, and all the energy that can be put into it; but it is not so simple a matter as it seems on paper.

T. L. PAPILLON

(Formerly Master of the Essex Association).

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Northern Branch was held at Gainsborough, on Saturday, Sept. 30th, when members to the number of 70 were present from the various towers connected with the branch. A short service was held in the Parish Church, at which the Rev. H. T. Parry, of Bigby, gave an excellent address.

Tea was subsequently partaken of in the Co-operative Hall, and was followed by a business meeting presided over by Mr. F. P. Linley (President of the Branch), who was supported by the Rev. Canon Standon (Vicar of Gainsborough), the Rev. H. T. Parry (Rector of Bigby), the Rev. R. Bond (Rector of St. Peter-at-Archies, Lincoln), members of the committee, and the hon. secretary.

Several new members were elected, and Market Rasen was chosen as the place for the half-yearly meeting.

The President gave a most interesting address upon the history of bells.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and for arranging the service, also to the Rev. H. T. Parry for his address, brought the business meeting to an end.

Some excellent ringing, both in the afternoon and evening, took place upon the magnificent peal of eight, which hang in the tower of the Parish Church.

## THE LADIES' GUILD.

### SOUTHERN DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.

The third annual meeting of the Southern District of the Ladies' Guild was held at Hawley on a recent Saturday. Ringing commenced shortly before 4 o'clock, and was continued until 4.30, when the Rector (the Rev. Glennie) conducted the Guild service. Afterwards the party, consisting of eleven ladies and ten gentlemen, made their way to the Parish Room, where a splendid tea had been prepared by some of the lady members of the church.

At the business meeting it was proposed by Mrs. Hazelden, and seconded by Miss A. Fisher, that Miss H. Mills should remain as secretary.—It was decided, if possible, to hold the next annual meeting at Rammore.—A hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. and Mrs. Glennie, and to all who assisted in giving the ringers such a good time, was passed.

The belfry was then again visited, and more touches rung, including a course of Grandsire by the following members of the Guild: Miss Avenell (Worplesdon) 1, Miss B. Mills (Aldershot) 2, Miss Wood (Bagshot) 3, Miss A. Fisher (Aldershot) 4, Mrs. Melville (Guildford) 5, Miss E. Fisher (Dorking) 6, Miss Nye (Bagshot) 7, Miss H. Mills 8. The towers represented were Guildford, Aldershot, Bagshot, Yateley, Farnboro', Worplesdon, Sandhurst, Hawley, Dorking and Camberley.

**A TOUR THROUGH CHESHIRE.**

On Thursday, Sept. 21st, twelve good men and true from Liverpool arranged to meet at Woodside, Birkenhead, for a motor trip round the south of Cheshire, but at the appointed time one was found to be 'dodging the column.' He was eventually discovered consuming cigarettes, watching the policemen on point duty. When all were aboard, the party started on the great adventure. After a good run they reached Bunbury, the first call. Here is a good ring of eight (tenor 14cwt. 3qr. 11lb.), by Mears and Stainbank, and a well-struck touch of Stedman augured well for the day's enjoyment. Touches of Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob were also rung. Going on to Tarporley the party found a very handy peal of eight (tenor 10 cwt.), also by Mears and Stainbank. The bells were soon ringing merrily to Stedman, and afterwards, Superlative having failed, Oxford Treble Bob was rung instead. Then came the great call of the day—dinner. The party were welcomed by mine host of the Rising Sun, who surpassed himself in the sumptuous and substantial meal he placed before them. The trusty steed having then been wound up and fed, the party sped on to Wistaston, where there is a light ring of six (tenor 6 cwt. 0qr. 6lb.), by Gillett and Johnston. Touches of Stedman Doubles and London Minor were rung. When on the road again the erstwhile trusty steed put the 'wind up' the company by slipping a nut. Upon examination, however, this proved far less serious than feared, and Crewe was reached, where conclusions with that excellent ring of 10 (tenor 20 cwt.), by Gillett and Johnston, were tried, and a most creditable touch of Stedman Caters rung, followed by Grandsire Caters and Kent Treble Bob Royal. Then, augmented by one of the Crewe ringers (who kindly acted as guide as far as Sandbach), the excursionists proceeded to the 'piece de resistance,' that fine old ring of eight at Barthomley. Here is one of Taylor's masterpieces, as fine a ring of eight as one would ever hear (tenor 13cwt. 1qr. 14lb.). Met by the Vicar (the Rev. — Skene), a genial gentleman, who breathes goodwill to everybody, they were shown some interesting objects round the church, particularly the fine Norman arch. Well-struck touches of Stedman and Plain Bob were brought round, and then the party had to hurry along to Sandbach, where tea was waiting for them. Afterwards, in the tower, where there is a handy peal of eight (tenor 16 cwt.), various touches were rung. It was now getting dusk, so it was regretfully decided to leave out Middlewich and Over, and the steed was turned towards the port of Chester, and thence to Birkenhead. Thanks are tendered to the respective Vicars and steeplekeepers for granting permission and seeing that everything was ready, and to those friends who met the party at the various places.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****MEETINGS THAT CLASH.**

A quarterly meeting of the Western district of the Hertford County Association was held at King's Langley on a recent Saturday, and was one of the most successful meetings since the district was formed. Ringers to the number of 23 attended from Berkhamsted, Hemel Hempstead, Bushey, Oxhey, Croydon, Tring, Hatfield, and the local tower. The methods rung were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and Kent and Plain Bob Major.—The Vicar (the Rev. J. P. Haythornthwaite) conducted a short service in the Parish Church, and gave a very interesting address, which was much appreciated by those present. Tea, which was served in the Church House by the wives of the King's Langley ringers, was followed by the business meeting, the Vicar presiding.

Before proceeding with the business, the Secretary asked that a hearty vote of thanks be given the Vicar and the local ringers for entertaining the association with a splendid tea.—This was accorded by acclamation.

The Vicar was elected an honorary member of the Association, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Hemel Hempstead on the first Saturday in December.—On the proposition of Mr. W. Ayre, the hon. secretary was asked to arrange with the secretaries of the Watford and St. Albans Districts so that the meetings do not clash, as had happened recently.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells and his address, to the organist, and also to the ladies for assisting at the tea table.—This concluded the business, and the helphy was again visited.

**5,088 BRISTOL SURPRISE.**

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—The 5,088 of Bristol published in the current issue by F. Bennett was composed by me some years ago. I have passed the figures on to various conductors from time to time, among whom, if memory serves me, are R. Matthews, S. Grove and T. J. Salter.

Perhaps if this meets the eye of any gentleman who has them among his collection, he will be good enough to corroborate my statement.

I have always regarded this as the best peal obtainable in the method.—Yours, etc.,  
Smethwick.

J. FIGOTT.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE**

**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

There ought to be a suitable commemoration next Thursday of the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal ever rung, for it is exactly a hundred years ago on the 26th that the All Saints', Wakefield, Society, rang the peal upon their own bells, Joseph Tobbs, of Leeds, being the only outsider in the band.

The peal, it is recorded, was composed and conducted by William Woodhead, and the composition is preserved. It is in three parts, with a middle and wrong in every course, and a bob at home at every fifth course-end. Strictly, of course, the plan is Annable's.

In the annals of the Wakefield Society it is stated that it was 'the first peal ever attempted in the above difficult method by any set of men in the kingdom, which will be a standing laurel for the society for ages to come.'

Here, then, is an opportunity for present-day Cambridge Surprise Royal men to celebrate an interesting centenary.

Holt's Original was rung at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, London, on Oct. 23rd, 1791, and until recent years it was believed that this was the first occasion the peal was conducted by one of those ringing in the peal. Investigations have now shown that this was done at Saffron Walden on Christmas Day, 1753, and again on New Year's Day, 1754.

On the anniversary in 1884 of the peal at St. Giles', the College Youths rang the composition 'silent' at the same church.

On October 25th, 1731, a peal of Stedman Triples was rung at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, and was the first in the method. It was proclaimed and recorded in the picturesque language which was customary at the time, but proved to be false.

On October 24th, 1807, a peal of 15,120 Bob Major was rung at St. Paul's, Oldham, in 8 hours 46 minutes.

In 1891, on Oct. 24th, a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on the Curfew Bells at Windsor Castle, by the Cumberland Youths, conducted by George Newson. A peal had not been rung on the bells for more than a hundred years.

On Oct. 26th, 1837, a 7,325 Grandsire Cinques was rung at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields by the St. James' Society, and on the same day in 1867, 6,240 Cumberland Exercise Major (composed by Sottenstall) was rung at Liversidge.

A correspondent, J. J. J., writing with regard to the Leatherhead outing recorded last week, says: 'I suppose dear old Winchy was fast asleep when he passed two eight-bell towers—Hawley and Yateley—in Hampshire, and thus missed making a 6-county trip!'

Mr. R. Geater, captain of St. Peter's band, Tiverton, writes to point out that the recent peal at Babbacombe was not the first in which a lady had taken part in Devon. About fifteen years ago Miss Elliott rang the 3rd through a beautifully struck peal at Tiverton, where the tenor is 28 cwt.

'Once a Beginner' writes that he notes in the last issue a peal of Surprise at Frodsham, in which a father and two sons rang their first peal of Surprise together. 'Now, to settle any further arguments like this or the one when dear old friend Tom of Kidder and Tom O'Kent claimed to be something or other, how about Father Banister and his six sons at Woolwich? How many did they ring? I know that a lot of them were in the second peal of London ever rung.'

It is an interesting fact that these seven Banisters with a tenor man rang peals both of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and, as 'Once a Beginner' points out, father and several sons were in the first peals of Superlative and London which they rang. The College Youths peal book between 1843 and 1851 might give us further information.

Mr. George Williams writes to thank his many ringing friends for their kind letters of congratulation upon his 1,000 peals. They have been so numerous that he has not yet had time to answer them all.

'A local' peal of Grandsire Triples has been rung at Mangotsfield, Gloucestershire, in which there were five 'first peals.' These five ringers only learnt to pull a bell after the ring was opened in May, 1921, and are to be congratulated upon their progress.

Last Saturday a peal of Stedman Cinques was attempted at Sheffield Cathedral to celebrate Church Congress week. Unfortunately it came to grief in the last few sizes, after 3 hrs. 57 minutes' ringing! What luck!

The peal of Minor at Bridstow, on October 3rd, was rung in 2 hrs. and 45 minutes—not 3 hrs. and 45 minutes, as printed last week.

A well-known ringer who took part in the Oxford Guild tour in Beds and Berks, and travelled by motor-cycle, has had to pay two police court fines for technical offences while on the road. Probably railway fares would have proved cheaper under the circumstances.

Mr. Ben Gough, of Tipton, is, we are pleased to state, making great progress after his recent accident, and hopes to be at business in the course of a few days. He wishes to thank his numerous friends, both near and far, for their kind letters of sympathy, and also the many visitors who called to see him at his home.

## NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association held its annual general meeting at Ipswich on Wednesday, Oct. 4th. The rings of bells at St. Mary-le-Tower (12), St. Margaret's (8), St. Clement's (6), St. Matthew's (5), St. Lawrence (5), St. Mary's, Bramford (6), and All Saints', Sproughton (6), were, by kind permission of the incumbents, open for the use of members throughout the day. Divine service was held in the Church of St. Mary-le-Tower, conducted by the President of the Association (the Dean of Norwich), and the sermon was preached by the Venerable A. R. Buckland, M.A., Archdeacon of Norfolk.

Luncheon was served at the Ipswich Co-operative Hall, the President being in the chair. Supporting him were the Venerable Archdeacon of Norfolk, the Rev. W. C. Pearson, Mr. Charles E. Borrett (vice-president), Mr. Arthur L. Coleman (general secretary), Messrs. H. J. Day, F. R. Borrett, C. E. Fisher (district secretaries), Mr. S. R. Roper (Croydon), Mr. E. P. Poppy, Mr. J. Souter, and forty other representatives from Norfolk and Suffolk. Letters of apology were read for non-attendance from the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Thetford, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Wood, Canon Douglas-Hamilton, Capt. A. E. Reeves, Mr. G. P. Burton, and Messrs. G. E. Symonds, C. S. Tullihill, and George Wilson.

The toast of 'The King' was proposed by the Dean of Norwich, and duly honoured.

The Venerable Archdeacon of Norfolk proposed 'The Association, which was responded to by Mr. Hubert J. Day.

### BISHOP OF ST. EDMUNDSBURY'S RESIGNATION.

The President read a letter from the Lord Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, resigning his patronage of the Association, stating there was a new Diocesan Association for St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, of which he was president, and that it would be vain to attempt any effective contact with both. Therefore, under these circumstances, he ought to resign his connection with the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association, which he regretted extremely parting from.

Mr. Arthur L. Coleman then read the 41st annual report for 1922 (the 45th year of the Association). In this it stated that the committee were gratified to be able to congratulate the members on the steady progress that had been made since their last annual meeting. During this period their membership had increased, and 190 peals were accomplished by their members. Many of these peals were excellent performances, and indicated the progress and intention of their members to ring the higher and more intricate methods. Seventy-four members had been elected during the year, but they regretted the loss of ten members by death, and 28 by resignation and lapsed membership. There now remained a total membership of 1,070, as against 1,022 last year. Deep regret was expressed at the heavy toll, by death, amongst the few remaining original members of the Association, viz., the Rev. Edmund Charles Hopper, M.A., Mr. Frederick Day, Mr. James Skinner, Mr. Robert Hutton and Mr. Thomas Sadler. The Association again occupied the first place in the Central Council's Analysis, with a grand total of 189 peals, and with a total value in points of 3,338. The average of points per peal was 17.65, this being 1.761 points above the average value per peal by all Associations. Three branch meetings and two district meetings had been held by the Norwich Diocesan Branch, and two branch meetings and twelve district meetings had been held by the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Branch.

### THE SUFFOLK DISCUSSION.

The report reviewed the unsuccessful efforts to federate the Association with the new Suffolk Diocesan Association under its 'scheme of Federation,' which, after careful deliberation, was rejected by both the Standing Committee and by the two branches of the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association. It was satisfactory that this somewhat complicated controversy had, at least, had a happy issue, in so far that the Norfolk and East Suffolk members still remained firmly united, and that both branches were now embraced in one Association covering the two Dioceses, the Norwich Diocese and the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocese. The only regret was that the founders of the new Suffolk Diocesan Association did not see their way to throw in their lot with them, and that as a result there were now two Associations at work in the Suffolk Diocese. It was hoped they would continue as good neighbours and friendly rivals.

The President said they had hardly reached their ante-war figures, but they were not far off. Considering all the difficulties, a total membership of 1,070 was very creditable indeed, and they had accomplished good work.—The report was unanimously adopted.

The General Secretary and Treasurer submitted an estimated balance sheet for the year ending December 31st, 1922, which showed that there would be a deficit of £25 (approximately) owing to the heavy expense in printing the peal records in the annual reports.

The President stated that the Standing Committee had that morning carefully considered the Association's financial position, with the

view of reducing the large expenditure on the reports, and that they recommended as a temporary measure only, the tabulation of the 'peal records' as being the only means of making a substantial reduction of expenditure without destroying the general feature of the annual report, so that the deficit could be wiped out.—The report was unanimously adopted.

All the officers were re-elected.—The President proposed, and the Secretary seconded, the Rev. Canon F. J. Meyrick, Vicar of St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, as an elected member of the Standing Committee, vice the Rev. E. C. Hopper, deceased.

The General Secretary announced with regret the resignation of Mr. James Motts as district secretary for Ipswich, and paid high tribute to his services, covering a period of 44 years.—The Dean of Norwich moved, and the Rev. W. C. Pearson seconded, that Mr. James Motts be elected a vice-president of the Association, in recognition of his great services to the Association.—This was carried unanimously.

### THE IPSWICH BRANCH SECRETARYSHIP.

The General Secretary read the names of twelve life members (non-resident) for ratification, and the nominations of sixteen members for election.—These were all duly elected.

Mr. William B. Duncan was elected district secretary for the Aylsham district, and Mr. Frederick C. Lambert, district secretary for the Halesworth district.—The announcement that Mr. Charles E. Fisher had withdrawn his resignation as district secretary for the Woodbridge district was received with gratification by the meeting.

The General Secretary said that the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Branch had not met to appoint a branch secretary, but hoped soon that the branch would be successful in finding a member to take office in place of Mr. Edward Evans, resigned. The annual report expressed regret at Mr. Evans' resignation on leaving Ipswich, he having held office from the inception of the constitution of the Association into two branches, and eulogised the work that Mr. Evans did in organising the Suffolk Branch. The thanks of the Association were due to him for guiding that branch through a complicated and difficult period with success.

The General Secretary said he had received a letter from the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, librarian to the Central Council, asking for a careful revision of the Association's 'roll of honour,' as published in the annual report for 1919, for the preparation of the Central Council Ringers' Roll of Honour of Church Bell Ringers who fell in the great war. The names were to be written on parchment, and given an honoured place in the library of the Council. It was important that the list should be complete and accurate, and he (Mr. Coleman) hoped that members would send in to him any corrections or additions without delay.

Votes of thanks were moved to the Ven. the Archdeacon of Norfolk for his eloquent address at the service, the incumbents for their kind permission for the use of the bells, and to Miss Baldwin for presiding at the organ at the service that morning. A very successful and enjoyable meeting then terminated.

## CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

### PROPOSED 'ARMISTICE DAY' RINGING.

By kind permission of the Rector, the Rev. C. F. Westacott, a quarterly meeting of the Wellingborough District was held at Wilby on Saturday, October 14th, members being present from Finedon, Irthlingborough, Wellingborough, Great Doddington, Earls Barton, Easton Maudit, Thrapston, Yardley, Hastings, Great Addington, and the local ringers. The bells, a light peal of five, were kept going during the afternoon and evening to Stedman, Grandsire and Bob Doubles.

A short service was held in the beautiful little church, conducted by the Rector, who gave a very interesting address, and appealed to those present to be loyal and true to the Association, and make themselves more worthy of their calling.

The party then made their way to the Church Room, where 29 sat down to a splendid tea, kindly provided by some friends at Wilby, and which was heartily appreciated.

The business meeting followed, and in the absence of the vice-president, through illness, the Rector presided, and extended a very hearty welcome to the members. He hoped to see a larger number of them the next time they came to Wilby.

The Secretary said that a suggestion had been made to alter the annual meeting from Whit-Monday to some other date not yet fixed, and invited those present to express their opinions upon it. The majority, however, saw no reason for making an alteration.

The Secretary also appealed to the members to do their best to carry on the good work begun so well last year in the ringing of the bells muffled on Armistice Day, and said that no doubt there would be many peals rung this year, as it fell on a Saturday. He hoped, however, that if peal ringers were drawn from other places they would so arrange that their own towers were not neglected.

Votes of thanks were heartily accorded to the Rector for the use of the bells and for his address, to the donors of the tea, the organist and the lady helpers. This brought a very enjoyable and successful meeting to a close.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

## THE OXFORD GUILD TOUR.

(Continued from page 646.)

Wraybury.—The Rev. L. F. Hake, Vicar. Mr. J. Burley, foreman. Saturday, Sept. 16th.—Early astir and a promise of a fine day, the band turned out prompt and fit to take motor at 9.30, the vehicle being generously supplied by an old friend of the Slough ringers, Mr. E. Sargeant, parish clerk. Engine trouble made some delay, but it enabled Mr. Evans to reach us, he having missed his train from Wycombe, and taxied over rather than be out of the finish. We were met by the Vicar, and Mr. Churchwarden Mann, formerly of Sittingbourne (both practical change ringers), the former offering up prayers. Some little fitting had to be done to the 4th slider and stay, and a full examination was made all round before starting upon our 'one thousand up.' At 2.30 p.m., the fourth man ever to have completed 'his thousandth' peal had the satisfaction of crying 'this is all' to a good performance. When you begin to feel an aching void in the lower regions, it doesn't help one to find the man who had been instructed to prepare a birthday lunch for the party, ringing beside you. The man who should have rung had no such instructions, and so we had to wander about a little before Mr. Burley could find us some food. The Perseverance Inn rewarded us, and brother Bill paid the bill to the tune of 'Britons never, never, Nevad shall be slaves.' That homely meal, taken not far from Runnymede, where King John was forced to sign the Magna Charta, will not for long be forgotten by the dozen men present. Of the band—in the order they stood—the number of peals to their credit totalled as follows: Treble, 1,193; second, 499; third, 230; fourth, 47; fifth, 200; sixth, 234; seventh, 800; and tenor, 1,000; or a grand total of 4,203 peals in all. Wraybury Church, dedicated to St. Andrew, is supposed to have been built by King John. It is in the Early English style, with later additions. There are ancient brasses, 1512 and 1588. Earlier registers are supposed to have been destroyed by fire, for the present ones date from 1734. On an adjoining estate is a portion of King John's hunting-box, now a farmhouse, and on Magna Charta Island may be seen the massive oak table upon which King John is said to have affixed his seal, the original document being still preserved here.

Old Windsor. — Rev. J. Russell Napier, Vicar. Mr. J. Gutteridge, foreman. We were reinforced here by the arrival of the South Bucks twins, Messrs. W. Henley and W. Welling, and were visited by the Vicar. We settled down to some good London Surprise Major, but its successful ending was not to be, and at 7 p.m. we adjourned to high tea at the Wheatheaf Hotel, on the invitation of Mr. Fussell to celebrate an annual event. The team in the tower were Messrs. Jenkins, Fussell, Mayne, Henley, Evans, Welling, Hart and Williams (conductor). They were joined at the tea-table by the other tourists, who had made a flying visit to Windsor Castle and the Royal Chapel. We recrossed old Father Thames in a G.W. railway carriage via Eton, not as we came into Berks—by old-fashioned ferry boat at Wraybury loaded with ten hefty peal ringers in one load. Ten o'clock saw the party taking supper at the Reindeer, Slough, well satisfied with their ups and downs and rounds of the tour, tired but happy.

W. H. F.

## READING RINGERS IN TAUNTON DISTRICT

On Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 2nd and 3rd, St. Mary's Society, Reading, held their annual outing, when they visited Taunton and district. On arriving at 12.15 they were met by an old friend, in the person of Mr. J. Hunt, who had made all arrangements, and who conducted the party to their headquarters, Poole's Restaurant, where the inner-man was quickly satisfied. After this two taxis conveyed the visitors to Wiveliscombe, where there is a fine peal of eight (tenor about a ton), and Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob were rung. The visitors then went on to Milverton (tenor 19 cwt.), where the same methods were rung before adjourning to the White Hart Hotel for tea. Afterwards, some of the party tried their hands at skittles, but without much success. Proceeding to Norton Fitzwarren, where there is a light peal of six, Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob were rung, but this part of the programme had to be hurried over, as an invitation had been received from Mr. John Thomas to ring on the fine peal of twelve at St. Mary's, Taunton. This was much enjoyed. The rest of the evening was spent at the Wood Lane Inn (kept by Mr. Joe Maddock, one of the local ringers) with handbells and other music.

On Sunday morning the party were at St. James' Church at 9.45, the bells having been placed at their disposal till 11 o'clock. Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Treble Bob and Double Norwich were the methods. After service the visitors rang at St. George's, Wilton, a very light peal of six, and at 3.50 started on their journey home, arriving in Reading at 9.15, after one of the best outings the society had ever had. The members comprising the party were Messrs. J. Swain, F. Hoggood, A. Watmore, J. Goodenough, W. A. Webb, A. Jeffery and C. Giles, and they desire to thank, through 'The Ringing World,' all those who assisted to make the trip such a success, especially Mr. J. Hunt, who looked after them 'like a father.'

## A NEW BELL BUFFER.

TRIAL AT WARFIELD.

Dedicated to St. Michael, and gay with the decorations of harvest festival, the season of Michaelmas was kept up at Warfield Parish Church by the pealing of the pretty octave of bells at this remote Berkshire parish on Saturday afternoon and evening of Sept. 30th. By kind invitation of the Vicar (the Rev. Clifford Toogood, M.A.), tea was provided at the Brownlow Hall, some 15 ringers sharing the joys of the teacup, a smoke and a chat.—Mr. A. J. Harman (hon. secretary of the East Berks Branch of the Oxon Diocesan Guild) thanked the Vicar for his reception and presence in the chair, also for his thoughtfulness in asking the ringers to come and hear the effect of a set of 'bell buffers' recently fitted to the clappers. Ringers in the district always enjoyed coming to Warfield, and he hoped local men would come in to the Windsor practices whenever possible; they would be very welcome. The introduction of this aid to the vibration of the bells was due to a holiday at Ashbourne, Derbyshire, spent this summer by the Vicar, who was much impressed by the tone of the peal of bells there, and the enthusiasm of Mr. R. E. Sadler in advocating this buffer, which is made by a firm claiming to be the originators of the bell buffer at a local works and duly patented.

The tower was visited after tea, and further touches in the standard methods rung till 9 p.m., conducted by Messrs. Welling, Harman and Henley.—Members present included Messrs. Farr, Smith, Knight, Copley, W. W. Cross, Crofts, Fussell, Bateman, Harman, Henley, Welling, a few of his boy scout team, Mr. Higgs, J. Brant, junr., and several of the local ringers.

The first touch of the afternoon was a well-struck 600 of Grandsire Triples by the Windsor Parish Church company, conducted by A. J. Harman. Those not ringing wandered round the fields picking blackberries and listening to the added hum of what is a really full-toned octave by Mears and Stainbank (without any aids to resonance), the tenor being 13½ cwt. only. It ought to be mentioned that when the tower was restored the windows opening on all four sides of the bell loft were filled up with stone and cement (excepting the tracery of the Gothic heads), so that too much confusion of sound exists in the ringing room, however pleasant the result to those who hear the bells outside.

In the circular describing this invention the statement:—'The bell buffer itself in no way corresponds with any previous invention under the name of "Clapper Buffer," although its duties are the same'—appears to need some explanation. This is the fourth invention during the past 40 years to be placed before the Exercise, and in all probability it will meet with the fate of similar previous inventions. At Mr. Fussell's suggestion a touch was rung with the buffers taken off Nos. 2, 3, 5 and 7 bells, leaving 1, 4, 6, 8 (as chords), with the buffers fitted, and this was found to be an improvement to the sound in the ringing room.

W. H. F.

## ACTON RINGERS IN BUCKS.

A most enjoyable time was spent in Bucks by the ringers of St. Mary's Parish Church, Acton, on the occasion of their annual outing. They left Ealing Broadway Station on Saturday, Sept. 16th, by the 2.35 train for Denham, where a pleasant stroll across the fields to the village, with its very ancient buildings—much admired by all—brought them to the Parish Church of St. Mary's. The tower contains a fine toned heavy peal of eight, rung from the ground floor, and the bells were soon pealing forth in Grandsire Triples, the 'go' being so bad that nothing higher was attempted. After 'falling' the bells in peal, train was taken to Beaconsfield, another old-world town, where Mr. Buckland was waiting for the party. Soon this glorious peal—recently rehung—was swinging to the familiar strains of Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Kent Treble Bob Major. The company then adjourned to the Saracen's Head, where a real ringers' tea was awaiting them, and full justice was done. Time pressing, a move was made to the station for the 7.6 train to High Wycombe. Here was the 'star turn' for the lofty and spacious tower of the Parish Church of All Saints contains a magnificent peal of twelve bells, and some of the visitors had not previously rung upon this number.

The party was met at the church door by Mr. Ralph Coles and Mr. Goodchild, and strengthened later by Mr. Wilkins, who extended to them a welcome. The bells were raised in peal, and several courses of Grandsire Caters, Stedman Caters and Kent Treble Bob Royal were accomplished. All gathered in the churchyard just before 9 p.m. to hear the chimes which play mechanically a hymn on Sundays, and a secular piece on week-days, at 12 noon, 3 p.m., 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Strange to say, the tune was 'Home, sweet Home,' so taking the hint, the party made for 9.30 train, after a glorious day's enjoyment. The best thanks of the society are tendered to those who met them, and to the incumbents for their kind permission to ring.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Sunday, October 15th, for evening service, 168 and 336 Stedman Triples: R. Edwards 1, R. Martin 2, J. Hughes 3, H. T. Hughes 4, E. Jones 5, W. B. Kynaston 6, R. T. Evans (conductor) 7, G. Beaton 8.

**ALDERSHOT.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for evensong, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: C.Q.M.S. G. Gilbert (conductor) 1, Miss F. E. Wyman 2, Miss A. Fisher 3, Miss B. M. Mills 4, F. Croucher 5, Miss H. F. Mills 6, A. Croucher 7, G. Peto 8. First quarter by Miss Wyman, who hails from Woking; remainder belong to the local band.

**BERKELEY, GLOS.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, at St. Mary's Church, for harvest festival, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: G. Thompson (first quarter-peal) 1, J. H. Fussell 2, F. G. Cooper 3, F. L. King 4, W. A. Lewis 5, A. Burcombe 6, H. W. Fussell (composer and conductor) 7, John Hancock 8.

**SWAINSWICK, BATH.**—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, for harvest festival, for morning service, 350 of Bob Minor: H. Foghill 1, A. Bush 2, W. Clark 3, Miss A. E. Watson 4, E. Bath 5, S. White 6.—For evensong, 1,260 Doubles, being four six-scores of Bob Doubles, 6½ of Grandsire: A. Clark 1, S. White 2, W. Clark 3, Miss A. E. Watson 4, E. Bath 5, W. Babbage 6. Both conducted by S. White.

**TEYNHAM, KENT.**—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, on the occasion of the harvest festival, a date touch of Minor (1,922 changes), being 720 each of College Single and Oxford Bob, and 482 of Plain Bob (in 1hr.): V. Page 1, W. Laker 2, E. Gambell 3, C. Tumber 4, E. Hodges 5, W. Nye (conductor) 6.

**ROYSTON, HERTS.**—On Sunday morning, Oct. 1st, for harvest festival, 336 Stedman Triples: S. Reed 1, J. W. Ward 2, C. S. Gouldthorpe 3, L. E. Pistow 4, S. E. Roberts 5, R. G. King 6, A. F. James (conductor) 7, F. Harper 8; and 224 Double Norwich: J. W. Ward 1, L. E. Pistow 2, W. L. Darlow 3, C. S. Gouldthorpe 4, S. E. Roberts 5, F. Harper 6, A. F. James (conductor) 7, R. G. King 8. Messrs. James and Pistow hail from Saffron Walden.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260), in 43 mins.: W. B. Manning 1, S. Reed 2, J. W. Ward 3, C. S. Gouldthorpe 4, R. G. King 5, S. E. Roberts (conductor) 6, F. Harper 7, A. Roberts 8.

**WOODFORD, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, on the occasion of the harvest festival, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor: C. R. Morss, junr., 1, H. T. Scarlett 2, E. Plummer 3, L. Hoff 4, E. Wightman 5, C. R. Morss (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: \*L. Hoff 1, E. Wightman 2, E. Plummer 3, W. Shute 4, G. Carter 5, C. R. Morss (conductor) 6.—Also 720 Bob Minor: C. R. Morss, junr., 1, W. Shute 2, E. Plummer 3, F. Hayes 4, E. Wightman (conductor) 5, C. R. Morss 6. \* First 720 Treble Bob.

**LEICESTER.**—At St. Margaret's, on Oct. 1st, for harvest festival, morning service, 352 Grandsire Cinquses: G. S. Morris 1, F. Sharman 2, C. Cattell 3, Miss H. Willson 4, A. Ballard 5, G. L. Jacques (Mansfield, Notts), 6, J. Morris 7, H. Peach 8, A. Cattell 9, H. Lock 10, E. Morris (conductor) 11, Mr. Shepherd (Swindon, Wilts) 12.—Also a course of Stedman Caters, with W. Willson (St. John's, Leicester) and F. G. Viles (Cardiff).—For evening service, 506 Grandsire Cinquses: T. Bent 1, F. Sharman 2, J. H. Swinfield (Burton-on-Trent) 3, W. Whitehead 4, A. Ballard 5, M. Swinfield (Burton) 6, E. L. Smith 7, H. Peach 8, F. G. Viles (Cardiff) 9, H. Lock 10, E. Morris (conductor) 11, J. Vernon 12.—After evening service, a course of Grandsire Cinquses, with H. Poole and R. F. Elkington.

**BISHOPSTOKE, HANTS.**—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, on the occasion of the harvest festival, for evensong, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: \*L. Stedman 1, W. G. Edwards 2, C. H. Giles 3, A. H. Wilson 4, E. Ayliffe 5, G. Grant 6, W. T. Tucker (conductor) 7, \*W. Trill 8. \* First quarter-peal.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—On Sunday, October 1st, for morning service, 384 Superlative Surprise Major: A. Lawrence 1, A. W. Bond 2, R. W. Hyner 3, W. G. Lancaster 4, E. Bishop 5, H. A. Hearl 6, S. Palmer 7, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 8.

**WIGSTON MAGNA.**—At All Saints' Church, for evening service, Oct. 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: W. Brewin 1, G. Deacon 2, A. Briers 3, A. Roe 4, W. H. Hummerstone (conductor) 5, F. W. Lloyd 6, J. Carter 7, A. Pacey 8. First quarter-peal by 2, 6, 8. First quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples 7. First quarter-peal by the local band after having the bells recast and rebung by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough.

**WRANGLE.**—Lincoln Diocesan Guild.—For evensong and harvest festival, on Sunday, Oct. 1st, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: H. Laking 1, S. Woods 2, W. Laking, junr., 3, A. Pickwell 4, W. Houghton 5, F. Hilton (conductor) 6.

**ALDERSHOT.**—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, for evening service, 480 Oxford Treble Bob Major: C.Q.M.S. G. Gilbert, R.E. (conductor) 1, Miss A. Fisher 2, Miss B. M. Mills 3, Miss H. F. Mills 4, Fred Croucher 5, Alb. J. Croucher 6, William Denyer 7, Henry Tinsey 8. H. Tinsey from Seale, remainder local.

**FWHURST, SURREY.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 1st, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Minor, being 720 Oxford Single Bob and 540 of Plain Bob: J. Rose 1, A. J. Bull 2, W. Denyer 3, W. Tidy 4, H. Tidy 5, T. W. Denyer (conductor) 6. This is the first quarter-

peal in two methods by the ringers of the 1st, 3rd and 5th. Also 720 Bob Minor, for morning service: J. Rose 1, F. Francis (conductor) 2, W. Denyer 3, W. Tidy 4, A. J. Bull 5, H. Tidy 6.

**BROMLEY, KENT.**—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, at the Parish Church, on the occasion of the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Skinner 1, G. F. James 2, G. Durling 3, T. J. Knight 4, E. Mounter 5, A. James 6, G. Huxley (conductor) 7, F. F. Scott 8.

**BOOTLE.**—At Christ Church, on Sunday, Oct. 1st, for evening service, in 50 mins., a quarter-peal of Minor (1,260 changes), being 720 Oxford Single and 540 Plain Bob: R. Horner 1, H. Currie 2, J. McKee 3, A. Gorman 4, A. Jackson 5, E. F. Bennet (conductor) 6. Rung with bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Miss Annie Roberts, for 40 years headmistress of the Parish Schools.

**WILLENHALL.**—Before Divine service, at St. Giles' Church, on Sunday morning, Oct. 1st, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 48 mins., rung to celebrate the golden wedding of an old Willenhall ringer, Mr. W. Pardoe, who took part: H. Pountney 1, I. Evans 2, E. Hortin 3, H. Coley 4, W. Pardoe 5, J. T. Davies 6, C. Wallater 7, A. E. Read 8.—After Divine service, on Sunday morning, Sept. 17th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 44 mins., on the occasion of the annual visit of 'D' Company, 6th South Staffs Regt., Territorials: D. Appleby 1, I. Evans 2, H. Coley 3, H. Ludford 4, J. T. Davies 5, C. Wallater 6, E. Hortin (conductor) 7, S. Mills 8.

**BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday evening, Oct. 1st, for harvest thanksgiving service, in 48 mins., 1,344 Kent Treble Bob Major: T. Adams 1, W. Denman 2, R. Wood 3, P. Charman 4, J. Burdfield 5, W. Short 6, A. Feist 7, W. Stanford (conductor) 8.

**KIDLINGTON, OXON.**—For harvest festival evensong, on Sunday, Sept. 24th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): W. Finch 1, T. Payne 2, W. H. B. Wilkins 3, J. Franklin 4, F. Clinkard 5, W. Harris 6, W. F. Judge (conductor) 7, W. Thorne 8.

**STAFFORD.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 10th, in 45 minutes, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. G. Curtis 1, W. H. Jones 2, M. Swinfield (Burton) 3, G. Booth 4, J. Warrilow 5, F. V. Haggis 6, J. J. Taylor (conductor) 7, Z. Baker 8.

**BARLEY, HERTS.**—On Sunday, Sept. 24th, for morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: F. Hayes 1, W. Sermons 2, W. Tack 3, W. Mansfield 4, A. Howard 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: F. Hayes 1, W. Mansfield 2, W. Tack 3, H. Howard 4, W. Sermons 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, Oct. 1st, for morning service, 720 Oxford Bob Minor: F. Hayes 1, H. Howard 2, W. Mansfield 3, W. Tack 4, A. Howard 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. Hayes 1, H. Howard 2, W. Tack 3, W. Mansfield 4, W. Sermons 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.

**ACTION.**—At St. Mary's Church, for harvest festival services, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Major, lost in the last course: Robt. Holloway 1, G. A. Fardon 2, F. Goodfellow 3, Chailis Winney 4, R. Fardon 5, L. Page 6, G. Kilby 7, J. A. Trollope (conductor) 8.—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: M. England 1, S. D. Breeze 2, C. Brown 3, W. Lawrence 4, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 5, C. Edwards 6, Robt. Fardon 7, J. W. Fruin 8.—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. Easton 1, S. D. Breeze 2, C. Brown 3, H. Wincote 4, E. W. Coulson 5, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 6, A. Harding 7, A. D. Smith 8.

**BARNES.**—At St. Mary's Church, for harvest thanksgiving, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: J. Willmott 1, H. Barrett 2, W. Stevens 3, M. Jacobs 4, H. Cook 5, R. Mackrill 6, C. Hunt (conductor) 7, P. Stratton 8.—For evening service, a quarter-peal in the same method, in 43 mins.: J. Willmott 1, H. Barrett 2, W. Stevens 3, M. Jacobs 4, R. Mackrill 5, H. Cook 6, C. Hunt (conductor) 7, J. Newman 8.

## CERTIFICATES OF QUALIFICATION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—With reference to the letter under the above heading, I may say that some months ago the Midland Counties Association appointed a sub-committee to consider whether it was possible or desirable to inaugurate a system for the granting of certificates of merit for progress in method ringing. I think the report of this sub-committee will be of very considerable interest to ringers generally, and it is encouraging to find the idea is being considered in other centres.—Yours faithfully, A. C. WRIGHT.

Hon. Sec.

## THE LATE MR. TOM WALLIS.

Mr. J. W. Steddy, Edenbridge, Kent, acknowledges with thanks the following donations towards the fund in aid of the widow and daughter of the late Mr. T. Wallis, who are left totally unprovided for: Mrs. C. H. Hattersley, Sheffield, 5s.; Edenbridge ringers, £2; district meeting at Westerham, £2; Kent County Benevolent Fund, £3. As the fund will be closed early in November, will intending subscribers kindly forward same early to J. W. Steddy, High Street, Edenbridge, Kent?

## NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL GUILD IN YORKSHIRE. A PLEASANT OUTING.

It was not a difficult matter for the members of the Newcastle Cathedral Guild to settle the venue of their annual outing this year, as it was unanimously agreed to attend the first annual commemoration dinner to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowden and the past officers of the Yorkshire Association, to be held at Leeds.

Accordingly, nine members of the Guild met in Central Station, Newcastle, on the morning of Saturday, Sept. 23rd. The journey through to Leeds passed very quickly, various ancient arts and practices being indulged in, with profit to 'the novice.'

The party were met at Leeds by their cheery friend, Mr. P. J. Johnson, hon. secretary of the Yorkshire Association, who skilfully guided the visitors through the intricacies of the Leeds stations, and saw them safely into the Bradford train.

It was the intention to attempt a peal on the bells of Bradford Cathedral, but in this the visitors were disappointed, owing to the death of the wife of the Bishop of Bradford. Mr. James Cotterill, Mr. Broadley, and others, saw that the Newcastle party came to no harm, however, for they safely conducted them to various homely establishments, where their liquid and solid requirements were amply satisfied. They had also, thoughtfully, arranged for the use of the fine peal of eight bells at Northowram. A very good attempt at a peal of Double Norwich unfortunately came to grief, after about 2½ hours' ringing.

A rush back to Leeds, almost late for the dinner, was made. A very enjoyable evening was spent, and many old acquaintanceships were renewed, including that of Mr. Jas. R. Kemp, one of the Guild's own members.

Sunday was a busy day for all, ringing at Leeds Parish Church in the morning for service; visits to Kirkstall Abbey and the 'Vesper Gate,' occupied the time before dinner. Roundhay Park, with 'Jimmy' as guide, was the afternoon enjoyment.

After tea, parties were made for a visit to St. Michael's, Headingley, and to St. Chad's at Hunslet.

'The Novice' and 'Dick,' with the expert 'W.H.B.' were delighted with the visit to Headingley, and to have the privilege of meeting John Whitaker, and the other gentlemen of the band there. The other party also had an excellent time at Hunslet, and the visitors would here like to thank their friend of old, Mr. Jimmy Kemp, and Mrs. Emmerson, for the kindly and thoughtful way in which they provided for the wants of the inner-man during the evening, an action which was very much appreciated.

The tit-bit came on Monday. A visit to Birstall, arranged by Mr. Percy J. Johnson and Mr. Jas. Kemp, enabled the visitors to ring a peal of Double Norwich at this fine old church. The party were delighted with these bells, and thoroughly enjoyed the ringing. They desire to thank the Vicar for so promptly and kindly allowing the use of the bells at such short notice. The Guild wish to place on record the kindness with which they were received on all hands—at Leeds Parish Church, where they were made very welcome indeed; the trouble the Bradford friends took in view of their disappointment at the Cathedral, and also the special care they exercised over 'the Novice' at Northowram, while the rest of the band were peal ringing. Their thanks are also due to Mr. Albert Jagger and his comrades at Northowram; Mr. Percy J. Johnson and 'Jimmy,' who took them entirely in hand during the week-end, and made many thoughtful arrangements for their welfare.

## A GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION.

An interesting event occurred at Deane on Thursday, Sept. 21st. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gregory on that day attained the 50th anniversary of their wedding, and in honour of the occasion a peal of Stedman Triples was attempted. This, unfortunately, came to grief owing to a change course, after 2 hours' ringing. However, another attempt was made on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, which also failed owing to the 6th rope breaking in the 5th course from the end, to the great disappointment of the band.

After this the ringers and their wives adjourned to the Stag's Head to partake of the hospitality of the happy couple, a first-class tea having been provided by Mrs. Dickenson. This was followed by a 'sing-song,' songs being sung by Messrs. E. Catsforth, T. Barlow, and T. Barlow, junr., and a recitation given by Mrs. Gregory. Mr. R. Williams contributed a concertina solo, and Mr. T. Barlow, junr., acted as accompanist.

Whilst this was in progress another attempt was arranged for Monday, Sept. 25th, which was happily successful. The best thanks of the party were given to Mr. and Mrs. Gregory for their hospitality, coupled with the hope that they would see many more years of married life, and that Mr. Gregory would ring many more peals.

It is not often that a man rings in his golden wedding peal, as Mr. Gregory did, and the band would be pleased to receive information as to similar occurrences.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1637).—The 285th Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 11th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 7/6 each, may be obtained from any of the following committee: Messrs. J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, P. E. Clark, W. T. Cockerill, G. R. Fardon, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, R. T. Hibbert, E. Horrex, C. H. Horton, A. Howell, A. A. Hughes, W. J. Kemp, H. Langdon, A. R. Macdonald, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, A. Walker, H. J. Walton, C. F. Winney and E. A. Young.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

S. MARY'S, TAUNTON.—The two new trebles, to complete the peal of 12, will be dedicated by the Rev. C. C. Parker, Master of the Bath and Wells Association, at 3 p.m. on Oct. 21st. The St. Mary's band will ring for the actual dedication. At the conclusion of the service twelve members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association will ring for an hour. The bells will then be available for other ringers up to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome. St. James' (8) and Wilton (6) will be available after tea, which is being provided through the generosity of the Vicar, Preb. Corfield, in the Schoolroom, at 4.45.—Major J. R. F. Lightowlers, 'Belle Vue,' Wellington Road, Taunton.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—By kind permission of the Rev. A. J. Walker, the Quarterly meeting will be held at Malton St. Leonard's Church on Saturday, Oct. 21st. The bells (8) will be available from 12 o'clock. Service in the church at 3.45. Tea at Clark's Café, Yorkersgate, at 4.30, to be followed by a business meeting in the Church Hall.—A. L. Henderson, Mayfield, Pickering.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Brentwood on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 5 o'clock. Arrangements for tea (1/- each) can be made for all who let me know by the 17th inst. South Weald (6) will also be available. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Theobald, Hon. District Sec., 49, Portway, West Ham, E.15.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—The Quarterly meeting of the Guild will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service in church at 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow. Chilvers Coton tower will also be open during the evening if required.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement's, Oct. 30th; Bishopsgate, Oct. 23rd. Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Ann's, South Tottenham, on Monday, Oct. 23rd. Bells available from 7 to 9 o'clock. All welcome.—C. G. Coles, Hon. Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Paul's Cathedral on Oct. 31st; St. Magnus, Lower Thames St., on the 26th. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next 8-bell contest will be held at Elland on Saturday, Oct. 28th. The draw will take place at the Mexborough Arms 2.45 prompt. Tea (about 1/6) will be provided for those who notify W. Frith, 5, Sufton Street, Birkby Huddersfield, on Saturday, Oct. 21st.

**ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting for the Archdeaconry of Suffolk will be held at Ufford on Oct. 28th at 4 p.m. Bells available all day. Tea will be provided at 4.30 for all members sending their names by Oct. 23rd to Mrs. Drake, Ufford Rectory, near Woodbridge, or to Charles Mee, Archd. Sec., Sproughton, Ipswich.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The Annual meeting of this District will be held at St. Mary's, Woolwich, S.E., on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service and address by the Rev. A. N. Pickering (Rector) at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow in the Parish Room. Will all who intend to be at the tea, which is being provided by the Rector, please send their names to me not later than Tuesday, Oct. 24th?—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.**—The next Quarterly meeting of the above will be held at St. Elizabeth's, Reddish, on Oct. 28th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 7.—Sam Booth, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Oct. 28th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 5 to 8 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Acton (by permission of the Vicar) on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Tower open for ringing at 3.20. Service at 5.30. Tea arranged for 6 p.m. at 1/-. Should be glad if those requiring tea would let me know by the 26th, and oblige.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Vale of White Horse Branch.—Meeting at Faringdon on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Tea 4.30. Service 5.30. Ringing before tea and after service. Friends cordially invited.—Hon. Sec., Vicarage, Faringdon.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A combined practice meeting of the District will be held at West Malling on Saturday, Oct. 28th, commencing about 6 o'clock. All members of the District are invited to attend this meeting.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. District Sec.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The 45th Annual meeting will be held in Newcastle on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Committee meeting in the Upper Vestry of the Cathedral at noon. Service in the Cathedral at 1 o'clock. Dinner, 2/- to members, 3/6 to non-members, at The Collingwood Restaurant at 2 p.m.; general meeting following. Bells available: Cathedral (12), All Saints', Gosforth (10), St. Stephen's (8), St. John's (8), All Saints', Newcastle (8), St. George's (8), St. Mary's, Gateshead (8) and Benwell (6). Those intending to be present at dinner please notify me not later than Oct. 25th.—E. Ferry, Hon. Sec., 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be at Norton Fitzwarren on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells 2.30 to 8 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting at the Village Club at 5.15. Will those requiring tea send me notice by Tuesday, Oct. 24th? I should be glad to receive outstanding subscriptions for 1922 at this meeting.—P. Merson, Local Sec., Bishop's Hull.

**HERTS ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Rickmansworth on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Arrangements will be made for tea.—H. Eden, Hon. Sec. Watford District, 11, Pinner Road, Watford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. John's, Blackpool, on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30; election of secretary.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 3, Rutland Gate, Blackpool.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Those requiring tea please advise me not later than Tuesday, Oct. 24th.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dist. Sec., 47, Beddington Grove, Wallington.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Rowberrow, near Winscombe, on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Service 5 o'clock; tea and meeting after. Bells (6) afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, 35, Oxford Street, Burnham-on-Sea.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Established 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at the Cathedral (St. Philip's) on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells (10) available from 4 o'clock. Business meeting in the belfry at 5.30.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Stevenage on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells ready 3.30. Service in the church at 4.30.—F. R. Bacon, Hon. District Sec., 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Guilsborough District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Welford on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells available at 2.30. Usual arrangements. Those requiring tea please notify me by Oct. 25th.—W. Bott, District Sec., Guilsborough.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Newark on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea, 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.



**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting of the Bristol branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association of Change Ringers will be held at Henbury on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 5: tea to follow. Please notify by Oct. 23rd.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Hatfield (Stainforth G.C. Station), on Oct. 28th. Bells (8) ready early. Tea only provided for those who notify me before the 24th inst.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Gloucester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mary-de-Lode, Gloucester, on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service, 4.30. Short farewell address by Capt. Bennett, C.A. Tea at 5.—Charles H. Austin, Branch Hon. Sec., 24, Victoria Street, Gloucester.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Not St. Michael's, Blackburn, as was arranged. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Rowde on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.40. Tea at 5. Short business meeting directly after tea. Also the tower of Bromham (6 bells) open for ringing, 6 p.m.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5. Tea, at the usual charge, at 5.30, followed by business meeting. A good attendance is desired. Members, whose subscriptions for 1922 are outstanding, are requested to forward same to me early.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. J. B. Tyler has removed from Bristol to 125, Mayola Road, Lower Clapton, London, N.E.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

SET OF 51 HANDBELLS, Chromatic Scale, F.26 to G.04, in good condition.—Price £20.—Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Stockport.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Situation required as an **ELECTRICIAN**, good references. Standard methods (8).—D. Hill Brown, 'Sunny Bank,' Gilbert Road, Swanage, Dorset.

#### W. W. GIFFORD MEMORIAL FUND.

Amount previously acknowledged, £20 3s. 6d.: Devizes Branch, (2nd donation), 10s.; Rev. A. Phillips, £1; Mr. W. Cave (Bristol), 2s. 6d.; total to date, £21 16s. This fund will be closed at the end of October. Contributions should be sent to Mr. L. Harris, Britford, Salisbury, or Mr. F. W. Romaine, 41, Green Cross Street, Salisbury, joint hon. secretaries.

#### MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

**ECCELESTON, CHESHIRE.**—For practice, on Tuesday, Sept. 5th, 720 Double Court Bob Minor, in 27 mins.: G. R. Jones 1, J. Hayes 2, Jas. Swindley 3, S. Jones, junr., 4, J. W. Clarke 5, Jas. Morgan (conductor) 6, A. Harrison 7. First 720 in the method on the bells.

**FINCHLEY, MIDDLESEX.**—On Saturday, Sept. 16th, two 720's of College Singles and Plain Bob and 720 Oxford Bob Minor: F. Cherrett 1, F. Tubb 2, E. Tubb 3, P. Blake 4, B. Tubb 5, F. Barker (conductor) 6. The above was rung in an unsuccessful attempt for a 5,040, which came to grief after 2 hours' ringing.

**OATLANDS PARK, SURREY.**—Winchester Diocesan Guild.—On Monday, Sept. 25th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: Miss L. J. Barnes 1, A. Woodrow 2, G. Barnett 3, W. A. Woodrow 4, A. J. Barnes 5, W. Shepherd (conductor) 6, E. J. Presting 7, G. Berry 8. First quarter-peal by the ringers of the treble, 3rd, 5th and tenor.

**WHITTLESEA, CAMBS.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Saturday, Sept. 16th, an attempt for a peal of Bob Major came to grief, after ringing 2 hrs. 35 mins., in the 35th course: V. Butler 1, F. Dainty 2, T. Vaughan 3, S. Wright 4, W. Cross 5, H. Beechey 6, F. Cooke 7, C. T. F. Brice (conductor), of Pulham St. Mary's, 8.

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

*Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.*

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
COVENTRY.



**CHURCH BELLS.**

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells.—Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowden Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.  
GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.  
STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.  
STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.  
TREBLE BOB, I, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..	4	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

**JOHN PRITCHARD,**

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

in Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 8/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 606. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27th, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

### CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### THE LESSON OF TAUNTON.

Slowly, but surely, the number of rings of twelve bells are increasing, and the latest addition—Taunton, opened last Saturday—is not only a welcome one, but stands out as a striking example of a triumph of constructional engineering in connection with modern bell hanging. St. Mary's Church possesses a very fine tower, but the movement of the steeple when the old peal of ten was ringing was such as to influence the Advisory Board of the Diocese to recommend refusal of the application to increase the peal to twelve, and thus the promoters of the scheme met with a serious obstacle when the Chancellor refused the faculty. Calling in an expert architect and practised ringer in Mr. G. H. Phillott, the Committee obtained a professional opinion which eventually convinced the Chancellor that there would be no risk to the fabric if the work was placed in the hands of competent bell-bangers; and Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, whose contract was accepted for the work, have provided a splendid illustration of how the present-day bell-hanger can actually, in carrying out an augmentation, strengthen a tower instead of weakening it. The cross-braced girder foundation anchored into the walls and carrying the bell frame has given the tall tower a stability which it never had in the past, and when objections are raised in other places to increasing the number of bells on account of a supposed risk to the tower, Taunton can be pointed to as a classical example of what can be done when a firm of experience and competence is called in.

As to the bells themselves, they are of a useful weight, and should thus be a great centre of progressive work in that part of the country. Heavy peals of twelve are often a handicap to beginners upon this number on account of the additional difficulties of ropesight caused by the big bells having to be pulled off in changes in front of some of the little ones they are striking over, but on a peal with a tenor just under 30 cwt., this disadvantage is much minimised. Hence Taunton should prove an ideal place—when management of the seventy-five feet draught has been secured—for Somerset ringers to make their initial acquaintance with twelve-bell ringing. We hope the new peal will afford opportunities for many West-Country ringers, as well as the Taunton men, to become proficient upon twelve, and that it will give a really good fillip to change-ringing in Somerset. There is room in that county for a much wider extension of change ringing, particularly in the higher methods, and with the Taunton men entering upon their new possession with increased zest, it is hoped an even greater activity than now prevails may be manifest in other towers in that area.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-BOW, CHEAPSIDE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 53 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 1	...Treble	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2		GEORGE B. LOCAS ... .. 8
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 3		THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 9
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 4		REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 10
JOHN ARMSTRONG ... .. 5		WILLIAM PYE ... .. 11
WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... .. 6		JAMES GEORGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

Rung on the anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, CHELSEA,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM H. WOOD ... .. 1	...Treble	RALPH MACKRILL ... .. 6
*CHARLES F. MITCHELL ... 2		HENRY S. ELLIS ... .. 7
GEORGE A. CARD ... .. 3		WILLIAM ESSERY ... .. 8
ERNEST A. REEVE ... .. 4		HARRY MANCE ... .. 9
WILLIAM J. DEAN ... .. 5		WILLIAM J. HEWSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN BRADLEY. Conducted by HARRY MANCE.

\* First peal in the method.

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... 1	...Treble	*CHARLES WINNER ... .. 6
*HERBERT AUDSLEY ... .. 2		WILLIAM DUDLEY ... .. 7
*CHARLES P. CHALK ... .. 3		WILLIAM H. JUDD ... .. 8
HENRY T. WILSON ... .. 4		*CLR.-SGT. JAMES BENNETT 9
*FREDERICK M. MITCHELL 5		GEORGE E. WILSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

\* First peal of Bob Royal. Rung on the 117th anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT & THE DONCASTER DISTRICT SOCIETIES.)

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5105 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24½ cwt.

WILLIAM LAMBERT ... .. 1	...Treble	GEORGE LEWIS ... .. 6
JOHN HOLMAN ... .. 2		ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 7
*MISS KATHLEEN JACKSON... 3		*A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... 8
SIDNEY F. PALMER ... .. 4		WALTER ALLWOOD ... .. 9
JOHN THORPE ... .. 5		*HAROLD WALKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEORGE LEWIS.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal in the method.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS AND  
THE ST. MARY ABBOT'S GUILD, KENSINGTON.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY ABBOT,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 32 cwt.

ARTHUR CUTMORE ... .. 1	...Treble	†ROBERT HOLLOWAY ... .. 6
WILLIAM E. GARRARD ... 2		ARTHUR W. DAVIS ... .. 7
*REV. R. F. R. ROUGH ... 3		ALBERT V. SELBY ... .. 8
CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... 4		HENRY G. MILES ... .. 9
WILLIAM E. JUDD ... .. 5		PERCY E. CLARK ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. G. MILES. Conducted by W. E. GARRARD.

\* First peal in the method, also first peal of Caters. † First peal of Stedman Caters.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

W. A. COX ... .. Treble	WM. HOLLIFIELD... .. 5
T. EAST, SEN. ... .. 2	G. CAUDWELL ... .. 6
MRS. A. E. LOCKE ... .. 3	J. S. WAPPER ... .. 7
*F. JUGGINS ... .. 4	W. GOODENOUGH... .. Tenor

Conducted by T. EAST, SEN.

\* First peal.

FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17½ cwt.

WILLIAM RICHES... .. Treble	CHARLES CUTTING ... .. 5
ROBERT RICHES ... .. 2	ERNEST WHITING... .. 6
HERBERT H. PIERCY ... .. 3	WALTER RICHES ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... .. 4	ALBERT RICHES ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE H. CROSS. Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

SANDHURST, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

ERNEST E. DAVIS ... .. Treble	THOMAS BALDWIN ... .. 5
WILLIAM HARRIS... .. 2	JOHN AUSTIN... .. 6
JESSE GILLET ... .. 3	GEORGE CONDICK... .. 7
CHARLES H. AUSTIN ... .. 4	ALBERT MARTIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to William Harris, also in honour  
of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. Williams, of Newent.

ST. BRIAVEL'S, GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM W. COATES ... Treble	WILLIAM BISHOP ... .. 5
JOHN J. BRVAN ... .. 2	ERNEST MATTHEWS ... .. 6
*WILLIAM T. POSTON... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON... .. 7
JAMES BISHOP ... .. 4	GEORGE WILKS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

\* First peal of Triples on an 'inside' bell.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

*WILLIAM ESSERY ... .. Treble	*ERNEST A. REEVE ... .. 5
†WILLIAM H. WOOD ... .. 2	*RALPH MACKRILL ... .. 6
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 3	AMOS W. CLARK ... .. 7
*ALFRED J. H. NEWMAN ... .. 4	*HARRY MANCE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by HARRY MANCE.

\* First peal in the method. † First in the method away from treble.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 15, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM J. GROOM ... .. Treble	WALTER RUFFLES ... .. 5
JAMES DURRANT ... .. 2	*HARRY R. ROPER ... .. 6
GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3	T. WILLIAM LAST ... .. 7
GEORGE ABLITT ... .. 4	ERNEST E. LANHAM ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. HOPGOOD.

Conducted by T. W. LAST.

\* First peal in the method, also first peal on an 'inside' bell.

BUXTED, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

DAVIES' VARIATION.

Tenor 15 cwt.

FRANK BENNETT ... .. Treble	ROBERT J. DAWES ... .. 5
FREDERICK WHITE ... .. 2	ALFRED J. TURNER ... .. 6
OLIVER SIPPETTS... .. 3	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 7
STAFFORD H. GREEN ... .. 4	ALFRED J. PIERPOINT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

DARTFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Oct. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

WASHBROOK'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... Treble	JOHN WHEADON ... .. 5
HERBERT A. HOLDEN ... .. 2	SPENCER MARSHALL ... .. 6
CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT ... .. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. 7
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 4	HENRY SIMMONS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, JUN.

SPALDING, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(ELLOE DEANERIES BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Oct. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

CHARLES S. H. STILES ... Treble	RICHARD SMITH ... .. 5
ROBERT RICHARDSON ... .. 2	RICHARD MACKMAN ... .. 6
JOHN T. BROWN ... .. 3	*STEPHEN MADDISON ... .. 7
ARTHUR J. FARR ... .. 4	JOHN G. AMES ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by J. G. AMES.

\* First peal with an 'inside' bell.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Monday, Oct. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ISAAC EVANS... .. Treble	DAVID APPLEBY ... .. 5
BERT HORTON ... .. 2	WILLIAM FISHER... .. 6
WILLIAM E. WATHEN... .. 3	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... .. 7
EDWARD HORTON ... .. 4	JOHN T. DAVIES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER WALLATER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to W. E. Wathen.

STOKE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

VICAR'S.

Tenor 22 cwt.

*FRANK ROSE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM GRICE ... .. 5
GEORGE BLOOR ... .. 2	FREDERICK PAGE ... .. 6
ERNEST LONDON ... .. 3	CHARLES H. PAGE ... .. 7
THOMAS AUSTIN... .. 4	HAROLD AUSTIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK PAGE.

First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.



LONDON.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Oct. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, HOLBORN, E.C.,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5066 CHANGES;**

Tenor 28 cwt.

JAMES BULLOCK ... .. Treble	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... .. 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	GEORGE A. CARD ... .. 7
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 4	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

First peal upon this fine-toned ring since the 5th and tenor were recast and the whole rehung in a new iron frame. Rung as a birthday compliment to the Rector, the Rev. Edwin C. Bedford, the attempt on July 3rd not materialising.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Oct. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

JAMES HOULDSWORTH ... Treble	LAURENCE WILLIAMS ... 5
MISS M. HOULDSWORTH ... 2	JONATHAN WHEWELL ... 6
WILLIAM RILEY ... .. 3	† WILLIAM RILEY ... .. 7
* HARRY ANDERTON ... .. 4	JAMES SHAW ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. R. NEWTON. Conducted by JAMES SHAW.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method on a working bell. First peal in the method as conductor. The ringer of the 4th hails from Blackburn, 5th from Churchkirk, the rest belong to the local company. Arranged for Mr. H. Anderton.

LIVERPOOL.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

THOMAS W. GILMOUR ... Treble	GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 5
* JOHN WILKINSON ... .. 2	JAMES MARTIN ... .. 6
THOMAS HAMMOND, JUN. ... 3	EDWIN BREEZE ... .. 7
* GEORGE LUNT ... .. 4	EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

First peal in the method on the bells. \* First peal in the method. Rung on the eve of St. Luke's Day.

STANSTED, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM T. PRIOR ... .. Treble	THOMAS J. WATTS ... .. 5
FREDERICK BIRD ... .. 2	THOMAS JORDAN ... .. 6
GEORGE JORDAN ... .. 3	HENRY DEW ... .. 7
WALTER PRIOR ... .. 4	JOHN PRIOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HENRY DEW.

Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to John Prior.

HARPENDEN, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

ARTHUR DAY ... .. Treble	HORACE E. C. GOODENOUGH 5
* JOHN MALYON ... .. 2	THOMAS KENDALL ... .. 6
HARRY WOOD ... .. 3	BEN JARMAN ... .. 7
FREDERICK HUNT ... .. 4	LEWIS A. GOODENOUGH ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by L. A. GOODENOUGH.

\* First peal in the method. The ringer of the 2nd belongs to St. Stephen's, St. Albans, 5th to St. Albans Abbey, 3rd, 4th, 6th and tenor to Luton, treble and 7th to the local band.

COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
On Friday, Oct. 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

WILLIAM A. JEAVONS ... Treble	BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. 5
* ARTHUR BAKER ... .. 2	SAMUEL BAKER ... .. 6
WALTER GRINSELL ... .. 3	WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 7
THOMAS REYNOLDS ... .. 4	ARTHUR GRAINGER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM FISHER.

\* Proposed a member of the above society previous to starting peal, and who obliged at very short notice. Rung by Sunday service ringers and communicants with half-muffled bells to the memory of their beloved Vicar, the Rev. James Arthur Price, who passed to his eternal rest (suddenly) on Monday, Oct. 16th, and was interred in the parish churchyard on Friday afternoon, Oct. 20th.

BARTON LE CLEY, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

* RICHARD KENDALL ... Treble	† ALBERT FLEET ... .. 5
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 2	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 6
AUGUSTIN V. GOOD ... .. 3	* GEORGE W. HELEY ... .. 7
ALFRED KING ... .. 4	ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... Tenor

Composed by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. Conducted by A. E. SHARMAN.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal on eight bells. First peal of Double Norwich on the bells. Ringers of the 2nd, 5th and 6th belong to Husbome Crawley, 4th to Luton, 3rd, 7th and tenor to Dunstable, and treble to the local band.

ROSS, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt. 3 qr.

THOMAS BALDWIN ... Treble	* WILLIAM HEATH ... .. 5
JESSE GILLET ... .. 2	JOHN AUSTIN ... .. 6
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 3	JOHN CLARK ... .. 7
HERBERT BECKETT ... .. 4	* ALFRED POULTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

\* First peal of Stedman and elected members before starting. Rung as a golden wedding peal for the esteemed and genial leader of the Newent ringers, ex-Sergt. Williams. The ringers of the treble, 2nd, 4th, 5th and 6th are from Gloucester, 3rd from Newport, Mon., 5th from Cardiff, 7th and tenor are local ringers. Opportunity is now taken of expressing the thanks of all to the Vicar for kindly putting off the service until the peal was finished.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

GILBERT GUEST ... .. Treble	JOHN GOODMAN, JUN. ... 5
* HECTOR BIRD ... .. 2	HERBERT SHEPPARD ... 6
SAMUEL J. HUGHES ... .. 3	ABRAHAM GREENFIELD ... 7
FREDERICK EVANS ... .. 4	THOMAS JUSTICE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ABRAHAM GREENFIELD.

\* First peal in the method, and elected a member of this Guild previous to starting. This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Herbert Shepherd. It was arranged to ring Grandsire Caters, but, meeting one short, the above was rung instead. The ringer of the 2nd belongs to Old Hill, 3rd to Smethwick, 4th to Sedgley, tenor to Bilston; the others are members of the Dudley band.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

✓ GREAT REDUCTIONS. ✓

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

**BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, Oct. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,**

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN LYDDIARD ... .. Treble	ISAAC EMERY ... .. 5
JOHN J. LAMB ... .. 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... .. 7
GEORGE DURLING ... .. 4	HARRY DURLING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

Rung for the festival of St. Luke, also the 12th anniversary of the dedication of the spire and bells.

**LEISTON, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,**

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 26½ cwt. in E.

ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. Treble	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5
*ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. 2	JAMES G. ROMSEY ... .. 6
*GEORGE WILSON ... .. 3	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 7
*GEORGE BAILEY ... .. 4	*FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

\* First peal of New Cambridge. G. Bailey's 50th peal.

**LONG STANTON, CAMBS.**

**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,**

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.

ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... .. Treble	JOHN B. WOOLLEY ... .. 5
PERCY WEBB ... .. 2	REV. H. B. WOOLLEY ... .. 6
*WILLIAM H. HOLLIER ... .. 3	ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... .. 7
*JOHN T. NEWINGTON ... .. 4	A. GEORGE RIVERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. Conducted by E. G. HIBBINS.

This peal has only 4-5-6 in 6th's place, the 2nd never in 5-6.

\* First peal. Arranged for W. H. Hollier, who is staying in the district.

**THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,**

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Treble	JOHN E. CLARKE ... .. 5
† G. STEDMAN MORRIS ... .. 2	*ERNEST J. JELLEY ... .. 6
JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 3	ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. 7
FRED STANFORTH ... .. 4	CHARLES CATTELL ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method 'inside.' Messrs. J. and E. Morris have rung peals on each bell in this tower. The composition is rung for the first time. A birthday compliment to Harold J. Poole.

**WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.**

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD**

*On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,**

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

JAMES E. GROVES ... .. Treble	JOHN PERRY ... .. 5
WILLIAM A. COOPER ... .. 2	EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... .. 6
*HARRY M. HAWKSWOOD ... .. 3	HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 7
WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. LAWLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

Specially arranged and rung as a compliment to E. F. Mitchell on his 60th birthday. At the conclusion of the peal the band were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell to a sumptuous tea followed by items on the piano and handbells. Thanks are due to Mr. A. Fallon for getting things ready for the visitors. \* First peal of Stedman.

**CURDRIDGE, HAMPSHIRE.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,**

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt. in D.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	ALFRED MEARS ... .. 5
REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... .. 2	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. 6
*GILBERT BULL ... .. 3	ANDREW MEARS ... .. 7
PERCY W. CAVE ... .. 4	OWEN H. GILES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Stedman. Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. Robert Ryves (a member of the local band) and Miss Alice Amelia Osborne, of Curdridge. The band wish to tender their thanks to Mr. and Mrs. J. Ryves, sen., for their kind hospitality after the peal.

**NORTHOWRAM, YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,**

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb.

JAMES R. KEMP ... .. Treble	PERCY J. JOHNSON ... .. 5
*HARRY DAVISON ... .. 2	JOHN PALFRAMAN ... .. 6
ERNEST SIMPSON ... .. 3	JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 7
GEORGE ROBINSON ... .. 4	THOMAS B. KENDALL ... .. Tenor

Composed by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. Conducted by P. J. JOHNSON.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. Broadley, also in honour of the 14th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. G. Robinson.

**FEERING, ESSEX.**  
**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,**

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

JOHNSON'S VARIATION OF MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 18 cwt.

*JOHN NEWMAN ... .. Treble	*CYRIL FEASE ... .. 5
*ARTHUR EDWARDS ... .. 2	WILLIAM ELLIOTT ... .. 6
*PERCY TINSON ... .. 3	WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. 7
FRANK CLAYDON ... .. 4	ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

\* First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the 36th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. Elliott.

**LYMM, CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,*  
**AT THE PARISH CHURCH,**

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5036 CHANGES;**

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 30 cwt. in B flat.

HENRY E. COLLYER ... .. Treble	ERNEST PALMER ... .. 5
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 2	JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 6
JOHN E. BISBY ... .. 3	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 7
FRANCIS BISBY ... .. 4	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

First peal in the method on the bells. The band wish to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Harry Fairclough for obtaining, and the Rev. H. Maddox for granting, permission to attempt a peal on this grand ring.

**LOUGHBOROUGH.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**  
(ST. MARTIN'S SOCIETY, LEICESTER.)

*On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,*  
**AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,**

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 6½ cwt.

*EDWARD WHITEHEAD ... Treble	REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 5
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 2	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 6
JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 3	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 7
†WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 4	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by HARRY BROUGHTON.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Cambridge. 100th peal for M.C.A. by H. Broughton. Quickest peal on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to H. J. Poole, and for the anniversary of Trafalgar.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

TIMSBURY, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with 10 different callings. Tenor 12 cwt.

R. T. CLARK... .. Treble	WILLIAM YOUNG ... .. 4
F. BROWN ... .. 2	J. FEAR ... .. 5
WILFRED YOUNG ... .. 3	A. E. MOXHAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by R. T. CLARK.

First peal on the bells. First peal by all the band. First peal as conductor.

DUSTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Oct. 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*JACK DOVE ... .. Treble	FRED WILFORD ... .. 4
WALTER AUSTIN ... .. 2	JOSEPH DEAN ... .. 5
WILLIAM PARKER ... .. 3	TOM TEBBUTT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.

\* First peal of Minor.

REDMARLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Oct. 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

ANDREW LAYTON... .. Treble	CHRIS. BOWERS ... .. 4
DAVID HORNE ... .. 2	E. WILLIAM TURNER ... .. 5
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 3	GEORGE JORDAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. W. TURNER.

Rung for the harvest festival at the request of the Rector, who afterwards kindly entertained the band to tea.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Oct. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being four 720's of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 10½ cwt.

W. R. DRAGE ... .. Treble	† F. W. TURNER ... .. 4
* J. ANDREWS ... .. 2	J. BAILEY ... .. 5
† C. GEARY ... .. 3	E. C. CHASTY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. R. DRAGE.

\* First peal with a bob bell. † First peal of Minor. Rung, after meeting short for Treble Bob Major, with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to W. J. Hunting, late churchwarden.

PINCHBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Oct. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Double Court and six 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 21 cwt.

* WILLIAM H. SUTTON ... .. Treble	ARTHUR W. HOODLESS ... .. 4
† GEORGE SEWELL ... .. 2	JOHN CURRY ... .. 5
GEORGE LADD ... .. 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal. † First peal with an 'inside' bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. H. Sutton.

COLNE, LANCs.—On Monday, Sept. 25th, at the Parish Church a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 48 mins.: A. Brook 1, R. Whitehead 2, J. E. Foulds 3, T. Foulds 4, C. Mallinson 5, W. H. Harrison 6, J. P. Foulds (conductor) 7, H. Nutter 8. This is the longest touch by a local band since before the war. The bells have recently been rebung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and are in perfect condition.

HOLBETON, DEVON.  
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

BENJAMIN MILLER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RUNDLE ... .. 4
* HARRY BURNER ... .. 2	A. C. BOOKLESS-BROWNE ... .. 5
REV. EVERARD S. POWELL ... .. 3	WARREN S. HORN BROOK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WARREN S. HORN BROOK.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal in the method as conductor.

RENDHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Double Court, Kent, Woodbine and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. Treble	ALBERT J. LINCOLN ... .. 4
JOHN GARRATT ... .. 2	JOHN HALL ... .. 5
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 3	HARRY HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

First peal in seven methods on the bells.

FRAMPTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 13½ cwt.

JOHN G. AMES ... .. Treble	ARTHUR H. PALMER ... .. 4
* JOHN PHILLIPS ... .. 2	HERBERT I. MINGAY ... .. 5
GEORGE LADD ... .. 3	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE.

\* First attempt at Treble Bob 'inside.' Quickest peal on the bells. The band wish to express their sincere thanks to the Vicar of Frampton for kindly allowing the use of the bells at a moment's notice, also to the local ringers for arranging same. The original intention was a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at the neighbouring parish of Kirton, but this was abandoned, after raising the bells, through illness near the church.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

WISBECH.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Oct. 18, 1922, in One Hour and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE VICTORIA ROAD SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

BERT GOGLE... .. 1—2	JOHN FOSTER ... .. 3—4
RALPH NARBOROUGH ... .. 5—6	

Conducted by RALPH NARBOROUGH.

First double-handed 5,000.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

AND ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

IN ST. MARY-LE-TOWER BELFRY,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 18 in G.

* HOBART E. SMITH ... .. 1—2	* GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... .. 5—6
* CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... .. 3—4	FREDERICK J. TILLET ... .. 7—8
WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... .. 9—10	

Composed by B. ANNALE. Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

Witness: MR. MAYHEW.

100th peal as conductor. \* First peal of Bob Royal on handbells. Composition No. 7, C.C. Collection.

ELMDON, ESSEX.—On Sept. 9th, 720 Oxford Bob: L. Brookes 1, A. E. Austin (conductor) 2, P. Webb 3, R. Clements 4, E. G. Hibbins 5, E. Griggs 6.

### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. PRESTON BRANCH ACTIVITIES.

A very successful meeting of the Preston Branch was held at Samlesbury on Saturday, October 14th, about 25 members being present. The towers represented were Chorley, Eccleston, Hoghton, Leyland St. James, Preston Parish, Penwortham, Walton-le-Dale, Whittle-le-Woods, the local band, and visitors from Blackburn. The methods rung during the afternoon were Little Bob, Kent Treble Bob Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major, Stedman and Grandsire being the Triple methods. One regrets that the striking was not all that could be desired. The cause is that many, and this applies in a few cases to the older hands, do not appear to be listening to the sound of their bell, or, perhaps, cannot distinguish its sound from the other bells. Another cause is that many, again including some of the older hands, will persist in giving close leads at hand stroke and further aggravating the trouble by keeping slightly open at back stroke. It is quite impossible to maintain a regular beat if one or two are giving irregular leads, the natural consequence being that the striking is poor and irregular, thus greatly magnifying the difficulties of a new or intricate method.

The Vicar (the Rev. T. W. Broadhead) was present at the meeting, and invited the members to come and ring a muffled touch on the eve of Armistice Day. His invitation was accepted, and a quarter-peal of Stedman is to be attempted.

Mr. A. Woodhouse, who presided, invited the branch to tea at the Walton-le-Dale meeting, in November, when they hope to unveil two peal tablets recording peals rung in honour of two Walton church-workers of long standing. He wishes it to be a record meeting for the branch.

A Branch peal book has long been talked of. Mr. D. Sanderson offered to make one and present it to the branch. His generous offer was unanimously accepted.—The usual votes of thanks terminated the meeting.

### LAVENHAM MEN AND SUPERLATIVE.

At Lavenham, on Saturday evening, for practice, a 672 of Superlative Surprise Major was rung by A. Symonds 1, M. Symonds 2, F. Leeks 3, W. R. J. Poulson 4, F. Mortlock 5, F. Turner 6, S. H. Symonds (conductor) 7, F. Poulson 8. This was the first touch in the method on the bells by a local company; also for the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association since its formation.

### CERTIFICATES OF MERIT.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—Your correspondents are not alone in their views on the above subject. It was one of the practical points I put forward over 20 years ago. Now, another generation begins to see that something of the sort is necessary. As Mr. Wright has pointed out, the matter is now under discussion by a special committee of the Midland Counties Association. I quite agree that there ought to be one or more diplomas of merit in the same manner as those of 'Associate' or 'Licentiate' of a College of Music. The grading may cause some dissension if done by individual associations, as it can be logically argued that a man who can call Holt's Original or a one-part peal of Stedman Triples is equal to any Surprise ringer. At the same time there is to-day a deal too much of peal piling in the lower methods. A ringer may boast of his 200 or 300 peals—largely Doubles and Minor—the whole bunch of which would not equal a solitary peal of London, and the cure for this, I think, would be for the Central Council to issue diplomas, franked by each affiliated society. — Yours very truly,  
WILLIAM WILLSON.

### 'FORM AT A GLANCE.'

Sir,—In reference to ringers' badges, etc., I would suggest a medal in bronze, silver and gold, for Plain, Treble Bob and Surprise peals, the medal to vary in size according to weight of bell rung for the first peal; also a bar might be added to denote lengths above 5,000; a chevron to be worn for every peal rung. Think of the man with a thousand or so! Then for the convenience of conductors making up teams, perhaps the Editor would compile a small handbook entitled 'Form at a glance.' As to anyone who rang 25 per cent. of peals in any one method he should be suitably 'crimed.' Thus should we know and be known.—Yours,  
T. H. VALLANCE.

### AN OCTOGENARIAN RINGER.

Mr. J. Whitaker, the veteran Yorkshire ringer, has just celebrated his 80th birthday, and in honour of the event a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Major (1,280 changes) was rung at St. Michael's, Headingley, Leeds. Mr. Whitaker rang the treble, and received the good wishes of the band, as he will those of the Exercise: J. Whitaker 1, G. Robinson 2, R. Thomas 3, H. Williams 4, W. O. Talbot 5, W. Wood 6, H. Lindsay (conductor) 7, P. J. Johnson 8.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.**

THE

**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**

**in Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. E. H. Lewis has been elected President of the West of Scotland Iron and Steel Institute for two years, an honour upon which he will be heartily congratulated by his friends in the Exercise.

Up to the present about £440 has been collected towards the cost of recasting and rehanging the bells of Haslemere, Surrey. A sum of about £700 is required, and Major Hesse, to whose initiative the proposal for the restoration is due, is actively engaged in raising the money.

It is interesting to note that Haslemere was the last 'inspection' carried out by the late Mr. John Taylor, of Loughborough. The contract will be placed with Messrs. Taylor and Co.

Among the ten-bell towers in London it is seldom that peals are rung at St. Luke's, Chelsea, or St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington. By a coincidence a peal of Stedman Caters was rung at each of these churches on Saturday.

Taunton is the 40th tower (including St. Patrick's, Dublin), in which there are twelve bells hung for ringing.

The older he gets, the more vigorous seems to grow that 'youthful' veteran, James George, of Rugby, Birmingham and England. His latest escapade, within a month of his 69th birthday, is to ring the tenor (53 cwt.) to the fastest peal of Cinques yet rung on the famous Bow bells. There can be only one higher pinnacle; and that will be to turn Exeter Cathedral into a peal of Maximus, after he is 70!

Two Kent ladies, Mrs. H. Baker (Frittenden) and Miss Rose Thomas (Mersham) stood side by side on Saturday last in a peal of Grandsire Triples at Appledore, Kent, ringing the treble and second respectively. It was Mrs. Baker's first peal, and the first by Miss Thomas with an inside bell. Appledore bells are light (tenor 12½ cwt.), with a long draught and no guides. The ladies, however, controlled their ropes excellently, and listeners to the peal described the ringing as very good indeed. We congratulate the ladies on their highly creditable achievement.

There are 'speed merchants' in the tower as well as on the road, apparently. Last Saturday a peal of Cambridge Major was rung at the Loughborough Foundry in 2 hrs. 22 mins. Surely Middleton's composition has never been got through in such quick time before, at any rate on tower bells!

Walter P. Whitehead, the very youthful Leicester ringer, rang his first peal in the method in this performance, and, in the words of one of the band, was on top of his task from 'go' to 'this is all.' This boy is a remarkable ringer for his age, and the speed of the peal alone vouches for the fact that there were no trips. A single slip at this pace puts an end to any attempt.

On October 28th, 1837, Henry Dains was born at Tibbenham.

A peal of 9,120 Kent Treble Bob Major was rung at Holbeck, Leeds, on October 28th, 1876.

On October 29th, 1827, a peal of 6,011 Grandsire Caters was rung in 4 hours 10 minutes at the Parish Church, Bromsgrove. It was composed and conducted by Richard Pearce.

The first handbell peal (Oxford Treble Bob Major) was rung at Sheffield on October 30th, 1811. On the same day in the year 1749 a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at Dartford, Kent, by the parish ringers.

A 7,002 Grandsire 'Quaters' was rung at the Church of St. Mary-the-Great, Cambridge, on October 31st, 1791.

November 1st is an interesting anniversary, for on that date in the year 1878 St. Paul's Cathedral bells were opened.

## FATHERS AND SONS.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—I am afraid your correspondent, 'Once a Beginner,' is labouring under a great delusion. Neither I nor my son claimed to have rung the first peal of London Surprise, in which father and son took part. When the peal in question appeared in print, my son wrote saying we had accomplished that several years previous, and also quoted other Surprise peals we had rung together. He forgot to mention the Banister peal, although aware of it.

There is, I think, one peal we can claim to be the 'first' which father and son took part in, and that was our first in the method on twelve bells, viz., Cambridge Surprise Maximus, rung at Waltham Abbey, 11th June, 1921.—Yours truly,

THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, Senr.

## THE W. W. GIFFORD MEMORIAL.

Contributions to the fund for the memorial to the late Mr. W. W. Gifford have been received as follows: Amount previously acknowledged, £21 16s.; the Ancient Society of College Youths, per Mr. W. T. Cockerill, £2 15s.; Mr. Thomas Haslam (Kendal), 5s.; total, £24 16s. This fund will be closed at the end of October.—L. Harris, Britford, Salisbury; F. W. Romaine, 41, Green Croft Street, Salisbury, hon. secretaries; J. R. Jerram, Church House, Salisbury, hon. treasurer.

## TAUNTON BELLS.

### THE NEW PEAL OF TWELVE.

Another addition to the twelve bell towers of the country was completed on Saturday by the dedication of the two new trebles which have been added in the magnificent steeple of St. Mary Magdalene's Church, Taunton. Among West Somerset ringers it was a red-letter day, the memory of which will long remain. The work has been carried out after surmounting many obstacles, the first and by no means least being the refusal of a faculty. The Chancellor of the Diocese was willing to grant a faculty for the rehanging in a new frame of the old peal of ten, but the committee were not prepared



THE TOWER OF ST. MARY'S, TAUNTON.

to accept this as final. They called in Mr. G. H. Phillott, of Cheltenham, who is not only an experienced ringer but also an eminent architect. He examined the tower and reported favourably upon the proposal. Further application, backed by this expert opinion, was then made, and eventually the faculty was granted. A committee was elected to carry out the scheme, and included, in addition to the clergy, Messrs. J. R. F. Lightowers, R. L. Cozens and C. Hiscock (churchwardens), H. A. Jeboult (organist), P. Brown, T. Doble, J. Burge, Stenlake and J. Hunt. The work has been carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, who have added further to their great reputation.

### A FINE ENGINEERING JOB.

The augmentation of the 'ringing' peal from ten to twelve was effected by recasting the smallest of the four 'half tone' bells used in the carillon, to take its place as the second in the twelve, and the addition of a new treble. This bell is the gift of Mr. Henry Joseph Van Trump, and the inscription is:—

To the Glory of God  
and in loving memory of

Harry Van Trump,  
William Albert Fowler,  
William Fudge,

Sidney Archibald Phillips,

Members of the St. Mary's Guild of Ringers, who gave  
their lives for their Country in the Great War,  
1914—1918.

This bell was presented by Henry Joseph Van Trump.

The twelve bells are all hung on one level in heavy cast iron framework, mounted on a foundation of steel girders. The foundation girders are in two tiers, one set spanning the tower east to west, and the other north to south. The girders are anchored into the four walls, both sets being bolted together, and heavily cross-braced, forming a very effective tie to the tower. The bells are hung with the most modern type of fittings. The smaller nine bells hang in ball bearings in totally enclosed dust-proof housings, and the larger three bells are in roller bearings similarly housed, the headstocks being of cast iron.

Prior to this restoration, the 'go' of these bells had never been satisfactory. It is, however, gratifying to know that every bell now goes perfectly, and the movement in the tower, which had always been a marked feature, is considerably less than it was. This is the more pleasing, as being further proof that first-class modern bell hanging is advantageous to a tower. The reduction of strain upon the tower is apparent by the much reduced oscillation, and in place of uneven 'go' in the bells, they now run perfectly.

In the opinion of those qualified to speak on the subject, the restoration is a very fine engineering job, and with regard to the trebles, the people are delighted with them. They blend well in quality of tone with the old bells, and can be heard splendidly, so that the whole peal make an exceptionally fine twelve for the weight.

The weights of the two new bells are: Treble 5 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb., 2nd 6 cwt. The tenor is 29 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb., in C sharp. There are now 15 bells in the tower fourteen of them being used in the carillon.

### THE DEDICATION.

The dedication was performed by the Rev. C. C. Parker, Master of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, Prebendary Corfield, Vicar of St. Mary's, and the Rev. S. W. Payne, curate, also taking part in the ceremony. The service was choral, and immediately after the formal dedication the twelve bells rang out in rounds, handled by S. Wyatt, F. Chedghey, H. J. Creed, E. Lloyd, A. Wyatt, P. Merson, E. Wyatt, J. Burge (conductor), A. Tout, F. Sadd, J. Hunt and W. White. The service below then proceeded, and the ringers returned to take their place amongst the congregation. The Rev. C. C. Parker preached an appropriate sermon, dwelling on the use of the bells, and appealing to all ringers to try their best when at the bell ropes, and to work together as one on behalf of God's House.

The service over, twelve members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, eleven from Bristol, and J. Hunt, of Taunton, rang 1,047 of Stedman Cinques: F. Leaker 1, W. A. Cave (composer and conductor) 2, A. Reeves 3, E. Guise 4, R. Clark 5, C. Gordon 6, E. Brown 7, H. Pring 8, W. Knight 9, J. Hunt 10, J. Burford 11, H. Howell 12. The critics outside passed very favourable comments on the ringing, which was 'clean,' with good striking, considering the 75ft. of rope. The Bristol men fully upheld their reputation as twelve-bell ringers.

A move was then made to the School Room for tea, 127 sitting down. Prebendary Corfield presided, supported by the Rev. C. C. Parker and the churchwardens of St. Mary's. Amongst those present were Mr. E. E. Burgess, secretary, Bath and Wells Association; the Rev. E. V. Cox, Vicar of Bampton; the Rev. F. L. Edwards, hon. secretary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild; Mr. E. Guise, hon. secretary of the Gloucester and Bristol Association; Mr. P. Williams, Bristol district secretary; Mr. A. Walker, Ringing Master, St. Martin's, Birmingham; Mr. W. C. Hunt, Nottingham; Mr. A. W. Brighton, Mr. J. Waghorn, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Barker and Mr. A. A. Hughes (of Mears and Stainbank), London; Mr. G. H. Phillott, Cheltenham; Mr. E. Bishop, Swindon; Mr. C. H. Jennings, Salisbury Guild; and ringers from the following places: Taunton (29), Martock (1), Bridgwater (6), Milverton (5), Ilminster (8), Trull (4), Pitminster (5), Chipstable (1), Bristol (30), Exeter (6), Thorverton (1), Minchhead (3), Stogumber, etc.

The Vicar extended a hearty welcome to all, and had a special word for those who had come a long way. He was delighted to see so many present, and expressed a wish they would all come again. The speaker amused the company with some anecdotes, and concluded by hoping that everyone would have a good time and get home safe.

Mr. A. Walker (Birmingham) replied for the visitors, and said

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

how delighted he was to be there to have a hand in the opening of this fine peal of twelve, which he considered, for their weight, were second to none he had heard. In his opinion, an excellent job had been made by the bell hangers.

Mr. J. Hunt proposed a vote of thanks to the churchwardens and the committee who had done so much to bring the augmentation and restoration to a successful issue, and included in the vote Mr. H. J. Van Trump for his generous gift of the new treble, with his son's name, and those of three other fallen ringers.

Ringings were again indulged in, the twelve being rung in rounds by several bands, while some tried Grandsire Cinques, Stedman Cinques and Bob Maximus. St. James's eight were also kept going to various methods, including Cambridge Surprise Major, and brought an eventful day to a close.

Special services were continued on Sunday, and in the ringing which took place Mr. A. A. Hughes, Mr. A. Walker and Mr. J. Waghorn took part. The bells were raised in peal, and a course of Stedman Cinques was just pushed home, and rounds of 'queens,' etc., followed. Canon Morrow, of Clifton, was the preacher, and he delivered a powerful sermon. Prebendary Maynard was the preacher at evensong.

A word of praise must be given to the vergers for putting everything in order, even to draping the ringing room with flags. Any ringer desiring to ring at St. Mary's should send a card to Mr. J. Burge, 32, Greenbrook Terrace, Taunton.

### PREBENDARY FARRER'S MISCONCEPTIONS.

MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE'S REPLY.

No time has been lost in calling Prebendary Farrer's attention to erroneous basis of the statements he made at the Bath and Wells Diocesan Board of Finance, alleging that damage is done to churches by bells, and to which we referred in our issue of Sept. 27th. The following letter to the Prebendary is from Major J. H. B. Hesse, who is a member of the Central Council's Towers and Beltries Committee:—

'It often occurs when a ring of bells is undergoing restoration, that a suggestion is put forward to increase them from 6 to 8, 8 to 10, or 10 to 12, and the first question the Church Authorities ask is "Is the Tower strong enough?" and it is quite a natural question to ask.

'An architect may be called in—and generally is. If he knows anything about ringing, and understands bell hanging from the engineering point of view, one may be sure to get a fair answer as to whether the tower is sufficiently strong, or not; but, on the other hand, if he knows nothing whatever of ringing, or of bell hanging, he will generally advise that the number of bells be not increased.

'For the sake of argument, take a ring of eight bells with a tenor of 30 cwt. hung in a timber frame, the bells fitted with timber headstocks, and going badly, the framework moving with the motion from the bells, and the bells hung well out of their headstocks with long old-fashioned canons. Added to this, a considerable movement noticeable in the tower, which has been pronounced just safe for these eight bells, and no more. The time arrives for these bells to be rehung, and it is proposed to increase them to ten. In such an instance, it can be done with perfect safety, providing the authorities employ a first-class firm to do the work, the reasons being as follows:—

'A modern metal bell frame, if properly designed and built, helps to support the tower, whereas the old timber frame does not. The metal frame is mounted on steel girders which run north to south and east to west; each end of the girder is anchored into the wall, and all the girders are horizontally cross-braced, with the result that no one wall can take any strain independent of the other three, i.e., the load is equally distributed over the four walls. The headstocks are made of cast iron, instead of wood, and the bells are tucked higher into the stocks, i.e., more weight is placed above the line of the gudgeons. This means a very great deal less strain on the tower. Now, if this peal of eight with a 30 cwt. tenor were all rehung by a first-class firm, with two smaller bells added to make ten, the strain on the tower would be a great deal less than when there were only eight bells hung in the old-fashioned way. The writer has in mind a ring of six bells with a tenor of 37 cwt., which were rehung about twelve years ago, with the addition of four smaller bells to make ten. The work was carried out in a first-class manner, and the movement in the tower is now very small indeed compared to what it was when there were six bells only, because, prior to the restoration and augmentation, the old six bells were hung in the old-fashioned way in a timber frame which oscillated considerably, and the bells fitted in wooden headstocks and "hung out." There are many other instances the writer could give.'

PRESTON, STIFFOLK.—On Saturday, Sept. 8th, 720 St. Clement's Minor: S. H. Symonds (conductor) 1. F. Turner 2. F. Leeks 3. A. Symonds 4. K. Whittle 5. H. D. Lister 6. First 720 in the method on the bells, and first attempt in the method by the 2nd, 3rd, 5th and 6th.

### HEADCORN BELLS RESTORED.

A FINE KENT PEAL.

Through the kind exertions of Mrs. Gatehouse and a grant from the Kent County Association, the Vicar and Church Council of Headcorn undertook the restoration of the church bells, upon the recommendation of the captain of the local band. The work has been successfully carried out by Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich. The treble, 2nd and 4th have been recast, and the 7th and tenor rehung, while the bearings of the 3rd, 5th and 6th have been cleaned, and all the bells fitted with Mr. Bowell's new oil boxes, which are a very great improvement on the old plan.

The re-dedication was performed by the Archdeacon of Maidstone. The hour fixed for the service (7.30 p.m.) was rather late in the day to get many visiting ringers, but Mrs. Gatehouse (now of Biddenden), and her son, Captain R. A. O. Gatehouse, of the Indian Army, at present home on leave, assisted in the ringing after the service. Mrs. Gatehouse rang the 2nd bell, for the recasting of which she was responsible. She also rang the treble to a well-struck 120 of Grandsire Doubles, with 7, 6, 8 covering.

There have been several visitors from the Ashford district, also from the Tonbridge and Maidstone districts, as well as the Ospringe ringers from the Canterbury district, all of whom were pleased with the 'go' and tone of the new bells. The parishioners and ringers of Headcorn especially are very pleased with the possession of such a fine ring of bells, which are among the best in the kingdom.

In addition to the old inscription reproduced, the treble bears the words: 'Rev. Clement P. Dale, Vicar. Recast by Bowell, of Ipswich, 1922.'

The new inscription on the 2nd is: 'Te Deum Laudamus. Recast in memory of the Rev. Arthur Gatehouse, Vicar 1912-1917, by his widow and a few friends. Philip Hodgkin, captain of ringers. Recast by Bowell, of Ipswich, 1922.'

No. 4 (a maiden bell) recast by Bowell, of Ipswich, 1922.

All the old inscriptions have been reproduced, the treble and 2nd having been founded by Lester and Pack, 1766; and the 4th by R. Phelps in 1714.

### CANTERBURY PILGRIMS.

On Saturday, September 23rd, the ringers of St. Mary's, Prittlewell, and one or two friends—in all 19 strong—thoroughly enjoyed their annual outing. As last year, Kent was favoured with their patronage, the objective this time being Canterbury. A start was made from Southend for Gravesend at the early hour of 6.30 a.m. A charabanc had been chartered to pick up the party at the Clock Tower, Gravesend, at 8 a.m., and shortly after that hour the 'Happy Band of Pilgrims' were en route for Rainham, which was reached about 9 a.m. A halt was called, and in a short while the bells were going to touches of Stedman, Norwich, and Bob Major. Everyone having had a pull, and the interesting old church, with its wonderful old oak chest, its painted ceiling and its curious brasses having been admired, the 'progress' continued.

Faversham was the next stop. Again all had a 'go' at some method or another on the bells and a short stay was made for light refreshment! Tragedy nearly overlooked the party here, for when the ringing was over one 'Pilgrim,' who is keenly interested in bells, slipped up above to have a look at them, and on returning to the ringing chamber found himself locked in, for the others had gone, not knowing he was there. He immediately started a course of 'Stoney' on his own, but didn't get far before he was liberated.

Canterbury was reached in good time, and after a preliminary glance at the Cathedral, the band adjourned to The City Arms for dinner. Ringing was not due to start before 4 o'clock, so the spare time was spent by most in the Cathedral, viewing the crypts, and hearing the graphic account of Becket's murder on the actual spot where the crime was committed. Then, piloted by Mr. Andrews, a most obliging and painstaking guide, the long way to the belfry was undertaken, and after a somewhat hazardous climb to the top of the tower to see the big clock bell and admire the extensive view, some none too good ringing was indulged in. The ringers were all pleased to have Canon Helmore present, and stand in with them for a touch. About 5 o'clock, after bidding good-bye to The City Arms, and the genial and kindly host and hostesses, a reluctant start for Gravesend via Sittingbourne was made. After enjoying a splendid tea at the latter place, the tower was invaded. Here excellent touches of Double Norwich and Stedman were rung, and the 'Highbrows' indulged in a course of Superlative. Followed the long run to Gravesend through the night, including a stretch of six miles, where lanterns marked where the road was being widened. Indeed, the lanterns stretching ahead, made quite a fairy-like scene.

Gravesend was reached about 9.45 p.m., in plenty of time for the last train home to Southend. The day was enjoyed by all, and the ringers wish to thank their Kentish friends for the welcome and hospitality extended to them. They were greeted and made welcome everywhere and it is no wonder that Kent is the favourite ground of the Prittlewell band when they decide the venue of their annual outing.

S. W. O.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**BISHOP'S HULL, SOMERSET.**—On Sunday, Oct. 22nd, for morning service, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles, five different six-scores repeated: R. Greed 1, H. Pocock 2, W. Underhill (conductor) 3, E. Elson, junr., 4, C. Avis 5, F. Cavill 6. Longest length by all except tenor man. The conductor's age is 14, and treble and second ringers, 16 and 15 years old respectively.

**DERBY.**—At St. Peter's Church, for harvest festival, on October 1st, for morning service, 360 Bob Minor: J. Glow 1, C. Haycock 2, W. Poyser 3, F. Waldron 4, W. Hayward (Bridgenorth, Shropshire), conductor, 5, J. Garratt (Framlingham, Suffolk), 6.—For evening service, 1,150 Kent Major: F. Waldron 1, W. Hayward (longest touch) 2, J. Garratt 3, J. A. Orgill 4, W. Poyser 5, W. H. Buxton 6, W. A. Parsons 7, J. Lord (conductor) 8.

**SPRINGFIELD, ESSEX.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday evening, Oct. 1st, for the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Minor (720 Oxford Treble Bob and 540 Plain Bob): J. H. Myhill 1, W. E. Fraill 2, I. J. Poulton 3, A. E. Davis 4, E. Kemp 5, E. P. Buckingham (conductor) 6. This is the first quarter-peal by all in the two methods.

**PONTYPRIDD.**—At St. Katherine's Church, on Sunday, October 1st, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 43 mins.: J. Hallett 1, E. Mitchell 2, S. Ridgeway 3, A. Grey 4, C. H. Perry (conductor) 5, A. Burgess 6, J. Darteh 7, R. Dorward 8. Arranged especially for the conductor, who was on a visit to Pontypridd.

**REIGATE.**—On Sunday, October 1st, at the Parish Church, for evening service, harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 47 mins.: W. Pooley 1, H. Ewens 2, A. Bashford 3, C. Killick 4, G. Hoad 5, F. Rice 6, W. Claydon (conductor) 7, A. F. Cheasley (first quarter-peal) 8.

**DONCASTER.**—At St. George's Church, on Sunday evening, Oct. 1st, for the harvest thanksgiving, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 50 mins.: G. Halksworth 1, G. Jackson 2, J. Holmes 3, C. Clarke 4, F. Newsome 5, W. Lloyd 6, H. Walker (conductor) 7, R. Henson 8. First quarter-peal and first attempt by the ringer of the 2nd, who is only 14 years old.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Oct. 1st, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Plain Bob Major (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: F. S. Palmer 1, A. H. Fulwell 2, H. Belcher 3, A. M. Stacey 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, F. W. Goodfellow 7, L. H. Page (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal in the method by the ringers of the treble, 2nd, 4th and 6th.

**PATTISHALL, NORTHANTS.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, October 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 45 mins.: A. Mansfield 1, J. W. Haynes 2, F. Lucas 3, H. Polwell 4, J. W. Sharp (conductor) 5, H. Birch 6. First quarter by ringer of the treble and third.

**BRABOURNE, KENT.**—On October 1st, for harvest thanksgiving evensong, 240 Bob Minor and five 120's Grandsire Doubles: P. H. Pierce, S. Finn, C. Cheeseman, W. Cheeseman, E. Cheeseman (local men), and F. and A. Castle (Elham).

**OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Sunday, October 1st, at the Parish Church, 504 Stedman Triples: R. Edwards 1, R. Martin 2, J. Hughes 3, H. T. Hughes (first attempt and longest touch) 4, H. Jarman 5, G. Williams 6, R. Evans (conductor) 7, H. Kynaston 8.

**RUARDEAN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**—On Sunday, October 1st, in 50 minutes, a muffled quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), was rung in memory of Hubert Watkins: J. Harper, junr., 1, J. Harper 2, G. Wilks 3, J. Bishop 4, H. Reid 5, E. Matthews 6, W. Bishop (conductor) 7, H. Meek 8.

**WORTHFIELD.**—On Sunday, October 1st, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, at the Church of St. Lawrence, for harvest festival: P. C. Luffin 1, E. Rose (first 720 'inside') 2, J. Withers, junr., 3, J. Vaughan 4, H. Withers 5, J. Withers, senr. (conductor), 6.

**SANDHURST, BERKS.**—On Sunday, October 1st, for dedication festival, for early celebration, 720 Kent and 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor.—For morning service, 360 York Surprise; for afternoon service (Mothers' Union), 720 Cambridge Surprise, and for evening service, 720 London Surprise. Those taking part (who are all members of the local band) were: C. Barlow, F. Barlow, C. Doe, G. Englefield, J. Motli, A. Payne and G. Riches. The conductors were F. Barlow (Kent), G. Riches (Oxford), C. Doe (York), G. Englefield (Cambridge) and J. Motli (London).

**FARNHAM, SURREY.**—On Sunday, October 1st, at St. Andrew's Church, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 47 mins.: Miss W. King 1, H. Prior 2, G. Upshall 3, R. Hasted, junr., 4, E. Clapshaw 5, T. Upshall 6, R. Hasted, senr. (conductor), 7, A. E. King 8. All the ringers are members of the local band.

**CRANLEIGH, SURREY.**—On Sunday evening, October 1st, for harvest thanksgiving service, at St. Nicholas' Church, 1,264 Bob Major: H. Charman 1, R. Whittington 2, Mrs. R. Whittington 3, A. Charman 4, C. Charman 5, E. Warner (first quarter of Bob Major) 6, T. Worsfold 7, W. Charman (conductor) 8.

**LUTON, BEDS.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, Oct. 1st, the occasion of the harvest festival, for evening service, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major, in 49 mins.: T. Blackburn 1, A. J. Smith 2, B. Wilson 3, A. King 4, H. Wood 5, F. Hunt 6, T. Kendall 7, L. A. Goodenough (conductor) 8.

**WICKHAM SKEITH.**—For morning service, at St. Andrew's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 3rd, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: T. Davey 1, W. Clover 2, G. Brown 3, A. Berry 4, W. E. Garrard 5, G. Cattermole (conductor) 6.—At St. Mary's Church, Thornham Magna, 720 Kent Treble Bob: G. Cattermole (conductor) 1, G. Brown 2, W. Clover 3, G. Kemp 4, A. Berry 5, W. E. Garrard 6. Arranged to oblige W. E. Garrard, who hails from St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington.

## DEATH OF FORMER STAFFS SECRETARY.

The death occurred suddenly at Coseley Staffs, on October 16th, of the Rev. James Arthur Price (Vicar). For three or four years he acted as clerical secretary and treasurer of the society for the Archdeaconry of Staffs, and was an hon. member for ten years. He was also an hon. member of the Dudley and District Guild, and was beloved and esteemed by all the ringers with whom he came in contact.

The deceased gentleman, who was Rural Dean of Himley, preached for the harvest festival at Brierley Hill on the evening before his death.

He was a real 'ringer's Vicar,' and always ready to encourage and receive ringers in a most cordial manner. He will be greatly missed by the Coseley band, as well as in the parish and district in which he worked so ardently and successfully.

The body was taken on Thursday evening into the church in which the reverend gentleman had laboured for the past ten years, and placed in the chapel. It was preceded by members of the choir, and followed by the wardens and sidesmen, a short but impressive service being afterwards conducted by the Rev. L. J. Lamplough. Friends remained in attendance the whole night, and on Friday morning solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated.

The funeral took place on Friday afternoon. The members of the Coseley District Council and the Education Committee (of which the reverend gentleman had been a member) walked in procession from the Council House to the church, which was filled in every part by sympathisers. The chancel was one mass of beautiful floral tributes, one containing the message, 'From the last congregation to whom he ministered at Brierley Hill.'

The service, which was choral in character, was conducted by the Bishop of Stafford (Dr. Crawford), Archdeacon Graham (Stoke), with whom deceased was once a curate, and the Revs. L. J. Lamplough and C. S. Cook.

The attendance included people of all classes, and many local bodies were also represented.

A muffled peal was rung in the evening.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

## SOUTH-EASTERN DIVISION.

The annual meeting of the South-Eastern Division was held at Fryerning on Saturday, October 14th. The handy ring of six bells were kept going from 3 p.m. until about 9 p.m., the methods rung including Cambridge Surprise. This was the first meeting held at this tower since the new treble was added about two years ago. A few months ago it was decided to have a new frame, and the work was carried out by Mr. Bowell, of Ipswich. A steel frame has been put in, and the bells were taken away and retuned. This has made a vast improvement both in the tone and 'go' of the peal.

Service was held at 4.30, and a good number of parishioners, as well as the ringers, attended. The address was given by the Rector (the Rev. Canon S. L. Brown).

A splendid tea was provided by the Rector in the Parish Room, and the local ringers' wives acted as waitresses.

At the business which followed, Mr. A. Edwards and Mr. W. Lincoln (retiring Master) were proposed for the office, and Mr. A. Edwards was elected by 12 votes to 8.

Mr. O. Pease and Mr. P. Timson (retiring secretary) were proposed for secretary. Mr. P. Timson was re-elected.—Mr. A. Edwards proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the retiring Master for his 10 years' past services.

Two new ringing members were elected, and it was decided to hold the next meeting in the new year, at Boreham, and a by-meeting at Maldon on Saturday, November 4th, as the bells of All Saints' have been made into a peal of eight by Mr. Bowell.

Mr. W. Lincoln proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for making the ringers welcome, to the organist, and to the ladies for their services at tea.

The ringers afterwards returned to the tower, while some brought touches round on the handbells, and others proceeded to Ingatstone, a heavy peal of five, and rang touches of Stedman and Grandsire. Members present represented Boreham Broomfield, Bentley, Chelmsford, Ingatstone, Maldon, Springfield, Writtle, and the local company.

# 'MATHE-LOGICS' AND A CHALLENGE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—One has nothing but admiration for the skipper who sticks to his sinking ship; and Mr. Powell has at least succeeded in calling forth an expression of support; even if, as the only one, it comes from our old friend, the 'echoist,' on the opposition benches. But I challenge the production of data (resulting from the so-called 'tests'), which will demonstrate the application of strict Q-set principles as the true foundation of method construction. The truth is that Mr. Powell himself, in the concluding statement in his latest letter, has knocked the bottom out of his whole argument; since he has there arrived at a conclusion which is the very recrudescence of ours. But we will refer to this later.

Without wishing to appear as one applying the cold douche of ridicule, I cannot help expressing that I am reminded, by Mr. Powell's references to mathematics and logic and by his line of argument, of a certain [small-ill]-logical process of school-boy days, whereby those who could not follow the more involved algebraical fallacy generally used for the purpose, attempted to demonstrate that all numbers are equal! It ran something like this:—

1 cat has 1 tail.

And 0 cat has 2 tails (No! of course not!)

\*(Adding up) 1 cat has 3 tails.

But, 1 cat has 1 tail [By hypothesis].

3=1 (And so on ad lib!) [Q.E.D.]

Now, if Mr. Powell's 'independent investigator with the mathematical mind' would care to honour me with a little of his attention, I will gladly show him that his supposed request for 'an example of a method produced independently of these arbitrary rules and free from the characteristics which are observed,' can actually be met. In which case that investigator would (presumably) thereupon retract all he has been made to say in Mr. Powell's letter.

And now for that unfortunately-chosen concluding statement in the letter, namely, that a certain authority 'recognises no distinction between the production of the so-called plain course and that of the touch or peal.' Quite so! We are all agreed on this, and why? Because the production of a plain course from change blocks is not method construction, it is composition, as we have previously insisted. The linking together of change blocks (leads or divisions), by means of varied place making positions and dodgings, at the junctions, is composition pure and simple; just as varied call positions lengthen or shorten courses. But method construction is confined entirely with the manufacture of the change block. Mr. Powell cannot realise that composition can only begin where method construction is completed; but an analogy with brick-making and house-building should make the position clear to the most prejudiced mind. The wall of the house (the touch or peal) is composed of courses of brick-work or stone (the courses of changes); and these courses of brick-work or stone are formed by joining blocks (of brick or stone) together by means of mortar (the place making and dodging at the junction of change blocks). All this is performed by the bricklayer or stonemason (the composer of touches or peals); and he cannot lay a single brick until it has been made for him. Now, is the bricklayer concerned in the very least degree with the actual making of the bricks at the brick kiln? No, for this is the job of those in the brickyards; i.e., the method builders, who construct the change blocks in ringing.

And just as the bricks must have uniform exterior measurement, so does the method builder conform to the given conventions of 'lead-ends in coursing order,' etc.; and that is all. But Mr. Powell would tell us that the bricklayer is most anxiously concerned in (in fact, is actually responsible for) the manufacture of the bricks themselves, so closely does he suppose the two operations to be related.

No, sir, the truth is, perhaps, that we should be attacked because of our attempt to enjoy a progressive conservatism in these matters, rather than a retrograde radicalism.—Yours truly,

A. YORK BRAMBLE.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

A quarterly meeting was held at Kinner on October 14th, and a very pleasant afternoon and evening were spent. Favoured with beautiful weather, the drive through the pretty country was much enjoyed. A fairly good muster of members and friends assembled, and made good use of the handy ring of eight bells. During the afternoon the 'Black Country veteran' (Mr. W. Rock Small) put in an appearance for a short period, but had to leave early on account of his inability to get about in the dark. He, however, had climbed the high hill whereon the church is situated—and this is no mean feat for one who is verging on 83 years of age!

A service was held in church, conducted by the Rev. T. A. Cooper Slipper (Vicar), who also gave a helpful address. Tea was provided at the White Hart Hotel, at which the Vicar was unable to be present on account of prior engagements. When tea was over, some returned to the tower, while others enjoyed a short time in social intercourse. This was indeed a pleasurable outing.

The next meeting is provisionally arranged to take place at Christ Church, West Bromwich, on January 6th, 1923.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 53, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1637).—The 285th Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 11th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 7/6 each, may be obtained from any of the following committee: Messrs. J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, P. E. Clark, W. T. Cockerill, G. R. Fardon, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, R. T. Hibbert, E. Horrex, C. H. Horton, A. Howell, A. A. Hughes, W. J. Kemp, H. Langdon, A. R. Macdonald, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, A. Walker, H. J. Walton, C. F. Winney and E. A. Young.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The next 8-bell contest will be held at Elland on Saturday, Oct. 28th. The draw will take place at the Mexborough Arms 2.45 prompt.—W. Frith, 5, Sufton Street, Birkby, Huddersfield.

ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A meeting for the Archdeaconry of Suffolk will be held at Ufford on Oct. 28th at 4 p.m. Bells available all day.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The Annual meeting of this District will be held at St. Mary's, Woolwich, S.E., on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service and address by the Rev. A. N. Pickering (Rector) at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow in the Parish Room.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Oct. 28th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 5 to 8 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Acton (by permission of the Vicar) on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Tower open for ringing at 3.20. Service at 5.30. Tea arranged for 6 p.m. at 1/-.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—A combined practice meeting of the District will be held at West Malling on Saturday, Oct. 28th, commencing about 6 o'clock. All members of the District are invited to attend this meeting.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. District Sec.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The 45th Annual meeting will be held in Newcastle on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Committee meeting in the Upper Vestry of the Cathedral at noon. Service in the Cathedral at 1 o'clock. Dinner, 2/- to mem-

bers, 3/6 to non-members, at The Collingwood Restaurant at 2 p.m.; general meeting following. Bells available: Cathedral (12), All Saints', Gosforth (10), St. Stephen's (8), St. John's (8), All Saints', Newcastle (8), St. George's (8), St. Mary's, Gateshead (8) and Benwell (6).—E. Ferry, Hon. Sec., 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

**HERTS ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Rickmansworth on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Arrangements will be made for tea.—H. Eden, Hon. Sec. Watford District, 11, Pinner Road, Watford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. John's, Blackpool, on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30; election of secretary.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 3, Rutland Gate, Blackpool.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dist. Sec., 47, Beddington Grove, Wallington.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Rowberrow, near Winscombe, on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Service 5 o'clock; tea and meeting after. Bells (6) afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, 35, Oxford Street, Burnham-on-Sea.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Established 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at the Cathedral (St. Philip's) on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells (10) available from 4 o'clock. Business meeting in the belfry at 5.30.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Stevenage on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells ready 3.30. Service in the church at 4.30.—F. R. Bacon, Hon. District Sec., 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Newark on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea, 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Hatfield (Stainforth G.C. Station), on Oct. 28th. Bells (8) ready early.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on Oct. 31st. Business meeting afterwards (nomination of officers).—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**BELL OPENING.**—The bells at Corfe Mullen, near Weymouth, which have been recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, will be opened on Wednesday, 1st Nov., at 3.15 p.m.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—A Quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Hampton Bishop on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m., service 5 p.m. Tea at Parish Room 5.45 p.m., 6d. each to those notifying me not later than Nov. 1st.—C. Edwards, Dis. Sec., Great Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday, Nov. 4th. *Not* St. Michael's, Blackburn, as was arranged. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Rowde on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.40. Tea at 5. Short business meeting directly after tea. Also the tower of Bromham (6 bells) open for ringing, 6 p.m.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, at a small charge, at 5.30, followed by short business meeting. The bells at St. John-at-Hackney (Old Hackney) will be available from 7.30 to 9 o'clock. A good attendance is desired.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Southwold District.—A practice meeting will be held at Southwold on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. W. Naunton, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Powick on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Service at 4 o'clock, business meeting and election of officers afterwards. Tea will be provided for those who notify me by the Wednesday previous.—R. G. Knowles, Branch Sec., Madresfield, Malvern.

**OXFORD GUILD.**—Sonning Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Easthampstead on Saturday, Nov. 4th, from 6 till 9 p.m.—Jos. White.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Rye, Sussex, on Saturday, Nov. 4th. The bells will be available from 2.30. Tea provided.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A by-meeting will be held at Maldon on Saturday, November 4th. Both towers available from 3 p.m. till 8 p.m. Service at All Saints' 4.30. Tea and meeting in Parish Room to follow. Private bus leaves Chelmsford at 2.30, returning from Maldon 8.30, to hold 16. A few seats available, fare 2s. 6d. return. Will all members intending to be present please notify on or before Wednesday, Nov. 1st, Mr. F. Chalk, Elmsley, Weybridge, Maldon?—P. Timson, Dis. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Southport, on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Efforts are being made for Emmanuel Church bells to be available the same day.—J. Halsall, Branch Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chipping Norton Branch.—The Annual Autumn meeting will be held at Burford on Saturday, November 4th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Service 4. Tea 4.45 at The Lamb.—J. Keyte, Hon. Sec., Charlbury.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Coaley on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.



**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Mid-Devon Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 4th, at Newton Abbot. Bells available—Highweek (8), St. Leonards (8), from 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me by Nov. 1st. All ringers welcome.—H. J. Hole, Hon. Sec., "Tauntonia," Church Street, Paignton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will take place at Middleton Parish Church on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 31, Samuel Street, Middleton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Eccles on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells ready at 3.15, meeting 7 o'clock.—J. Hall, Branch Sec. 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Fleet, Holbeach, on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Meat tea in Village Hall at 4.15.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The next monthly meeting will be held on Nov. 4th at Birstall. Peal attempt 2 p.m. Business meeting at 7 o'clock.—Charles E. Lawson, Hon. Sec., 10, Leather Street, Leeds.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual meeting of the Winchester District will be held at Romsey on Saturday, November 4th. The Abbey bells will be available from 2.30. Tea at 5 o'clock, business meeting afterwards. Those requiring tea please inform me by October 31st.—W. T. Tucker, Dis. Sec., 71, High Street, Eastleigh.

**NORTH WINGFIELD.**—Dedication of new tenor bell, Saturday, Nov. 11th. Service 3 p.m. Tea 4.30, 1/6 each to all who notify Mr. J. P. Tarlton, 16, Bright Street, N. Wingfield, Chesterfield, not later than Nov. 8th. All ringers and friends invited.—T. Allibone, Local Sec.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the Hunts Branch will be held at Hemingford Abbots on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells at Hemingford Abbots (6) and Houghton (5) available from 2 p.m. All requiring tea (9d.) please send me notice by Nov. 7th.—Rev. H. B. Woolley, Long Stanton, Cambridge.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, Oct. 30th, Nov. 13th and 27th; Bishopsgate, Nov. 20th. Sundays, St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

'GRANDSIRE DOUBLES & TRIPLES SIMPLY EXPLAINED.'—Intended for Beginners and for those who find the ordinary books of instruction too technical. Price 6d., post free 6½d.; 5/9 a doz., post free, from I. Roe and M. Broome, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

SET OF 51 HANDBELLS, Chromatic Scale, F.26 to G.04, in good condition.—Price £20.—Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Stockport.

SET OF 8 HANDBELLS, Diatonic Scale, Key of F, tenor size 26; lovely mellow tone; condition good as new. On view any day. Price £8 5s.—H. Bayles, Queen St., Stradbroke, Diss, Norfolk.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Situation required as an ELECTRICIAN, good references. Standard methods (8).—D. Hill Brown, 'Sunny Bank,' Gilbert Road, Swanage, Dorset.

**NORTHAMPTON.**—At All Saints' Church, on Tuesday, August 12th, 288 Bristol Surprise Major (288 changes): W. G. Farry 1, A. P. Hensman 3, W. Rogers 3, J. C. Dean 4, J. T. Hensman 5, H. Rainbow 6, T. Tebbutt 7, W. J. Allen (conductor) 8.

**BENSON, OXON.**—On August 20th, 518 Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Ten-part: H. Phillips 1, E. G. Rice (conductor) 2, J. Aberly 3, J. Smith 4, J. Bower 5, F. W. Woodward 6, W. Hutton 7, J. Carter 8.—Also 532 Grandsire Triples, from Davies' Ten-part, W. G. Davis and O. Spicer taking part. The following parishes were represented: Goring, Benson, Warborough, Chalgrove, Dorchester, and South Stoke, Oxon; Harwell, Theale and Pangbourne, Berks.

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

*Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.*

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,  
COVENTRY.**





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

'ROPE-SIGHT,' 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

'GRANDEPIRE,' 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

'STANDARD METHODS,' 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

'STEDMAN,' 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

'TREBLE BOB,' 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

'DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.'—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..	4	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCING YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price ...	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 88/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

**WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Bell House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 607. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 8d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### THE DAY OF REMEMBRANCE.

Falling this year upon Saturday, 'Armistice Day' provides a great opportunity for peals in celebration of the anniversary of the cessation of hostilities in 1918, and, doubtless, there will be many bands who will avail themselves of the occasion. The day which saw the end of the great clash of arms in Europe is one which will remain a vivid memory with the present generation, and, as it marked the triumph of our arms, after more than four years of fierce warfare in which our sword was drawn for freedom and right, we may well celebrate the anniversary of such an epoch in the world's history by the joyous pealing of our bells.

But 'Armistice Day' as an occasion for rejoicing occupies on the 11th November only a secondary place in the thoughts of most British people. Primarily do their minds revert to those brave sons who fought and died, and hence it is as 'Remembrance Day' that this anniversary occupies first place in the hearts of the public. Last year ringers in hundreds of towers throughout the country joined in commemorating the day, first by muffled ringing, as a tribute to the fallen, and then, in many cases, an 'open' peal or touch to celebrate the triumph of the nation on the field of honour. The suggestion is made that a similar course shall be followed next week, and we imagine that in a majority of the towers the proposal will be acted upon.

From among the ranks of the ringers who went out in such large numbers to bear their share in the great adventure, approximately one thousand laid down their lives; and 'Remembrance Day' would be a specially appropriate occasion upon which those who now occupy the belfries, and grasp the ropes that once these departed heroes handled, could collectively honour the memory of their old comrades. In some areas the ringing is being properly organised, to ensure that it shall be general, and also, which is important, that where mixed bands are made up for peal attempts, individual companies shall not be so depleted as to deprive them of the opportunity of taking their proper part in the general ringing. This is, of course, a necessary step, for it might easily happen, where towers are not overmanned, that the absence of a couple of ringers might make impossible the effective use of the bells. 'Remembrance Day' is emphatically one of the days in the year when the bells ought to ring in every steeple in the country, and we hope that it will be possible this year. If it be only rounds that are rung it matters not so long as the ringers give of their best. It should be done even at the sacrifice of personal convenience, for what is this

(Continued on page 690.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway),

Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

compared with the sacrifice made by those men who came not back? The memory of the dead should first be honoured, whatever else may be contemplated in the way of celebration, and if this be done the ringers may rest assured that in this they will be giving fitting expression to the feelings of those who will hear the bells.

### TWELVE BELL PEALS.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH

ASSOCIATION

AND ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 32 cwt. in C sharp.

FREDERICK J. TILLET ... Treble	GEORGE FLEMING ... 7
WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... 2	HARRY R. ROPER ... 8
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... 3	PERCY MAY ... 9
H. CHARLES GILLINGHAM ... 4	WILLIAM TILLET ... 10
JAMES DORRANT ... 5	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 11
ALBERT FLEMING ... 6	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

\* First attempt for Kent Maximus. Considering there were 6 'firsts,' this was a splendid peal. Rung in honour of the wedding of the Vicar, Canon Hamilton A. Douglas-Hamilton, to the Hon. Rosamund Bateman-Hanbury.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, CORNBILL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 41 cwt.

HERBERT LANGDON ... Treble	MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... 7
FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... 2	WILSON RUSHTON ... 8
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... 3	ERNEST BRETT ... 9
THOMAS LANGDON ... 4	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 10
EDWIN F. PIKE ... 5	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ... 11
CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... 6	RICHARD F. FORWARD ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

CENTENARY PEAL.

WORCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH & THE ALL SAINTS' YOUTHS.)

On Thursday, Oct. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5400 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt.

GEOFFREY LEWIS ... Treble	WILLIAM LEWIS ... 6
ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... 2	WILLIAM PAGE ... 7
GEORGE HINTON, JUN. ... 3	WILLIAM C. JONES ... 8
SIDNEY T. HOLT ... 4	JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... 9
THOMAS WALTERS ... 5	CHARLES CAMM ... Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM WOODHEAD. Conducted by W. PAGE.

\* First peal on ten bells. Rung in honour of the centenary of the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal ever rung, the same composition being used.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Oct. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

HIRAM MEAKIN ... Treble	GEORGE WARBURTON ... 6
TOM WILDE ... 2	JAMES H. RIDING ... 7
JOHN BRIERLEY ... 3	ALLAN S. GORDON ... 8
WILLIAM BRAMMER ... 4	BENJAMIN THORP ... 9
WILLIAM GORDON ... 5	ALBERT HOOCH ... Tenor

Composed by A. B. CARPENTER. Conducted by BENJAMIN THORP.

First peal of Stedman Caters on the bells. \* First peal of Stedman Caters.

STONHAM ASPAL, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lambert,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qr. in E flat.

GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Treble	*ERNEST E. GRIMES ... .. 6
*WILLIAM CLOVER ... .. 2	*THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... .. 7
*ALPHEUS J. BERRY ... .. 3	JAMES BETTS ... .. 8
*LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... .. 4	ERNEST F. POPPY ... .. 9
†ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. 5	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal of Royal and first attempt. † First peal of Treble Ten.

LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Clement Danes, Strand,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM HARRIS ... .. 6
WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 2	*JOHN MEAD ... .. 7
JOHN SPARROW ... .. 3	WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 8
FRANK SMITH ... .. 4	HARRY SEAR ... .. 9
THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 5	REGINALD BROUGH ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by JOHN D. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal on ten and first attempt. The ringer of the 6th bells from Gloucester, 8th from Sittingbourne, 7th and 9th from Bletchley.

HERTFORD.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

*WALTER J. BOWDEN ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM NASH ... .. 6
MISS EDITH K. PARKER ... .. 2	GEORGE H. BARKER ... .. 7
JOHN T. KENTISH ... .. 3	*H. E. C. GOODENOUGH ... .. 8
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 4	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 9
GEORGE RADLEY ... .. 5	*DANIEL DYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE R. FARDON. Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\* First peal in the method.

BLACKBURN.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN, BOLTON AND PRESTON BRANCHES.)

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES**

Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM E. WILSON ... .. Treble	†PETER CROOK ... .. 6
*E. ROGER MARTIN ... .. 2	JOHN POTTER ... .. 7
THOMAS WILSON ... .. 3	†WILLIAM PENNINGTON ... .. 8
*HARRY ANDERTON ... .. 4	*ALBERT WOODHOUSE ... .. 9
*EMMANUEL DUTESON ... .. 5	JOHN WATSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. HALEY. Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

\* First peal of Caters. † First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal of Caters with a working bell. The ringer of the 7th bells from Walkden, 6th and 8th from Bolton, 2nd from Preston, 9th from Walton-le-Dale, the rest belong to the local band.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

EAST DEREHAM.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

*CHARLES BLOY ... .. Treble	FRED W. ADCOCK ... .. 5
†ARTHUR H. HOLLIDAY ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. PARKER ... .. 6
*HENRY M. E. BROOKS ... .. 3	*HERBERT R. SECKER ... .. 7
BENJAMIN HAMMOND ... .. 4	BERT J. WHITESIDE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by B. WHITESIDE.

\* First peal. † First peal of Major. First peal as conductor. First peal by local band since 1895.

APPLEDORE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

*MRS. H. BAKER ... .. Treble	GEORGE BILLENNESS ... .. 5
†MISS ROSE THOMAS ... .. 2	†EDWARD R. BURGESS ... .. 6
HARRY BAKER ... .. 3	*BEN BAKER ... .. 7
CHARLES TRIBE ... .. 4	GEORGE JOHNSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

\* First peal. † First peal with an 'inside' bell. † First peal with a changing bell. § First peal of Grandsire.

GODSTONE, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 6 qr. 4 lb.

GEORGE ELLIS ... .. Treble	ISAAC EMERY ... .. 5
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 2	WILLIAM T. BEESON, JUN. ... .. 6
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

First peal of Major on the bells.

WHITTLE-LE-WOODS, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(PRESTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

*A. BLOGG ... .. Treble	F. RIGBY ... .. 5
*H. LUCAS ... .. 2	†W. LANCASTER ... .. 6
W. SHARPLES ... .. 3	J. H. GARTSIDE, JUN. ... .. 7
*C. SALISBURY ... .. 4	W. FOWLER ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. THORP.

Conducted by W. SHARPLES.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung on the anniversary of the opening of the bells; also in memory of Lt.-Col. C. K. Crosse, to whose memory the bells were installed.

EYE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

HARRY CATTERMOLE ... .. Treble	GEORGE BROWN, JUN. ... .. 5
WILLIAM ROSE ... .. 2	THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... .. 6
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... .. 3	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 7
ALPHEUS J. BERRY ... .. 4	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Arranged to oblige the conductor, who was on a holiday in the district. It was his 200th peal.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 12 cwt.

*JOHN GARRATT ... .. Treble	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... .. 5
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDON ... .. 2	ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. 6
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 3	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 7
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... .. 4	*HARRY HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal of Stedman.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**



## WOOLWICH, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM J. ALDRIDGE ... ..	HERBERT HOLDEN ... ..	5
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... ..	SPENCER MARSHALL ... ..	6
WILLIAM WATCHORN ... ..	HERBERT ADDSLEY ... ..	7
CLR.-SGT. JAMES BENNETT ...	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ...	Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

## FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Oct. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb.

HARRY HALL ... ..	WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ...	5
*WALTER SPARROW ... ..	SHELFORD SPARROW ... ..	6
ALFRED H. WATSON ... ..	GEORGE H. CROSS ... ..	7
DAVID G. WIGHTMAN ... ..	*JOHN HALL ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal and first attempt in the method.

## LINCOLN.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, Oct. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter at Arches,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

CHARLES MCGUINNESS ... ..	LEWIS SNELL ... ..	5
GEORGE CHESTER ... ..	HAROLD MARCON ... ..	6
JOHN WALDEN ... ..	JOHN A. FREEMAN ... ..	7
H. LESLIE PASK ... ..	CHARLES W. P. CLIFTON ...	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN A. FREEMAN.

Rung in honour of the men of Lincoln who fell in the war and on the day following the dedication of the War Memorial.

## HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 3 lb. in A flat.

HERBERT SHIMMENS ... ..	GEORGE BENNETT ... ..	5
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON ...	*HUBERT FIELD ... ..	6
GEORGE PAYKE ... ..	ALBERT A. FLEMING ... ..	7
PERCY MAY ... ..	GEORGE A. FLEMING ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. THORP. Conducted by GEORGE A. FLEMING.

For calling, see Snowdon's Treble Bob, part 2, page 27. \* First peal of Major.

## FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Oct. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

HENRY C. COLLYER ... ..	EDWARD JENKINS ... ..	5
*WILLIAM BIBBY ... ..	*FRANCIS BIBBY ... ..	6
*GEORGE H. RANGLES ... ..	HARRY CHAPMAN ... ..	7
*JOHN E. BIBBY ... ..	*CECIL RADDON ... ..	Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (99). Conducted by EDWARD JENKINS.

\* First peal in the method.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

## SCOTLAND.

## EDINBURGH, MIDLOTHIANSHIRE.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE  
AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Cuthbert,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

*HENRY MANN ... ..	C. CLEVELAND-ELLIS ... ..	5
†MISS ANNIE I. WHITSON ...	ALBERT E. WREAKS ... ..	6
EDWARD ASTLEY ... ..	WILLIAM C. S. HEATHCOTE ...	7
ROBERT J. G. THOM ... ..	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... ..	Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 140). Conducted by J. E. SYKES.

This composition is now rung for the first time. \* First peal of Major. † First peal and first attempt.

## LONDON.

## THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary MATFELON, WHITECHAPEL, E.,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... ..	GEORGE A. CARD ... ..	5
EDWARD WALLACE ... ..	JAMES BULLOCK ... ..	6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	JAMES GEORGE ... ..	7
JEFFREY R. GAMMON ... ..	WILLIAM J. HEWSON ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

## LONDON.

## THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, E.,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

ARTHUR J. NEALE ... ..	ISAAC J. ATTWATER ... ..	5
JAMES BULLOCK ... ..	THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ...	6
ALBERT TURNER ... ..	JAMES GEORGE ... ..	7
JOSEPH S. HAWKINS ... ..	ALBERT RILEY ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JAMES BULLOCK.

First peal as conductor and first attempt. The above two peals were rung in the covering time of 7 hrs. and 6 mins., the towers being three miles apart, and as a birthday compliment to the Gen. Sec. of the Association, Mr. A. D. Barker.

## STONEY STANTON.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

*CHARLES H. BRIGGS ... ..	SHIRLEY BERTON ... ..	5
HAROLD J. POOLE ... ..	*ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... ..	6
JOHN OLDHAM ... ..	HARRY BROUGHTON ... ..	7
THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... ..	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ...	Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

\* First peal in the method. The conductor's 150th peal.

## GILMORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

(St. Andrew's Society, Rugby.)

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,

At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

*GEORGE WATSON ... ..	JOSEPH A. FENTON ... ..	5
†ALFRED G. GRANT ... ..	JOSEPH B. FENTON ... ..	6
CHARLES E. JOYNES ... ..	WALTER MALINS ... ..	7
†WILLIAM TAYLER ... ..	JOHN W. CHANDLER ... ..	Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM WILLSON. Conducted by WALTER MALINS.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. The band wish to tender their thanks to Mr. George Watson for his kind hospitality after the peal.

WOBURN, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb.

ERNEST HERBERT ... .. 1	ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... .. 5
CYRIL HERBERT ... .. 2	FRANK WEBB ... .. 6
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 3	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 7
HERBERT L. HARLOW ... .. 4	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. BARRETT.

Conducted by E. J. HOBBS.

First peal of Major as conductor. Rung on the 37th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Harlow's wedding day. Peal No. 290, C.C. Collection.

BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE LINES ... .. Treble	GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 5
FRANK LEWIN ... .. 2	ANDERSON Y. TYLER ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. GILBERT ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT ... .. 7
JOHN R. MAIN ... .. 4	WALTER PERKINS ... .. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW. Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.  
\* First peal in the method.

DERBY.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE WARD ... .. Treble	W. RICHARD DRAGE ... .. 5
JOSEPH BAILEY ... .. 2	WALTER WALLACE ... .. 6
ARTHUR BRAINES ... .. 3	ALBERT H. WARD ... .. 7
GEORGE FREEBREY ... .. 4	CHARLES E. HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, BART. Conducted by A. H. WARD.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Doris M. Ward, eldest daughter of the conductor, also as a birthday peal to W. R. Drage, the ringer of the 5th.

BROXBOURNE, HERTS.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM SABAN ... .. Treble	GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 3	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 7
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method away from the treble.

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

HENRY CHANCE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 5
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... .. 2	SIDNEY T. HOLT ... .. 6
GEOFFREY LEWIS ... .. 3	JOHN JEFFRIES ... .. 7
ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 4	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. CAMM.

\* First Surprise peal. First Surprise peal as conductor. First Surprise peal on the bells.

EWHRST, SURREY.—On Friday, Sept. 15th, at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, a 720 of Oxford Single Bob: E. Warner 1, W. Tidy 2, W. Denyer 3, A. J. Bull 4, H. Tidy 5, T. W. Denyer (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by the ringers of 1, 3 and 5.

DARESBUURY, CHESHIRE  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr.

JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. Treble	HENRY C. COLLYER ... .. 5
HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 2	WILLIAM BIBBY ... .. 6
FREDERICK HANCOCK ... .. 3	FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 7
ERNEST PALMER ... .. 4	EDWARD JENKINS ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (166). Conducted by EDWARD JENKINS.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

MARKET DEEPING, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE COURT BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 16 cwt.

ARTHUR RIGGALL ... .. Treble	HENRY HOLMES ... .. 4
JOSEPH LONDON ... .. 2	HORACE M. DAY ... .. 5
WILLIAM TILLEY ... .. 3	GEORGE H. WELLS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. M. DAY.

This is believed to be the first peal of Double Court Minor yet rung.

ST. NICHOLAS, GLAMORGAN.  
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 2 six-scores of Stedman, 10 of Canterbury, 10 of Plain Bob and 20 of Grandsire. Tenor 10 cwt.

ERNEST H. HUNT ... .. Treble	FRANK J. BAILEY ... .. 3
WILLIAM B. BISS ... .. 2	LEWIS WRIGHT ... .. 4
FREDERICK J. BAILEY ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by WILLIAM B. BISS.

This was the first peal on the bells. The ringers wish to thank the Rector for use of the bells and his kind hospitality after the peal.

MATHON, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Oct. 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Bob, Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

ANDREW LAYTON ... .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER BOWERS ... .. 4
GEOFFREY LEWIS ... .. 2	DAVID HORNE ... .. 5
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 3	G. JORDAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID HORNE.

This peal was specially arranged as a farewell to Mr. B. G. Abel, who has left Cradley for Ross, where he has taken up a post as schoolmaster. He was a ringer at Cradley for several years. The peal could not be rung at Cradley owing to the unsafe condition of the tower.

RATBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILLIP AND JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Plain Bob and four 720's of Oxford Bob, each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

CHAS. PRIESTNALL ... .. Treble	PERCY INGRAM ... .. 4
JAMES H. SPENCER ... .. 2	TOM CHANTRELL ... .. 5
WILLIAM BALL ... .. 3	CHAS. ALLSOP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES ALLSOP.

First peal by all the band, except the conductor. First peal of Minor as conductor. Rung at the first attempt.

COLLINGTREE, NORTHANTS.—On Thursday, Oct. 5th, at the Church of St. Columbus, for harvest thanksgiving service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 47 mins.: \*G. Hales 1, \*W. Faulkner 2, H. Crow 3, J. Townsend (conductor) 4, F. Newman 5. \* First quarter-peal. All local band except the ringer of the fourth, who belongs to Milton.

HARESFIELD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**  
*On Sunday, Oct. 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE & ST. DUNSTAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
 Tenor 13 cwt.

*GRAHAM GAY ... .. Treble	†WILLIAM JONES... .. 4
*ALBERT ARNOLD... .. 2	THOMAS PRICE ... .. 5
EDWARD PREEDY ... .. 3	*WALTER PRICE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS PRICE.

\* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' First peal as conductor.

NORTON ST. PHILIP, SOMERSET.  
**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Wednesday, Oct. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILLIP AND JAMES,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three 720's of Kent Treble Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob,  
 each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

JESSE FRANCIS ... .. Treble	T. HERVEY BEAMS ... .. 4
*GERALD F. GRIFFIN ... .. 2	CHARLES F. ANDREWS ... .. 5
SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

\* Elected a life-member of the Guild before starting.

GREEN'S NORTON, NORTHANTS.  
**THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, Oct. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

*ALBERT BOOTH ... .. Treble	†GEORGE MANSFIELD... .. 4
*FRED LUCAS ... .. 2	†JOHN M. GRAY ... .. 5
ARTHUR HORNSBY ... .. 3	J. WILFRED SHARP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. W. SHARP.

\* First attempt. † First attempt on an 'inside' bell. ‡ First peal.  
 Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. J. W. Sharp & J. M. Gray.

BRIGHTLING, SUSSEX.  
**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS A BECKET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 13 cwt.

RICHARD B. LAMBERT... .. Treble	REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... .. 4
ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. 2	*EDWARD MILLS ... .. 5
FREDK. J. LAMBERT, JUN. ... .. 3	ALBERT E. EDWARDS... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

\* First peal of Minor. Rung after meeting one short for Triples.  
 It is believed to be the first peal of Minor on the bells.

CHIGWELL ROW, ESSEX.  
**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge, Beverley, York, Durham, London,  
 Lincoln and Wells. Tenor 15½ cwt.

GEORGE HAYDEN... .. Treble	EDWARD D. SMITH ... .. 4
GEORGE L. JOYCE ... .. 2	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
GEORGE A. BLACK ... .. 3	JOHN MOULE... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. MILLER.

COLN ST. ALDWYN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sunday, Oct. 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,*  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE & ST. DUNSTAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

P.S. GEORGE HASTINGS ... Treble	JOHN HOPE ... .. 4
WILLIAM HASTINGS ... .. 2	GEORGE ORCHARD ... .. 5
ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 3	FRANK COLE... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

Rung after meeting short for Triples.

EASTHAM, CHESHIRE.  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
 (WIRRAL BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob,  
 and one of Oxford Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

WALTER J. BATTLE ... .. Treble	*EDWARD W. ELWELL ... .. 4
THOMAS ROGERS ... .. 2	HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. 5
JOHN COOKE ... .. 3	SYDNEY F. BARNES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. LUDKIN.

\* First peal and first attempt. Rung for the festival of SS. Simon and Jude. First peal on the bells since they were recast. The band wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells, and Mr. Shone for the necessary arrangements.

ILMINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.  
**THE FOUKE SHIRES GUILD.**

*On Sunday, Oct. 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with 10 different callings. Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

*HORACE TERRY ... .. Treble	*ERNEST WITHERS ... .. 4
EDWARD PARDEN ... .. 2	WALTER LARGE... .. 5
FRANK DAVIS ... .. 3	*SAMUEL RUSSELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER LARGE.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

BIRMINGHAM.

**THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**

*On Thursday, Oct. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,*  
 IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 1-2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7-8
ALBERT WALKER... .. 3-4	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 9-10
PERCY O. LAFLIN... .. 5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 11-12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

Referee: JAMES GEORGE.

This was the conductor's 200th peal of Stedman.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, Oct. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,*  
 IN THE TOWER OF SS. PETER AND PAUL'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. 1-2	STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... .. 5-6
W. R. JOHN POULSON... .. 3-4	FREDERICK A. POULSON ... .. 7-8

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

Umpire: W. JARVIS.

First peal of Major on handbells by F. A. Poulson, and rung as a birthday compliment to him. J. Poulson's 80th peal and A. Symonds' 200th.

**THE PEAL AT EDINBURGH.**

Bards have sung that 'All good gifts around us come from Heaven above,' but the writer never realised until last Saturday the time of the year at which good gifts are sent. On arriving, however, in St. Cuthbert's belfry, 'neath the shadow of Edinburgh's glorious castle, no one could have failed to realise that in and close around the month of October was the appointed time for the arrival of the best of 'good gifts.' In the first place the peal was a beauty from start to finish, the second of Bob Major to be rung in Scotland; 'twas the first peal of Major in Scotland in which a lady has taken part. It was the first peal of Major by the treble ringer. It was Miss Whitson's first peal and first attempt, and great credit is due to her for the masterly style in which she finished her work. It was rung as a birthday compliment to the following five members of the band and two old friends: Miss Whitson (October 18th), Messrs. Astley (Oct. 21st), Cleveland-Ellis (Nov. 6th), Heathcote (Oct. 18th), Sykes (Oct. 24th). And to Joseph Broadley (Oct. 25th), of Bradford, and ex-Sergt. Joseph Williams, of Newent. So who will say that October is not the season for good gifts? CHANTICLEER.

## CERTIFICATES OF MERIT.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Although I have given very little assistance myself I have always considered your correspondence column to be one of the most interesting (occasionally amusing) features of your journal, and as a member of the Sub-Committee of the Midland Counties Association dealing with the above matter, the letters from Mr. Willson and Mr. Vallance are appreciated by at least one of your subscribers.

The suggestions by Mr. Willson will certainly have to be very carefully considered, while the fact of such an experienced ringer having put forward a similar idea previously will give the committee a certain amount of confidence they are not chasing a shadow.

Mr. Vallance goes further, and actually appears to have a concrete plan in his head!

I might repeat here that the committee of the M.C.A. was appointed to consider whether the matter is 'possible' or 'desirable'; therefore I am sure any further suggestions of any nature will be welcomed by those interested.—Yours faithfully,

A. C. WRIGHT.

## 'AN UNFAIR STATEMENT.'

Dear Sir,—In the current issue of 'our paper,' under the heading 'Certificates of Merit,' appears a letter from Mr. Wm. Willson, in which he says: 'A ringer may boast of his 200 or 300 peals, largely of Doubles and Minor—the whole bunch of which would not equal a solitary peal of London'—a most unfair statement, and one which cannot be allowed to pass without comment.

I take it that the writer is one of those who, on coming to the end of 'Eight Bell Peals,' passes on to the reading matter, considering 'Six and Five Bell Peals' as being of no consequence. I will, therefore, refer him to the leader of June 14th, 1912, and to the peal list for December 2nd, 1921, page 734, in which is recorded a peal of Treble Bob Minor in 24 methods, in seven true extents, and would ask him to find out its value in points, as allowed by the Central Council, then compare it with the points allowed for London.

What encouragement is it to Minor ringers who, doing their best with the bells at their disposal, have their efforts belittled, and who again, may I ask, is entitled to a 'Certificate of Merit,' he who is nearly always ringing with a good band or he who goes about the countryside giving a helping hand and willing to stand in with a band of novices, giving encouragement rather than discouragement?

—Yours very truly,

28, Grove Street, Hazel Grove.

JOHN P. FIDLER.

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

BISHOP OF COVENTRY AS PATRON.

The quarterly meeting held at Nuneaton on Saturday, October 21st, may be classed as one of the most successful in the history of the Guild. Members were present from Berkswell, Chilvers Coton, Coventry, Croft, Exhall, Grendon, Hinckley, Leicester, Lichfield, Stoke-in-Coventry, Stoke Golding, Stoney Stanton, and the local band. The bells were raised shortly after 3 o'clock, and were soon sending forth their music in Stedman Triples. They were kept going in various methods until 5 o'clock, when the Guild's service was taken in church by the Rev. Stanley Morris, curate of Attleborough, and Vicar-designate of Wolvey, who also gave the address. The Rev. H. B. Dawson, curate of Nuneaton, kindly presided at the organ.

After service a meat tea was provided in the Parish Room by kind permission of the Vicar (Canon Deed), between 20 and 30 sitting down, including the president, Canon H. C. A. Back, M.A. The president being unable to stay for the business meeting the chair was occupied by the Ringing Master (Mr. A. Roberts).—The Hon. Secretary read a letter from the new Bishop of Coventry, in which he said: 'I shall have much happiness in acting as patron of the Guild of Church Bell ringers, and hope that the Guild is very flourishing. Anything I can do to serve it will be a pleasure.'

Leamington was selected for the next quarterly meeting, in January, 1923.—Three new members were duly elected.

The Chairman moved a hearty vote of thanks to Canon Deed for the use of the bells and the Parish Room, to the Rev. Stanley Morris for officiating at the service and for his able address, also to the Rev. H. B. Dawson for presiding at the organ.—Mr. H. Argyie, senr., seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.—The Rev. S. Morris replied.

A vote of thanks was accorded the ladies for their kind assistance at the tea.

The tower was again visited, and the ringing was exceptionally good, every method attempted being successfully brought round. The touches included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Duffield, Double Norwich and Bob Major, London, Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise.

A convivial hour was spent in the Queen's Head Hotel, during which the handbells were brought into use in various methods, while the tune ringing by Messrs. H. Briggs and C. H. Webb was much enjoyed. Thus concluded a most successful meeting and friendly gathering.

JOHN TAYLOR &amp; Co.,

LOUGHBOROUGH.

THE

LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and**

**Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD**

**LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

'Name' peals are not uncommon in these days, but it is interesting to recall the first of these, which was rung by the Royal Cumberland Youths at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on Saturday, Nov. 3rd, 1796. The ringers were all Williams, and it is surprising to find that in those far-off days, when facilities of locomotion were so limited, that eleven ringers boasting all the same Christian name could be got together.

The peal was a 5,129 Grandsire Caters, and it is recorded in the tower as 'the first peal ever rung on any bells by any society, the members being all of one name.' The band was William Whitehead treble, William Richardson 2, William West 3, William Stephens 4, William Gibson 5, William Shipway 6, William Brown 7, William Court 8, William Tyler 9, William Castle and William Rigby tenor. The peal was called by William Shipway.

This number of ringers of one Christian name in a peal has only been once exceeded, and that was when twelve Johns rang a peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Giles', Cripplegate.

On November 5th, 1737, as recorded in the annals of St. Peter's, Sheffield, 'was rung on eight bells at this church a peal of 6,048 changes of that intricate method called Cambridge Surprise in 4 hours and 18 minutes, by the following persons, viz.: R. Owen treble, G. E. O. Wylde 2nd, Samuel Willey 3rd, William Lee 4th, Charles Fletcher 5th, John Hill 6th, Samuel Dutton 7th, Thomas Babb 8th. The weight of tenor 33 cwt. The above is the first peal of this method ever rung in the country.'

This composition has not been handed down to us, but it is beyond question, we believe, that the peal was a false one. In any event, the ringers evidently did not know of a 5,152 Cambridge which had been rung in 1783, at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, London.

The first peal of Superlative was also rung on November 5th. This was at Huddersfield in the year 1821.

We have always looked upon Mrs. George Williams as the first lady peal ringer, for 30 years ago she rang the trebles to a handbell peal of Grandsire Triples. The 'Bury Post' of Nov. 5th, 1788, however, records a handbell peal of Bob Major rung at Nowton, in which the tenor was rung by a girl of 13. We have no further information than this, and wonder whether any of our readers can give us further particulars.

On November 8th, 1888, a peal of 6,720 London Surprise Major, then the longest length in the method, was rung at Bury-on-Trent.

The first eight-bell peal at Coddensham was rung on November 9th, 1742. And on the same date in the year 1800 the first peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major in Liverpool was rung.

The ringer of the 7th, in the peal of Double Norwich at Oswaldtwistle was William Barnes, not William Riling, as printed.

At an informal meeting held recently, the members of the belfry of St. John the Baptist, Hillingdon, presented Miss N. G. Williams (upon her leaving Hillingdon to take up her residence near Bath) with an ivory-fitted dressing case, as a token of appreciation of her work as local secretary.

In connection with the opening of the peal of twelve at Taunton it is interesting to recall that the former ring of ten was dedicated on June 25th, 1885. The ringing for the service was carried out by a specially selected band, and after a luncheon in the City Buildings the first peal of Caters in Somerset was rung on the bells.

The band contained some well-known names, being made up of Joseph Field 1, Thomas Payne 2, A. F. M. Custance 3, William Finch 4, Samuel Hounslow 5, Charles Hounslow 6, Rev. F. E. Robinson 7, Rev. C. D. P. Davies 8, James W. Washbrook 9, William Wakelin 10. The peal was composed by Henry Johnson, and conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson. It was rung under the auspices of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

The inquiry was made in our column a fortnight ago for any instance of a ringer taking part in his own golden wedding peal, as Mr. Jos. Gregory, of Deane, Bolton, had done on Sept. 25th. Mr. R. C. Loveday, of Thrapston, Northants, writes that Mr. W. J. Gilbert rang the 3rd to a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at Raunds on February 25th last, in celebration of his golden wedding.

## AN APPRECIATED GIFT.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—On Saturday morning last the postgirl brought to my door a box containing a miniature set of mining tools, each part being stamped with the initials J.F., a letter enclosed and signed 'Ireneus Pistor.' I wish sincerely to thank the donor of the gift, who still wishes to remain in the dark, and shall prize them in remembrance of our happy day in the Midlands. When I arrange another such outing I will give 'Ireneus Pistor' Iko-cum-Sheffield an invitation to join us.

Bolsover.

J. F.

## CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL CENTENARY COMMEMORATION OF AN INTERESTING EVENT.

The centenary of the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal did not pass unmarked on Thursday of last week, and it is pleasing to record that two attempts were made for the same composition as that rung at All Saints', Wakefield, on October 26th, 1822.

At All Saints', Worcester, the peal was successful, but at St. Stephen's, Bristol, the attempt failed through a broken rope. The same composition was being rung, but unfortunately one lead after the first part and the treble rope came down and put an end to the ringing. However, as our correspondent remarks, 'it is better to have tried and lost than never to have tried at all,' especially as the failure was not due to the ringers.

The peal of a century ago is recorded in the belfry records at All Saints', Wakefield, as follows:—

On Saturday, the 26th day of October, 1822, nine of the society of ringers of this church, with Joseph Tebbs, of Leeds, succeeded in accomplishing a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal, comprising 5,400 changes, in three hours and thirty-five minutes, being the first peal ever attempted in the above difficult method by any set of men in the kingdom, which will be a standing laurel for the society for ages to come. The above peal was composed and conducted by William Woodhead. The band as stationed:—

Mark Blackburn	Treble	James Gill	Sixth
Joseph Sugden	Second	Joseph Gill	Seventh
Joseph Tebbs	Third	Thomas Netherwood	Eighth
George Pickering	Fourth	William Woodhead	Ninth
John Hall	Fifth	Robert Collett	Tenor

The peal	54632
	36245
	42563
	65324
	42356 First part end.
	34256 Second part end.
	23456 Third part end.

## THOSE DELUSIONS.—OCTOBER BREWED.

Dear Editor,—First of all let me hasten to assure good Tom O'Kent that I labour under no delusions, though I will admit that often have I tarried at ye hostel known as Ye Tiger hard by ye Common of Chiselhurst to such a late hour and to such goode purpose, that goode Mistress Peppery has in ye past, of ever blessed memory, given me so many pieces of her minde that I marvel at ye bounteous store of this product that goode Dame Nature did bestow upon ye best of spouses, not to mention ye generosity of ye Goode Mistress in such matters on my endeavouring to convince her that I had passed ye evening in ringing with Good Tom O'Kent and his merrie men. Then did ye goode woman also say that I suffered from delusions mixed with a generous proportion of Nut Brown (oh no, not shag). However, to our muttons. Good Tom O'Kiddor did claim that he was the first father to ring a peal of London with his son, Good Tom O'Kent, or his son, did reply that they had done that years ago, and like many more of your correspondents they omitted to mention that they knew it had been done before. So leaving people to infer that they laid a prior claim. I passed the remark on reading this letter that I was very surprised at Tom for omitting to give the honour to the Banister family, as I knew he had rung under the peal board in Woolwich Tower, which records the second peal of London ever rung. He must have seen it scores of times. I rang with him there a quarter of a century ago; and rang my first of Stedman and London under that 'vermillion' board.

I did note with pleasure ye varied suggestions for certificates for various stages of proficiency in ringing, and did discuss ye subject with goode Mistress Peppery, who did, as is her wont, brighten up my bemused ideas and did point out to me that ye goode Editor did provide us, week by week, with ye best of diplomas as to our respective merits, and did sound ye loud trumpet at every step forward which we took in ye art, even unto ye course on handbells over our mortal remains, though ye goode woman does oft affirm that 'ruins' will more fitly describe mine. And when I did suggest that as an added attraction 'wound stripes' should be granted for tough jobs, like Matfelon at Whitechapel, and a torpedo badge to indicate when one had shipwrecked a peal by having to 'give it up,' ye goode woman did remind me that I generally got shipwrecked coming home from a peal, so that I should never be able to wear 'em all at once. However, if ever I arrive home with another certificate, smash it o'er my pate she swears she will.

I did then refer to ye discourse on Q-sets, and did read ye problem of ye cat and its tails at which ye goode woman did say that, even were it true, ye cat was short on change compared with ye ringing fraternity after a peal, and she did affirm that she was in agreement with good Mr. Trollope when he had said, some time gone, that no one had a right to claim anything as his own, and that the house that Jack built theory was very good. But even then the brickmakers would have been hard hit as method builders if someone had not invented some clay.—Yours sincerely,

ONCE A BEGINNER (IN DELUSIONS).

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

### ALLIANCE WITH NEW GUILDFORD DIOCESE DISCUSSED.

A meeting of the Central district was held at Clapham Park on Saturday last, when ringing on the fine peal of eight was much enjoyed by a representative gathering from the towers in the district, including members from Ewell, Leatherhead, Croydon, Streatham, Mitcham, Beddington, and the local band, which includes several ladies, who are making good progress.

At the business meeting after tea, the Master, Mr. J. D. Drewett, presided, and among other business, the matter of an alliance with the new Guildford Diocese was discussed, and a resolution carried approving the same, and inviting the old Winchester members to form a Guildford district of the Surrey Association.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar and the lady members who had arranged the tea, was carried unanimously.

In connection with the question of the amalgamation of the towers in the new diocese of Guildford with the Surrey Association, we understand the proposal originated out of a communication received from the secretary of the Guildford District of the Winchester Guild, in which towers now in the Guildford District but actively affiliated to the Surrey Association, were invited to a meeting to consider—

(1) Whether it is advisable to form a new Guild for the new Diocese of Guildford, or

(2) To try and come to an arrangement with the Surrey Association and combine the two ringing societies in Surrey to form one Guild or Association with an alteration of name, say, the Guildford Diocesan Guild and Surrey Association, or vice versa.

(3) Any question which may arise from the above.

The discussion on the question at the Surrey meeting was taken part in by, among others, members from Leatherhead and Ewell, two of the towers which would be affected, as they are at present in the Winchester Diocese.

The members welcomed the proposed alliance, but could see no reason for an alteration of title. They, however, invited the Guildford members to form a Guildford district of the Surrey Association.

The towers in the Central District of the Surrey Association which are also in the Winchester Diocese are Dorking, Leatherhead, Ashstead, St. Martin's and Christ Church, Epsom, Ewell, Ranmore and Banstead.

There are other towers in West Surrey similarly situated.

Consideration of the subject between the Mid-Surrey towers and the Guildford District of the Winchester Guild is to take place at a meeting at Leatherhead to-morrow.

## ARMISTICE DAY.

To the Editor.

Sir,—May I again appeal to my fellow ringers throughout the country to do their best to carry on and extend the good work begun so well last year on Armistice Day in the ringing of muffled or half-muffled peals and touches?

No doubt there will be many peals rung this year, but I do hope that if peal ringers are drawn from other places it will be so arranged that their own towers are not neglected.

This is an occasion on which we as a body can show our gratitude for all our lads did for us, and in doing so, I feel sure we are expressing the gratitude of the vast majority of our fellow countrymen. It will also show that we still 'remember' those we loved and lost.—Yours faithfully,

Wellingborough.

F. BARBER.

## THE PEAL AT APPLEDORE.

Of the band in the peal at Appledore, Mr. and Mrs. H. Baker and Mr. B. Baker reside at Frittenden in the Tonbridge District of the Kent County Association, and Mrs. Baker is the first resident lady ringer in that district to ring a peal. Miss Thomas comes from Mersham, Messrs. Tribe and Burgess from Tenterden, Johnson from Appledore and Billenness from Hawkhurst. The peal was rung on the 38th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Johnson, Lushington, Appledore. Mr. Alfred Johnson is captain of the Appledore ringers. The peal was also rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. George Johnson, whose birthday was on the previous Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson kindly entertained the company to tea and supper at their residence, Veness House, Appledore.

## BROKEN ROPE SPOILS MEMORIAL PEAL.

On the occasion of the opening of the Lych Gate War Memorial and unveiling of the roll of honour at Crofton Parish Church, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, an attempt was made to ring a muffled peal of Minor, the methods comprising Kent, Killamarsh, City Delight, Arnold's Victory and London Scholars. During the ringing of the last method, the breaking of the fourth rope brought the attempt to a sudden termination, which was the more unfortunate, as the band had got almost to the end of the complete peal. The ringers were: W. Green 1, J. T. Chamberlaine 2, G. Hunt 3, T. Hilton 4, A. Pantlier (conductor) 5, A. Gill 6.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

# THE SHORT-COURSE SYSTEM.

By JOSEPH W. PARKER.

It is generally admitted that, in the case of methods with a plain hunt or a treble-bob hunt, the plain course is too long. There is too great an interval between the course-ends, and, with two or three exceptions, leads can, with advantage, be left out. There is nothing new in this idea, for peals of Bob Major with bobs at 5th's and 4th's perfectly illustrate the principle of shortening the course.

Such peals are not popular because, being regarded as parting the tenors, their good properties are overlooked.

The present article is to draw attention to the fact that Plain Bob and other methods, from Minor to Maximus, with a shortened course, may be regarded as a different system, i.e., methods with three hunts.

Take any method which has 32 after the treble at the first hand-stroke lead-end, say, as in Bob Major, 13254768. If eight's place is made the bells come round, if second's place is made it is Plain Bob. If, however, fourth's place is made, the result is 12357486, giving a method with three hunts coming home every lead, and five working bells retaining their coursing order. Thus, in effect, five bob-leads of a method become a plain course of the short-course variation, and, to obtain peals, second's place must be substituted for fourth's at a bob, and a plain lead becomes a bob lead.

To put it more clearly, it is better in such methods to learn the bob work as part of the course, and when a call is made, to do the work of a plain lead.

Composition, of course, must meet the need of such altered conditions.

In Plain Bob the three hunts all do the same work, but in others,

## CLENT SHORT COURSE MAJOR, 5040.

	23456	M	W	H
12345678				
21436587				
24135678	54326	—	—	—
42316587	63425	—	—	—
24361857	24365	—	—	—
42638175	43265	—	—	—
24368715	32465	—	—	—
23467851	64235	—	—	—
32647581	42635	—	—	—
36245718	36245	—	—	—
63425178	62345	—	—	—
36241587	23645	—	—	—
63214857				
36128475	46325	—	—	—
31624857	53624	—	—	—
13268475	36524	—	—	—
	25634	—	—	—
12364857	56234	—	—	—
	62534	—	—	—
Bob.	53264	—	—	—
13268475	52364	—	—	—
13624857	23564	—	—	—
Single.	65324	—	—	—
13268475	43526	—	—	—
13264857	35428	—	—	—
	24536	—	—	—
	45236	—	—	—
	52436	—	—	—
	34256	—	—	—
	42356	—	—	—
	53246	—	—	—
	32546	—	—	—
	25346	—	—	—
	23546	S.	—	—

Twice repeat the first 10 courses, followed by the last 12 courses.

while the Treble or Primary hunt will always have a plain or Treble Bob path, the work of the two secondary hunts may vary from this, the work of these two always being a reflection one of the other.

It is not necessary, however, to confine the scope of the system to existing methods, or to the first lead end 12357486, for the short-course of Plain Bob has as its lead-ends the following:—

12357486  
12378564  
12366745  
12364857  
12345678

Then the first lead-end of a short-course method may be any one of the first four without sacrificing regularity. Further, it is quite legitimate to vary the work of the secondary hunts from that of the treble; as a matter of fact, unless two bells lie still behind, it must be done in the case of Treble Bob.

This system gives to the Exercise the means of increased interest in ringing, as the secondary hunts vary the monotony of a method, a greater number of the more musical changes may be obtained in a touch or peal, and there is further scope for method building and composition.

The methods and peals appended show in some measure what may be done in this direction.

It must be remembered that in ringing existing Treble Bob methods on this plan the proof is varied, and a method with a clear proof scale may be false if the course is shortened.

## DUNELM SHORT COURSE SURPRISE 5440.

	23456	W	M	H
12345678				
21436587	34256	—	—	—
12463857	62534	—	—	—
21648375	25634	—	—	—
26184357	56234	—	—	—
62813475	32654	—	—	—
26183745	26354	—	—	—
62817354	43526	—	—	—
26871345	35426	—	—	—
62783154	54326	—	—	—
67281345	63425	—	—	—
76823154	34625	—	—	—
67283514	46325	—	—	—
62758541	23645	—	—	—
26375814	36245	—	—	—
23657841	62345	—	—	—
32675461	43265	—	—	—
36257418	32465	—	—	—
63524781				
65342718				
56432178				
65341287				
63542178				
36451287				
63415278				
36142587				
63412857				
36148275				
31684257				
13862475				
31826745				
13287654				
12366745				
Bob.				
13287654				
13826745				

Repeated.

Reduced to 5120 by omitting 3 bracketed bobs at H in one part.

## HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The September meeting of the Northern District was held at Royston on Saturday, Sept. 30th. A short service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. J. Harrison), who gave a very interesting address. Tea, followed by business meeting, took place at an adjoining restaurant.

The Vicar presided, one new member was elected, and the usual vote of thanks was accorded.

The meeting was honoured with the presence of the President of the Association, who unfortunately arrived too late to occupy the chair. Ringing both on the tower bells and handbells ranged from Cambridge Surprise to Plain Bob, and was kept going until 9 p.m.

The church stands almost at the junction of two Roman roads, among the chalk downs. The one is called Ermin Street, and the other Icknield Way, which begins about Weymouth, and terminates on the Norfolk coast. The church has much of the 13th century architecture, and adjoins the remains of a priory which was founded in the 12th century.

## EXCURSION TO WINDSOR.

On Saturday, Sept. 23rd, the progressive little band of ringers at Purley, Berks, together with the choir and clerk, held their annual outing, accompanied by the Rev. Mrs. and Miss Pring. Starting by charabanc at 11.30, in fine weather, they proceeded to Windsor, via Reading, Wokingham, Bracknell and Ascot. On reaching Windsor Great Park a halt was made, and luncheon partaken of and thoroughly enjoyed.

Resuming the journey, Windsor was reached at 1.30. An interesting and most instructive visit was made to the Castle. Unfortunately for the ringers, owing to important business, one of the band was unable to be present, so that ringing anticipated could not be indulged in. The homeward journey was made via Slough, Maidenhead, Twyford and Reading, Purley being safely reached at 8.15. Many thanks are due to the Rev. and Mrs. Pring, Major and Mrs. McAndrews, and other local ladies and gentlemen for their generosity in providing for such an ideal outing, which was greatly appreciated by all.



# A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**BOURNEMOUTH.**—For evensong, on Sunday, October 29th, at St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): Miss Mannings 1, G. Williams (conductor) 2, A. Medd 3, H. Goodenough 4, C. Forfitt 5, E. Waters 6, J. Bennett 7, C. Loveall 8. First quarter-peal by the ringers of treble, 3rd and 4th.

**SALTBURN-BY-THE-SEA.**—On Sunday, October 29th, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: G. Kemball 1, J. Appleton 2, G. A. Peck 3, F. Barber 4, G. Duncan 5, J. Wedgewood 6, R. Laughton (conductor) 7, C. Watson 8. First 504 in the method by entirely local band, and by ringers of 1st and 4th.

**OXTON, BIRKENHEAD.**—On Sunday afternoon, Oct. 29th, at St. Saviour's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): R. Barnes (first quarter-peal of Stedman) 1, W. J. Battle 2, S. F. Barnes 3, H. Brocklebank 4, C. Coventry 5, J. Evans 6, H. Ludkin 7, S. Moston 8. Rung for a service held in connection with the Masonic Order.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Oct. 8th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 48 mins.: \*A. H. Harding 1, F. W. Goodfellow 2, \*J. E. Churchill 3, A. M. Stacey 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, \*J. W. Leonard 6, H. J. Hunnisett 7, L. H. Page (conductor) 8. \* First quarter-peal of Bob Major. † Hails from West Malling, Kent.

**FULHAM.**—At the Church of All Saints, on Sunday, Oct. 8th, for evening service, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: J. W. Driver 1, H. A. Folkard 2, H. Belcher 3, A. Cutnor 4, G. C. Iles 5, F. H. Crook (first quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters) 6, E. F. Cole 7, A. Harding 8, F. Skevington (first of Grandsire Caters as conductor) 9, G. F. Edwards 10.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At Great St. Andrew's Church, for evening service, on Sunday, Oct. 8th, 504 Stedman Triples: W. B. Kempton 1, York Green 2, F. E. Kempton 3, E. G. Hibbins 4, A. T. Chenery 5, W. Welch 6, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 7, T. R. Dennis 8.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, for the harvest thanksgiving, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: Mrs. H. Baker 1, H. Want 2, W. A. Penfold (first quarter inside) 3, J. Blake 4, H. Baker 5, A. H. Weiland 6, G. Billenness (conductor) 7, F. Chapman 8. Mr. and Mrs. Baker are from Eritenden; H. Want from Tenterden, and the rest local.

**FAIRFORD, GLOS.**—At St. Mary's Church, on October 8th, for morning service, harvest festival, 720 Bob Minor, with tenors covering: G. Law 1, B. Guy 2, H. Acock 3, G. J. Winter 4, G. W. Hastings 5, J. Hope (conductor) 6, J. Smith 7, A. Morse 8. First 720 of Minor for all except the conductor.

**CAERPHILLY, GLAM.**—At St. Martin's Church, for harvest festival, on Sunday, October 8th, for morning service, 1,008 Bob Major, in 45 mins.: W. Pike 1, F. Boucher 2, E. Dare 3, P. Jones 4, A. Addicott 5, F. Stephens 6, W. Dare 7, G. Cooke (composer and conductor) 8.—For evening service, two touches Stedman Triples and one of Grandsire.—For the services on the preceding Wednesday, three 420's Stedman Triples, conducted by A. Addicott.

**GREAT CHART, KENT.**—On Sunday morning, October 8th, for the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 45 mins.: A. Mills (Kingsnorth) 1, F. Hodges (Kingsnorth) 2, A. Kay (Ashford) 3, G. J. Youngs (Boughton Aluph) 4, F. Good (conductor), Charing, 5, J. Skinner (Great Chart) 6.

**LEE, KENT.**—At St. Margaret's Church, on Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, for the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 44 mins.: C. Pinnigar 1, W. G. Pinnigar (conductor second half) 2, H. James 3, C. Payne 4, J. Lawson 5, A. Hoile 6, H. Brasher (conductor first half) 7, J. Dafters 8. Rung with 4, 6, 8, behind.

**WICKEN, NORTANTS.**—On Sunday, October 8th, for harvest festival services, a 720 Double Court, for 11 a.m., and 720 Cambridge Surprise for evensong: H. Birdsey, F. Case, L. Smith, A. J. Green, T. Roberts, T. Read. Both conducted by T. Read.

**SHREWSBURY.**—On Sunday, October 8th, at St. Chad's Church, for harvest festival service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes), in 58 mins.: J. Griffiths 1, J. E. Lilley 2, G. Byolin 3, W. B. Kynaston 4, R. Polo 5, A. Short 6, T. Pritchard 7, W. Fairhead 8, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 9, J. Evans and D. James 10. Composed by J. George. First quarter-peal of Calers for 4 and 6.—For morning service, 350 Grandsire Triples: F. Lycett 1, J. Griffiths 2, G. Byolin 3, J. E. Lilley 4, A. Griffiths 5, T. Butler, senr. (Ellesmere), 6, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 7, D. James 8. Also touches of Stedman Caters, with Messrs. Boucher, Kynaston, Short, Fairhead and Evans for Lycett, A. Griffiths and James.

**DOVER, KENT.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for the evening service, at St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins.: J. Lockwood's variation: R. H. Stevens 1, C.

R. Walker 2, O. E. V. Wilkins 3, O. Turner (conductor) 4, E. L. Miles 5, H. Whitehead 6, F. Fairhead 7, G. Godfrey 8. Mr. F. Fairhead is from the Canterbury Cathedral band, and the touch was also rung as a welcome to Mr. O. E. V. Wilkins, who has recently been transferred to the Immigration Staff at Dover.

**WEST EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Stephen's Church, on Sunday morning, Oct. 8th, for harvest thanksgiving, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 41 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr., 1, E. J. Walsom 2, E. Harris 3, G. E. Harbour 4, F. Skevington 5, C. Edwards 6, H. Folkard 7, H. Belcher (conductor) 8.

**PORTSEA, HANTS.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for evensong, at St. Mary's, 504 Stedman Triples: F. W. Rogers 1, T. R. Taylor 2, C. Groves 3, P. W. Cave (conductor) 4, W. Tate 5, R. J. Stone 6, E. J. Harding, junr., 7, E. J. Harding, senr., 8. Also 224 Kent Treble Bob with same band.

**WHITTLE, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, October 8th, for dedication of harvest festival, evening service, 1,280 Double Norwich, by J. George: W. Emery 1, F. W. Edwards 2, T. Lincoln 3, F. G. Radley 4, H. Head 5, H. W. Kirton 6, W. Lincoln (conductor) 7, A. Head 8.

**CAPENHURST, CHESHIRE.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: H. Ludkin 1, J. Cooke 2, R. Maddock 3, E. Elwell 4, J. Maddock 5, S. F. Barnes 6. First 720 in the method by 3, 4 and 5.

**WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: P. W. Norton 1, B. Foskett 2, W. G. Mathews 3, C. Lankester 4, R. Watts 5, H. Kilby (conductor) 6, G. M. Kilby 7, T. Newman 8.

**FLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, at the Parish Church, for harvest festival service, 720 Bob Minor: H. Baker 1, Rev. T. G. Devitt 2, H. Waltham 3, F. Lightning 4, F. Porter 5, J. B. Hallifax (conductor) 6. First 720 by the ringers of 1 and 3.

**GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, October 8th, for morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: G. H. Neville 1, H. B. Gardner 2, J. D. Buckingham 3, C. J. Mann 4, A. C. Langford 5, E. P. Buckingham (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Cambridge Surprise: A. C. Langford 1, H. B. Gardner 2, J. D. Buckingham 3, C. J. Mann 4, G. H. Neville (conductor) 5, E. P. Buckingham 6.

**LIVERPOOL.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,299 changes): W. Davies 1, T. Hammond, junr., 2, W. Fisher 3, E. Jones 4, \*E. Bumpley 5, G. R. Newton 6, J. Martin (conductor) 7, T. W. Gilmour 8, E. Counce 9. \*J. Owen 10. † First quarter-peal in the method.

**HERSHAM, SURREY.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,368 changes), for harvest festival: G. Edser 1, Miss N. Shorter 2, W. A. Woodrow 3, J. Lovetridge 4, A. Woodrow 5, F. J. Shepherd (conductor) 6, M. Smithers 7, W. Shorter 8.

**IWERNE COURTNEY, DORSET.**—Salisbury Diocesan Guild.—At St. Mary's Church, after the harvest festival service, on Sunday evening, October 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 43 mins.: A. W. Harvey 1, B. Newman 2, A. Hart 3, H. Martin 4, F. Arnold (conductor) 5, W. Wilkins 6.

**HAYES, KENT.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for harvest festival, for morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: J. Grandfield 1, H. Reader 2, O. Gilbey (conductor) 3, G. Harwood 4, H. Brown 5, J. Brown 6.—For evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: J. Grandfield 1, O. Gilbey 2, J. Hack 3, G. Harwood 4, H. Brown (conductor) 5, F. Keech 6. Also 240 Kent, conducted by H. Reader.

**CIRENCESTER, GLOS.**—At Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, on Sunday, Sept. 17th, 1,302 Grandsire Triples, the first quarter of Holt's Original: H. Lewis 1, W. G. Cook 2, F. J. Lewis 3, W. Hayward 4, J. Butler (conductor) 5, G. Dore 6, H. C. Bond 7, J. Hayward 8.—On Sunday, October 29th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): F. W. Bond 1, W. G. Cook 2, F. J. Lewis (conductor) 3, W. C. Cuss 4, J. Butler 5, H. C. Bond 6, V. R. Williams 7, J. Hayward 8.

**STANTON, SHROPSHIRE.**—As a welcome home from India, for Capt. Hayes, 720 Grandsire Doubles (six different callings): H. Edwards 1, E. Turner 2, A. White 3, W. Lycett 4, W. Clay (conductor) 5, A. Turner 6.—On Sept. 28th, 360 Grandsire Minor: \*H. Clay 1, \*H. Turner 2, \*W. Lycett 3, \*S. France 4, \*W. Clay 5, E. V. Rodenhurst (conductor) 6. † First 360 of Minor. ‡ First 360 of Minor on a bob bell.

**PRIESTBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**—On Sunday evening, October 1st, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 42 mins.: J. Major 1, H. Halford 2, H. Newman 3, C. Pockett 4, T. Pendry 5, C. Tovey 6, J. J. Causon (conductor) 7, J. Harrison 8.

**CHEDISTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, October 1st, for afternoon service, at St. Mary's Church, 720 Bob Minor, and 120 Kent Treble Bob Minor: L. Hammond 1, F. C. Lambert (conductor) 2, F. Peck 3, A. H. Took 4, T. Crane 5, W. Kerrison 6.

**ST. MARTIN'S SOCIETY, LEICESTER.****ENJOYABLE VISIT TO KETTERING.**

The annual outing of the above society for 1922, on October 7th, will rank as one of the most successful and enjoyable of a long series. The venue selected was Kettering, and shortly after 2 p.m. the party of about twenty ringers and friends reached that town after a commonplace and uneventful journey by train. Met by Mr. D. Nicholls, a stalwart of the Kettering band, a bus was found patiently waiting their convenience, and trucks were made for Rothwell, where the magnificent peal of eight were soon raised and set going to the tune of London, followed by Bristol, Cambridge, Superlative, Double Norwich and Stedman Triples, all of which were successfully brought round. Much interest was also displayed in the fine church, with its famous crypt. The bells are a splendid ring by Taylor, and the tone and go leave nothing to be desired. Reluctantly, Rothwell was left for the return journey to Kettering, where ample justice was done to a fine repast. Afterwards the bells of the Parish Church were taken possession of, and Stedman Caters and Cambridge Royal were negotiated in good style, several of the local ringers taking part. This peal of ten are in fine going order, but the trebles cannot be heard to advantage in the belfry, a point possibly more noticeable to strangers.

The visitors were doubly fortunate in having a private room reserved for their comfort, after ringing had ceased at the church, and a most enjoyable evening was spent, the handbells being requisitioned both for change and tune ringing, in which Mr. S. Cotton and Mr. G. Cleal, of silent handbell peal fame, once again gave of their best. In the vocal part of the entertainment several old artists, after a time, came 'out of their shell' with distinction. The party were very pleased to welcome Mr. R. Richardson after a peal exploit in the neighbourhood.

Mr. Nicholls expressed the great pleasure it had given the ringers of the district to receive the visit of the Leicester ringers, and he paid a high tribute to the quality of the ringing, in which the young mascot of 14 acquitted himself with great credit, accomplishing successfully London, Bristol and Cambridge Royal.

The very best thanks of the visitors are due to Mr. Nicholls for the thorough arrangements he had made for the comfort and entertainment of the visitors, which it is hoped to reciprocate when a fresh peal is obtained at St. Martin's, the present condition of the bells being such that no enjoyment would be derived by any visitors. It was a real pleasure to have the opportunity of ringing on bells in such direct contrast. Thanks are due to the Vicars of Rothwell and Kettering for giving the Leicester ringers this opportunity.

Ten o'clock arrived all too soon, and the party leisurely made their way to the station to catch (according to the secretary) the 10.50 p.m. to Leicester. On reaching the station a few minutes prior to 10.30 it was found that the last train was due out at 10.30, the 10.50 being a train that set forth from Leicester! He had evidently enjoyed himself to the extent of desiring to commence the whole proceedings over again. Anyhow there were no stragglers, and all managed to get safely aboard, unanimous in their expression of having had a good day.

**A PEAL AT ST. BRIAVEL'S, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**

On Saturday, October 14th, members of the Hereford Guild made their second journey to St. Briavel's, Glos., in search of a peal of Grandsire Triples. The Bridstow detachment cycled to Ruardean, where they picked up four of the local band, including two Bishops (without gaiters). The transport had been arranged for by Ex-Sergt. Williams, whose absence, through illness, was keenly regretted. On the party being loaded up in the motor it was observed that none of the company on this occasion had their hair standing up. Being a beautiful autumn day, the journey through the Forest of Dean was much admired. As the roads here have some very sharp right-angled turns they required considerable skill and care on the part of our Jehu. St. Briavel's stands on a hill, and is a notable landmark from the railway between Monmouth and Tintern. The peal of eight are the easiest going bells to be found in a day's journey. After commandeering the services of Mr. Coates, the local foreman, the bells were set going in good style, the half-way single coming up in 1 hr. 23 minutes. All went well until the last part, when some of the band 'got the wind up,' and caused trouble. However, the 'skipper' rose to the occasion, and kept a firm hand—or voice—with the result that disaster was averted, although some had visions of a third journey to St. Briavel's.

One wished that these bells were at Bridstow, but, after all, reflected that perhaps it was best for them to pursue their steady work of call changes, Grandsire Doubles, etc., as at Bridstow they might get twisted about in Treble Bob, and all sorts of Major methods, perhaps even in that abomination—London Surprise. So we said good-bye to them.

The return journey suffered somewhat from the fact that on a previous journey 'Jack' had used up all his store of anecdotes, but in spite of this drawback the Bell Hotel was safely reached, and the 'ecclesiastics' duly deposited.

W. P.

**EALING RINGERS' FIRST OUTING.**

The first outing of the band of St. Mary's Parish Church, Ealing, was a complete success. The ringers and friends left Ealing Broadway at 1.20 p.m. for Reading, which was to be the scene of activities for the day. A course of Grandsire Caters on handbells was brought round en route, but Bob Major could not be managed, owing to frequent interruptions of passengers passing through the corridor, and the boisterous spirits of the party. On reaching Reading the party made their way to St. Giles. Mr. A. W. Osborne, the genial foreman, welcomed the ringers, and the bells were raised in peal, but owing to nervousness or 'the holiday spirit' this could not be called exactly a success. However, touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Double Norwich Major were rung. A move was then made to St. Mary's Church, where Mr. J. Swain extended a hearty welcome. The heavy bells were soon set going to the tune of Stedman Triples, Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major following. On vacating the tower, rain was falling, and the restaurant was quickly sought. Here tea was waiting, and the ringers did ample justice to the meal. After tea, further handbell ringing took place, much to the delight of the waitresses. Time flies, and when Caversham was reached, the party were behind scheduled time. However, with Mr. E. J. Menday and other local ringers, the bells of St. Peter's were soon tapping off well-struck changes. Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent and Cambridge Surprise Major were the methods. A pleasing alteration in programme became necessary, as an old friend, Mr. J. R. Mackman, had invited the band to supper, and the tower was left at 8.30 p.m. A short but enjoyable time was spent with Mr. and Mrs. Mackman, and some ringing on the host's splendid handbells took place. This occupied more time than was anticipated, and a hasty stampede to the station was the result. The London train was waiting, and everybody boarded it safely. Ealing was reached at 10.15 p.m., where the party dispersed in heavy rain, damp but cheerful. The ringers wish to thank the incumbents of St. Giles' and St. Mary's, Reading, and of St. Peter's, Caversham, for the use of their bells; Messrs. Swain, Menday and Osborne, and other local ringers, for their kind assistance; and Mr. and Mrs. Mackman for giving the party such an enjoyable supper. Special thanks must be accorded to Mr. A. W. Osborne for arranging tea and other items. F.W.G.

**LAVENHAM RINGERS' OUTING.**

On Saturday, September 23rd, through the kindness of the leading church people, an enjoyable day's ringing was spent in Essex by the Lavenham ringers. Starting from Lavenham Church at 8.20, Haldstead was reached by 9.30, the party being received by Mr. A. Wiffen. Touches of Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Kent Major were successfully brought round. Bocking was next visited, where touches of Stedman, Oxford and Forward Major were rung. Mr. A. Shuffeleotham, who kindly welcomed the party, took a rope in two touches, and also acted as pilot to Braintree Church, where a hearty welcome was extended by Mr. Charles Howard, Ringing Master of the Essex Association. Here the mascot of the party (Stedman S., junr.) had to be carried on his father's back up the ladder, about 30 feet high and nearly upright. A touch of Double Norwich came to grief. The party then adjourned to a splendid dinner, after which touches of Grandsire Triples and Double Norwich were brought round. Then came a six miles' run to Coggeshall, where, according to programme, Grandsire Triples, Kent and Double Norwich were rung. After bidding farewell and success to some well-known brother ringers, who were waiting to attempt a peal of Double Norwich, the journey was resumed to Earls Colne, which was reached about 4.45. Here Stedman and Forward were brought round, the latter being the first on the bells in the method. After refreshing the innerman, tracks were made for Sudbury St. Gregory, the last tower on the programme. Here at 6.30 the party were met by the local company and Mr. J. Lee, of London, Stedman and Forward, Kent and Double Norwich, in which Mr. J. Lee, Mr. D. Elliott, of Great Henny, and the local company joined, were brought round. Home was reached about 8 p.m., after a splendid outing. The ringers wish, through 'The Ringing World,' to thank the clergy for the use of the bells, the ringers who received them, and the friends who so generously contributed towards the cost of such an enjoyable outing. The handbells were much used whilst travelling.

**THE LATE MR. T. WALLIS.**

In connection with the appeal on behalf of the widow and daughter of the late Mr. T. Wallis, of Edenbridge, Kent, Mr. J. W. Steddy acknowledges with thanks the following: Previous list, £7 5s.; Mr. W. Stead, 7s. 6d.; Mr. W. H. Fussell, 2s. 6d. As the fund will shortly be closed will intending subscribers kindly forward early to J. W. Steddy, High Street, Edenbridge, Kent? This being a very deserving case, it is hoped many will contribute.

**CHRISHALL, ESSEX.**—On Sept. 9th, in an unsuccessful peal attempt, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: L. Brookes 1. E. G. Hibbins (conductor) 2. R. Clemenis 3. A. E. Austin 4. P. Webb 5. F. Griggs 6. Afterwards, 720 Kent Treble Bob and 720 Plain Bob by the same band.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—The 285th Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 11th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 7/6 each, may be obtained from any of the following committee: Messrs. J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, P. E. Clark, W. T. Cockerill, G. R. Fardon, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, R. T. Hibbert, E. Horrex, C. H. Horton, A. Howell, A. A. Hughes, W. J. Kemp, H. Langdon, A. R. Macdonald, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, A. Walker, H. J. Walton, C. F. Winney and E. A. Young. Towers open for ringing from 3.30 to 5.30: St. Giles', Cripplegate; St. Magnus', London Bridge; St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—A Quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Hampton Bishop on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m., service 5 p.m. Tea at Parish Room 5.45 p.m.—C. Edwards, Dis. Sec., Great Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday, Nov. 4th. No! St. Michael's, Blackburn, as was arranged. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, at a small charge, at 5.30, followed by short business meeting. The bells at St. John-at-Hackney (Old Hackney) will be available from 7.30 to 9 o'clock. A good attendance is desired.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Southwold District.—A practice meeting will be held at Southwold on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. W. Naunton, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A by-meeting will be held at Maldon on Saturday, November 4th. Both towers available from 3 p.m. till 8 p.m. Service at All Saints' 4.30. Tea and meeting in Parish Room to follow. Private bus leaves Chelmsford at 2.30, returning from Maldon 8.30, to hold 16. A few seats available, fare 2s. 6d. return.—P. Timson, Dis. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Southport, on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Efforts are being made for Emmanuel Church bells to be available the same day.—J. Halsall, Branch Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chipping Norton Branch.—The Annual Autumn meeting will be held at Burford on Saturday, November 4th. Bells (8) available 2.30, Service 4. Tea 4.45 at The Lamb.—J. Keyte, Hon. Sec., Charlbury.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Coaley on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Mid-Devon Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 4th, at Newton Abbot. Bells available—Highweek (8), St. Leonards (8), from 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—H. J. Hole, Hon. Sec., "Tauntonia," Church Street, Paignton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will take place at Middleton Parish Church on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 31, Samuel Street, Middleton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Eccles on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells ready at 3.15, meeting 7 o'clock.—J. Hall, Branch Sec. 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Fleet, Holbeach, on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Meat tea in Village Hall at 4.15.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Sudbury.—A meeting will be held at Sudbury on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells available from 12 (noon), S. Gregory (8) and All Saints' (8). Business meeting in the vestry of S. Gregory's at 3.30 p.m.

**BLACKROD, LANCASHIRE.**—The bells will be opened on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Service at 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Will those intending having tea kindly send their names to Peter Crook, 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton?

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on November 7th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, 9th and 23rd: \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, 14th (election of officers); St. Andrew's, Holborn, 16th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral, 28th. All at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—Next Meeting Nov. 11th, Sheffield Cathedral.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec.

**REOPENING OF NORTH WINGFIELD TOWER** and Dedication of Tenor, 3 p.m., Nov. 11th. Tea 1/- Notice to the Rector, Rev. Canon A. J. B. Ellerton, Chesterfield.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A Monthly meeting of this branch will be held at Earl Shilton, on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**NORTH WINGFIELD.**—Dedication of new tenor bell, Saturday, Nov. 11th. Service 3 p.m. Tea 4.30, 1/6 each to all who notify Mr. J. P. Tarlton, 16, Bright Street, N. Wingfield, Chesterfield, not later than Nov. 8th. All ringers and friends invited.—T. Allibone, Local Sec.



**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 11th, at Hoylandswaine. All ringers welcome.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Secretary.

**WEST HALLAM, NEAR DERBY.**—The new peal of six bells will be dedicated on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Service commences 2.30. Dedication 3 p.m. All ringers invited. Six members of the Ilkeston band will ring at the dedication, also at the conclusion of the service. Afterwards the Bells will be open for visitors. Tea will also be provided. Will those that intend being present kindly notify Mr. S. Hunt, West Hallam, near Derby?

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the Hunts Branch will be held at Hemingford Abbots on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells at Hemingford Abbots (6) and Houghton (5) available from 2 p.m. Service and address 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. All requiring tickets for tea (9d.) please send me notice by Nov. 7th.—Rev. H. B. Woolley, Long Stanton, Cambridgeshire.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Woolton, on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells ready at 3.30. Service 5.30. Tea and Meeting 6. Tea 6d. Members intending to be present please send word to Sec., Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—The Annual district meeting will be held at Alverstoke, on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells available 2.30. Tea and business 5.30. Will members requiring tea please acquaint me by Wednesday, 8th?—E. J. Harding, District Sec., 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Walton-le-Dale, on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Two peal boards will be unveiled. Tea will be provided to all sending in their names to A. E. Woodhouse, 104, Victoria Road, Walton-le-Dale, not later than Monday, Nov. 6th.—W. Taylor, Branch Sec., Tower House, Penwortham.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices; Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, Nov. 13th and 27th; Bishopsgate, Nov. 20th. Sundays, St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—A Monthly ringing meeting for practice will be held at Old Hill, on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Bells available at 3 o'clock.—A. J. Skelding, Branch Sec., 7, Cecil Street, Stourbridge.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at St Andrew's, Wells St., W., on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. Service at 6.30 p.m. All ringers invited. Business meeting at 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in

cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

SET OF 51 HANDBELLS, Chromatic Scale, F.26 to G.04, in good condition.—Price £20.—Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Stockport.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Ringer requires Situation, any suitable job will be accepted. Many years as WAREHOUSEMAN. Instructor on 6 and 8 bells, with little experience of 10, tower and handbells. Permanency preferred.—A. S. Morris, 5, King's Head St., Harwich, Essex.

#### KIDDERMINSTER MEMORIAL RINGING.

On Sunday, October 22nd, the Kidderminster War Memorial was unveiled by the Earl of Coventry, supported by the Bishop of Worcester, Canon Sladen (Vicar), the Mayor and Corporation, etc. The memorial represents the Angel of Peace, bearing on her left arm the Child of the Future, and in her right hand is held an Olive Branch, the Emblem of Peace. To the left of the memorial, which is placed close to St. Mary's Church, are the panels bearing the names of the men who died, among them being one of the local ringers, William Smith. For morning service, 448 Bob Major; R. Davies 1, G. Davies 2, N. Davies 3, T. J. Salter 4, J. Woodberry 5, J. Davies 6, E. J. Brooks (conductor) 7, K. Salter 8. At the unveiling ceremony a course of London, with the usual whole pull and stand, and 504 Stedman Triples; T. J. Salter 1, G. Davies 2, N. Davies 3, K. Salter 4, C. H. Woodberry (conductor) 5, J. Davies 6, J. Smith 7, J. Woodberry 8. Also 704 Bristol Surprise; J. Woodberry 1, G. Davies 2, N. Davies 3, E. J. Brooks 4, K. Salter (first touch in the method) 5, T. J. Salter 6, J. Smith 7, C. H. Woodberry (conductor) 8.

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

*Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.*

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
COVENTRY.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent,  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. AGGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells.———Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Gaversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..	4	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Swan Street,

LOUGHBOROUGH.

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price ...	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	88/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/8

Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING **WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Roll's House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 608. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### PAID SERVICE RINGERS.

The report of the annual meeting of the Fylde Branch of the Lancashire Association makes sad reading. 'Nothing but disappointment and discouragement' in the past and little promise for the future. Such, in brief, is the condition of affairs as presented by the Hon. Secretary, and it is so unlike Lancashire that, had we not got the statement upon the word of the chief official of the Branch, it would seem incredible. The Lancashire Association is a big and influential organisation, and, doubtless, when the existing state of things is fully realised, there will be a determined attempt to help the handful of loyal members who, in the face of so much apathy, have been endeavouring to keep the Association's flag flying in that quarter of the County Palatine.

It is, however, not a simple matter to rouse lethargic ringers, and the task of creating anything like enthusiasm is formidable. Ringers, as a whole, are a difficult body to move, and it needs constant effort to stir them into any activity beyond their own well-defined groove. The work of waking up a branch which has reached a stage of apathy, such as seems to prevail in the Fylde, is one, therefore, in which the local officials will need all the co-operation that the parent organisation can give. As to the cause of this lack of interest, the Secretary quite bluntly, and, probably, very accurately attributes it to the fact that at, apparently, every tower the ringers are paid. Although the sum may not be large, it is the only incentive which the men of Fylde can find to induce them to attend to their duties in the belfry.

Except where men are put to actual out of pocket expenses in order to reach a tower to ring for service, we think it is a great pity that ringers should be paid for fulfilling this Sunday office. The true spirit of advancing the art for the art's sake is, unfortunately, too often killed on account of it, for the men concern themselves only with registering their attendance, and care little or nothing for what the ringing consists of, so long as the bells are rung. Moreover, payment often creates another obstacle to progress. Paid ringers, especially those who take no interest in method ringing, are disinclined to admit new men. All the while they can hang on to the 'spoils of office' they see to it that no one comes in to share with them, and in this way they put up another barrier to the advancement of the art. The problem of how to deal with cases of this kind is not an easy one to solve, and if this cause is really at the back of the apathy of the Fylde district, the Lancashire Association will have no easy work to change the state of affairs in the towers near Blackpool. If there is any other reason, it would be well to get to the bottom of it, and in any event it should be worth while interesting the incumbents of the various churches in the effort at revival.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(St. MARGARET'S GUILD.)

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF St. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5184 CHANCES;**

Tenor 32 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb.

THOMAS BENT ... .. Treble	EDWARD WHITEHEAD ... .. 6
FREDERICK W. SHARMAN ... .. 2	FRED STANFORTH ... .. 7
ALFRED BALLARD ... .. 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 8
CHARLES ALLSOP ... .. 4	JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 9
HARRY PEACH ... .. 5	CHARLES CATTELL ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

First peal of Caters on the new bells and by all the band except the ringers of 7th, 8th and 9th, and rung at first attempt. A birthday compliment to Joe E. Sykes, of Huddersfield.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

HERBERT E. ROBBINS ... .. Treble	JESSE J. MOSS ... .. 5
MRS. LILIAN A. HARDY ... .. 2	CHARLES MASON ... .. 6
MISS HILDA F. WILLSON ... .. 3	THOMAS RILEY ... .. 7
L. WILLIAM JACQUES ... .. 4	WILLIAM WILLSON ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

The ringers of 2nd, 3rd and tenor hail from Leicester, L. W. Jacques from Mansfield, the remainder are local men. Owing to an accident, Mr. John Flint was unable to ring. The visitors desire to thank him and Mr. T. Riley for their kind hospitality.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFS.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

On Tuesday, Oct. 31, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

WILLIAM D. PEART ... .. Treble	ELIJAH PAGETT ... .. 5
THOMAS TAYLOR ... .. 2	† DAVID JONES ... .. 6
GEORGE GRIFFITHS ... .. 3	ALBERT MILLS ... .. 7
ARTHUR S. LOACH ... .. 4	* SAMUEL LOACH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT MILLS.

\* First peal. † First peal away from tenor. Rung on the eve of the dedication festival of All Saints, also to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the reconstruction of the above church, and as a mark of esteem to the Rev. Prebendary M. M. Connor, M.A., R.D., who has completed 40 years as Vicar of West Bromwich.

ALVECHURCH, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF St. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

DAVIES' VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt. in F.

* CHARLES WEBB ... .. Treble	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 5
SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 2	JOHN E. EATON ... .. 6
GEORGE F. GARRISON ... .. 3	WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... .. 7
LESLIE G. CARTWRIGHT ... .. 4	C. HOWARD STANLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT.

\* First peal in the method 'inside.' This was the quarterly peal for the above Branch; also rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. H. Williams, of King's Norton. The conductor was elected ringing master of this Branch at the last quarterly meeting held in September. The band take this opportunity of thanking the Rector of Alvechurch for his kind hospitality after the peal.

### HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 31, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

GEORGE DENT ... .. Treble	VINCENT TIPTON ... .. 5
WILLIAM MORRIS ... .. 2	STANLEY CLARK ... .. 6
*FREDERICK WHITEY ... .. 3	JOHN CORDELL ... .. 7
LEWIS J. CORDELL ... .. 4	WILLIAM WHEELER ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by G. DENT.

\* First peal. Rung on the 17th anniversary of the dedication of these bells.

### MONKEN HADLEY, MIDDLESEX. THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Nov. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

#### A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt.

FRANK R. COPEMAN ... .. Treble	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 5
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 2	JOHN ARMSTRONG ... .. 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 3	REDDEN SANDERS ... .. 7
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINES. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal of Major on the bells.

### FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

#### A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

HENRY C. COLLYER ... .. Treble	GEORGE H. RANGLES ... .. 5
WILLIAM BIBBY ... .. 2	JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. 6
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 3	FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 7
ERNEST PALMER ... .. 4	HENRY W. WILDE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

### CAVERSHAM, THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (St. Peter's Society.)

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM HIBBERT ... .. Treble	ALBERT D. COLLUM ... .. 5
GEORGE ESSEX ... .. 2	HARRY SIMMONDS ... .. 6
*JOHN WAINE ... .. 3	ERNEST W. MENDAY ... .. 7
JOSEPH HANDS ... .. 4	†ARTHUR BETTS ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. THURSTANS. Conducted by ERNEST W. MENDAY.

\* First peal of Stedman. † First peal.

### LOUGHBOROUGH. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5216 CHANGES;

Tenor 6½ cwt.

G. STEDMAN MORRIS ... .. Treble	JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 5
*EDWARD WHITEHEAD ... .. 2	*GEORGE FREEBRY ... .. 6
WILLIAM THORLEY ... .. 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 7
ERNEST J. JELLEY ... .. 4	REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by REDVERS F. ELKINGTON. Conducted by E. MORRIS.

\* First peal in the method. The 3rd ringer belongs to Loughboro', 4th to South Wigston, 6th to Derby, 8th to Anstey, remainder to St. Margaret's, Leicester.

### WIGSTON MAGNA, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

*WM. H. HUMBERSTONE ... .. Treble	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 5
*WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... .. 2	HAROLD G. JENNEY ... .. 6
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 3	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 7
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 4	FRANK H. DEXTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

\* First peal in the method. First peal of Major on the bells.

### ERITH, KENT. THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

FRANK C. NEWMAN ... .. Treble	*JEFFREY R. GAMMON ... .. 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	*CHARLES H. KIPPIN, JUN. ... .. 6
ALBERT C. V. GASSON ... .. 3	JOSEPH S. HAWKINS ... .. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 4	JAMES BULLOCK ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. DAY. Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Major. Rung as a 60th birthday compliment to the steeplekeeper, Mr. F. J. Cullum.

### TRING, HERTFORDSHIRE. THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

HARRY SEAR ... .. Treble	*HERBERT C. EDWARDS ... .. 5
*HAROLD CASHMORE ... .. 2	*HARRY GOLDING ... .. 6
JOHN MEAD ... .. 3	WALTER SEAR ... .. 7
*REGINALD S. COOK ... .. 4	WALTER AYRE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal of Bob Major. Ringers of treble, 3rd and 7th hail from Blechley, 5th from Calverton, 4th from King's Langley, 6th from Hemel Hempstead, and the conductor from Leverstock Green. This is believed to be the first peal of Bob Major on the bells. The ringers take this opportunity to thank the Vicar (Rev. Francis) for the use of the bells, and also the local ringers for having everything in readiness.

### BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 9½ cwt.

*EDWIN BREEZE ... .. Treble	GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 5
*GEORGE LUNT ... .. 2	*HERBERT LEDKIN ... .. 6
*THOMAS HAMMOND, JUN. ... .. 3	JAMES MARTIN ... .. 7
JOHN WILKINSON ... .. 4	*EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by G. R. NEWTON.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.

### HEADCORN, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

*TOM SAUNDERS ... .. Treble	*LEWIS NEWMAN ... .. 5
HENRY C. CASTLE ... .. 2	HARRY PARKES ... .. 6
LEONARD MANNERING ... .. 3	CHARLES H. SONE ... .. 7
*LOUIS HEAD ... .. 4	PHILLIP HODGKIN ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY HUBBARD. Conducted by C. H. SONE.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Major. First peal on the bells after being rehung by Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, and the treble, 2nd and 4th recast.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**



HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

WILLIAM COLEY ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 5
WILLIAM BROWN ... .. 2	JOHN LLOYD ... .. 6
WILLIAM E. TURNER ... .. 3	ALFRED HACKETT ... .. 7
CHARLES E. PERKINS ... .. 4	MATTHEW HACKETT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. COLEY.

This peal was arranged for W. E. Turner, of Bosbury, it being his first peal of Triples, and was also rung on the 26th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. Ranford, of Suckley.

KIDDERMINSTER, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 25½ cwt.

THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. Treble	JOSEPH DAVIES ... .. 5
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 2	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. 6
JOHN BASS ... .. 3	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ... .. 7
ERNEST J. BROOKS ... .. 4	JOHN WOODBERRY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES H. WOODBERRY.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of William Smith, a local ringer, who fell in the war; also as a tribute of respect to Matthew J. Whittall, of Worcester, Mass., U.S.A., a benefactor to this church.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

BICESTER, OXON.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Aug. 27, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDBURGH.

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

*E. A. CLIFTON ... .. Treble	*F. SHARPE ... .. 4
*F. NEALE ... .. 2	†R. ELKERTON ... .. 5
*B. COX ... .. 3	†E. HIMS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. HIMS.

\* First peal in any method. † First peal in this method. First peal of Minor ever rung by a local band at Bicester.

CLAPTON-IN-GORDANO, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

JAMES NESBITT ... .. Treble	JOHN ATHERTON ... .. 4
THOMAS WYATT ... .. 2	LOUIS MOORE ... .. 5
ERNEST GOULDSTONE ... .. 3	HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

J. Atherton was made a member of the Association at this meeting.

WATTON, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 22, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 18 lb.

THOMAS STAGG ... .. Treble	HERBERT MASON ... .. 4
CHARLES CARTER ... .. 2	FREDERICK A. SALTER ... .. 5
EGGAR HUNT ... .. 3	WILLIAM ADCOCK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. ADCOCK.

MALDON, ESSEX. — On Sunday, October 15th, for the harvest festival, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: E. W. Finch 1, R. Hutson 2, W. May 3, J. H. Waldoock 4, A. South (conductor) 5, F. May 6. Also 360 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, with W. Brinkley and conducted by F. May.

DENBY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 9½ cwt.

WILFRED H. BUXTON ... .. Treble	C. JOHN PARTRIDGE ... .. 4
*WILSON ALLEN ... .. 2	*GEORGE ED. ALLIN ... .. 5
J. ARTHUR ORGILL ... .. 3	JOSEPH LORD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

\* First peal. Arranged for ringers of 2nd, 4th and 5th.

STEEPLE ASHTON, WILTS.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Nov. 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven 720's. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM R. BAXTER ... .. Treble	CHARLES DOEL ... .. 4
WILLIAM LOUD ... .. 2	CHARLES F. ANDREWS ... .. 5
JESSE FRANCIS ... .. 3	SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES F. ANDREWS.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor on the bells.

EASTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford, Woodbine and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

VICTOR E. KERRIDGE ... .. Treble	ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. 4
JOHN GARRATT ... .. 2	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 5
HARRY HALL ... .. 3	JOHN HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

First peal in seven methods on the bells.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Monday, Oct. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 18 in G.

WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 1—2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3—4	RAYMOND PHILPOTT ... 7—8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Monday, Oct. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
IN THE RINGING CHAMBER OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 16 in B.

WALTER LAGO ... .. 1—2	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... 5—6
WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 3—4	*EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... 7—8

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM SAUNDERS.  
Umpire: ALFRED S. BAYLEY.

\* First peal of Triples 'in hand.' Specially arranged and rung on Mr. E. V. Rodenhurst's 26th birthday, and rung on his bells.

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Nov. 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET.

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5424 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by  
ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.  
Witness: JACK SCARFE.

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. PETER'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 20 in E.

MISS NELLY JOHNSON... .. 1-2	JOSEPH D. JOHNSON ... .. 5-6
GEOFFERY J. HEMMING ... 3-4	JAMES HEMMING ... .. 7-8
*FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... 9-10	

Composed by MORRIS J. MORRIS. Conducted by JOSEPH D. JOHNSON.

\*First peal of Royal 'in hand.' First peal of Royal by the remainder of the band, and first peal of Royal 'in hand' by the Association. Rung at the first attempt.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. A. WALKER, 81, BAKER ST., SPARKHILL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5021 CHANGES;

Tenor size 17 in B flat.

JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 1-2	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 7-8
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 3-4	PERCY O. LAFLIN ... .. 9-10
THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 5-6	ALBERT WALKER ... .. 11-12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

Referees: MR. W. KENT and MR. H. WITHERS.

Specially arranged and rung for the coming of age on November 9th of Miss Winnie Walker, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Walker. A very enjoyable evening was spent after the peal.

VISIT TO HAMPSHIRE TOWERS.

On a recent Saturday eight members of Winchester Diocesan Guild met at Privett, Hants, to attempt a peal on those beautiful bells, but met with disappointment. The Rev. C. D. P. Davies, an old and valued member of the Guild, had charge of the parish for the week-end, the Vicar of Privett having exchanged with Mr. Davies, so that the latter gentleman could have the pleasure of ringing on his fine bells. Five members from Portsea, Messrs. Harding, senr. and junr., Rogers, Stone and Taylor, made the journey by rail to Petersfield, and then had a beautiful six-mile walk to Privett Church, whose spire can be seen for miles around. Mr. G. Pullinger and Mr. P. W. Cave, and the reverend gentleman, with those mentioned, comprised the band. Soon after the bells were raised, Mrs. Davies, who was in company with another lady, quickly climbed the stairs, and informed the ringers that the organist had met with an accident, and had severe concussion of the brain. This necessitated abandoning the attempt, much to the regret of all. Lady Nicholson, on whose estate the church stands, was also disappointed, having stopped with Mrs. Edge, to listen to the ringing. After consultation, it was decided to proceed to East Meon in the hope of getting permission to ring. One of the cyclist members rode on to see the Vicar of East Meon (the Rev. A. S. Crawley), the 'young uns' preparing themselves for another four-mile walk, whilst the two 'old crows' were following in the Rector's van. Lady Nicholson failing to get a motor conveyance. On arrival at East Meon, the walking contingent met the cyclist, who said that the Vicar would be delighted to allow the ringing to take place. This news gave them a good appetite for tea, and a visit to a local 'cafe' soon rid the landlord of extra food. Meanwhile the 'old crows' were having an exciting experience in the trap, and, with the Rector's wife, had to get out and push it up the hills, and going down to steady the conveyance from excessive speed. Half-past six saw all in the belfry ready for the fray, and a well-struck peal of Stedman Triples was completed by 9.45 p.m. Someone remarked 'that there was only a quarter of an hour to go,' so we went 'out quick,' and after hurried refreshment, at the hospitality of the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, another preparation was made for a five-mile walk to Petersfield, in company with Mr. Cave, who had given up hopes of getting to Southampton. The 11.52 train from Petersfield landed the party at Portsmouth in the early hours, but as the clock had to be put back, it was a consolation to all concerned. Nevertheless all were up and ringing for the 9.30 service at St. Mary's, Portsea, and another service at 11 a.m. Handbell ringing occupied the dinner-hour, and two courses of Grandsire Caters were rung by P. W. Cave 1-2, W. Tate 3-4, F. W. Rogers 5-6, T. R. Taylor 7-8, E. J. Harding, senr., 9-10, and also Stedman Triples. Further touches were rung in the evening at Portsea, which completed a most enjoyable week-end's ringing. Thanks are due to the Vicar of Privett for his permission to ring, and also the Vicar of East Meon, whose ready consent was greatly appreciated by the ringers.

YE O. B. J.s OF RINGING MERIT.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Mr. Willson observes in his letter on 'Diplomas of Merit' that the grading may cause some discussion, if done by individual associations. It will. As no two associations will grade alike, it will cause a little trouble to graded ones, who like the gentleman who is going to be magician enough to turn Exeter tepor 'into' a peal of Maximus, belong to about 40 associations, if they are condemned to wear all their grading marks at once. By the way, are they to be tattooed? What an art gallery one would become, and who is to pay for these wonderful diplomas? The culprit, one would presume, as association finance at the present day is not capable of keeping pace with all the drains on the exchequer. And is not the annual report a very sufficient diploma as to first peal in so and so methods, and first time to call a 'Ganny Gunter,' etc.?

Really, a practical scheme of diplomas can't be worked at 1s. or 1s. 6d. per head per annum. But if it is a diploma for striking that Mr. Willson requires for his colts, he should take them to a Halifax and District cup contest, and then get their names on the cup. That will be sufficient as to that, for they would require to have their ears at the contest, and not leave them at Leicester. Judge Broadley is fast approaching his half-century of contests, and I know he would be proud to give the cup to St. John's company for a change.

I believe there is one association which gives a medal to every member who scores his hundred for them. That is a very nice recognition of service to the association, but they do not quibble about what the hundred is made of. Doubles or London Major—it matters not, for no doubt the said association has sense enough to realise that eight men who could all ring London Major would never go into a tower and ring peal after peal of Bob Major merely to get the medal. I have looked carefully through the five and six bell peals published during the last three weeks, and I fail to see a single instance where a peal worth more points could have been rung. I note in your current issue a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles rung at Collingtree, and for the life of me I cannot see that the patron saint of that place could have discovered a way whereby Mr. Willson could have rung a quarter of London Major on the same bells with the same band (and Columbus knew a thing or two about discovering ways and means), even though good Mr. Willson jostled into the tower with his battle-axe and all. Now I can ring London, and could do so 20 years ago. Once I was asked to go and call a peal in Breconshire in a six-bell tower, and on arrival I found that no one of the band had rung a 720 of Minor, and could only ring one method, Plain Bob. I shall want a lot of persuading that I could have got those men through anything else but Plain Bob, and I claim that that peal was worth more in points to those men than a peal of Double Norwich would have been to me if all the band had rung a half-dozen in the method.

And now, good Mr. Willson, I ask you, on behalf of the five and six bell ringers whom I am proud to call friends of mine to give us a very good and very lucid explanation of your reasons for saying that the whole bunch of two or three hundred peals of Doubles and Minor are not worth, either to the men who rang them or to the Exercise, one solitary peal of London Surprise Major. And please bear in mind, good Mr. Willson, that ringers ring to please themselves that which suits them at the moment. They do not ring peals to please the eye of the disgruntled portion of the readers of the 'Ringing World.' I ask you for this because your reasons, when given, would be a magnificent formula for a scale of diplomas.—Yours very sincerely,

ONCE A BEGINNER.

'UP TOWER.'

'Whur be gwine to, my purty maid?'  
'Bo gwine up tower, kind sir,' she said.  
'Why for be gwine up tower?' said he;  
'Be larnin' Grandsire Triples,' said she.

'Good sakes alive, wot's they?' said he;  
'The simplest method en seb'n,' said she.  
'But thee cassin't ring they bells,' he said;  
'Do practise on handbells,' replied the maid.

'I don't understand they contraptions,' he said;  
'They'm fine to larn wi', replied the maid.  
'But got no ropes, they ain't,' said he;  
'Us can pull tower bells, when we'm minded,' said she.

'Wull, if 'ee can ring, why larn?' said he;  
'But us can't ring nowt w'out practice,' said she.  
'But thee zed thee could, thee vullish maid';  
'Girt gowk, why, thik beain't ringing,' she said.

MORAL.

For it's no good keeping those great bells swinging.  
If you've got no notion what you're ringing. E. B. B.

## FRICITION AND LUBRICATION.

### NOTES ON THE EFFICIENT LUBRICATION OF BELLS.

No other subject occupies the time and attention of the average steeplekeeper so much as the 'go' of his brazen pets. The following article may seem superfluous to those steeplekeepers who are in the engineering trade, but it will prove to be of special interest to those who are not connected with engineering, etc.

The object of lubrication is to diminish the friction between revolving, rolling and sliding surfaces. This decrease of friction is attained by the use of lubricants, such as oil, grease, etc., which have the effect of separating the surfaces in contact in such a manner that in well lubricated surfaces, as, for example, a gudgeon and bearing, a film of oil is interposed between the gudgeon and bearing.

Without going into the theory of friction and lubrication, it may be helpful to the reader to review the various laws appertaining thereto.

1. The frictional resistance becomes independent of pressure when the surfaces are well lubricated.
2. Under the same condition of lubrication the frictional resistance varies directly as the speed.
3. Frictional resistance also depends on the temperature.
4. Frictional resistance depends little on the nature of the surfaces in contact under a flood system of lubrication.

Most of the oils in use are mineral, obtained during the refining of petroleum, shale, etc. Other oils of higher specific gravity are of the animal and vegetable classes. In the animal category are tallow, lard, and sperm oils, and, in the vegetable, olive and castor oil, all of which have varying degrees of viscosity.

In choosing oils for the lubrication of bells it is essential that due account be taken of the degree of viscosity. Mineral oils have a very wide range of viscosity. It also follows that the viscosity of a given lubricant varies according to the temperature to which it is subjected. Thus in summer an oil may have a low degree of viscosity, and in winter a very high degree.

Bearings in which bells hang can be divided into three classes.

1. Plain bearings, without lubricators.
2. Bearings fitted with gravity lubricators.
3. Ball and roller bearings.

In the first class, to use a lubricant with a low degree of viscosity would be sheer waste, because it would soon run out of the bearing and become useless. A mixture of lard and castor oil, Stauffer's lubricant, or petroleum jelly, will be found to be most efficient if used for this type of bearing. The use of tallow as a lubricant for this class should be condemned, because it has a destructive effect upon the metal. This destructive effect is caused principally by the formation of acids, which is accelerated by the presence of moisture or other oxidising agents.

In the second class, oil is caused to run from the lubricators on to the bearing by the force of gravity. It is evident that if a lubricant with a low degree of viscosity is used, the flow of oil will be too great, and if a lubricant is used with a fairly high degree, the rate of flow will not be big enough. Therefore, the happy mean must be chosen. Mineral oils of not too low viscosity will be found to be the best for this class. Olive oil and castor oil are all right for use during summer, but should not be used during winter, as they solidify in very cold weather.

Ball and roller bearings require very little lubrication, and this only at long intervals. Stauffer's lubricant or petroleum jelly will be found to serve very well in this case.

Most of the leading bell founders supply special lubricants to suit their different designs of bearings, and their instructions on the subject should be followed as closely as possible. H. W.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

### CHIPPING NORTON DEANERY BRANCH.

The annual meeting of the above branch was held at Burford on Saturday, and was favoured with weather that was all that could be wished for. The fine old peal of eight were set going at 2.30 to a fine short touch of Grandsire, which was the local branch secretary's first attempt to call Triples. This was followed by other ringing, in which several beginners took part. Service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. E. T. Emmeris), who gave a very interesting address to ringers. Tea was provided at the Lamb Hotel, and was followed by a business meeting, the towers represented being Ascott-under-Wychwood, Chipping Norton, and Shipton-under-Wychwood, with visitors from Ilmington and Stretton-on-Fosse, and the ever-welcome Master (the Rev. O. W. O. Jenkyn, M.C.), and Guild secretary (Mr. R. T. Hibbert).

The following officers were re-elected: The Rev. W. J. Palmer, chairman; Mr. J. Keyte, branch secretary and treasurer, and the Guild branch representatives.

The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar of Burford for his welcome, and Mr. H. Miles proposed a vote of thanks for their attendance to the Master and Mr. Hibbert, who both voiced their pleasure at being present.

Ascott-under-Wychwood was chosen for the spring meeting. The ringers then returned to the tower for further ringing.

## ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

### NORWICH SECRETARY'S REPORT DENIED.

A meeting for the Archdeaconry of Suffolk was held at Ufford on October 28th, the Rector of Ufford presiding. After tea, provided in the Church Room by Mrs. Drake, the minutes of the last meeting were read. To them was annexed the scheme of federation drawn up by Mr. A. L. Coleman (hon. secretary of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association) after that meeting. Great surprise was expressed that Mr. Coleman should have put forward such proposals, none of which were acceptable to anyone; and also that he should have tried to father them first on Mr. Fawcett, then on Mr. Drake, and finally (see 'The Ringing World' for October 20th, p. 665) on the new Diocesan Association, the more so as not one member of that association had said a single word in any way supporting any scheme of joint working for the two societies. It was resolved unanimously: 'That this meeting being informed that the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association have never had anything to do with any scheme of federation, declares that the attribution of one to them in the report of another association is not in accordance with facts.'

In a discussion on the great number of cracked bells in the diocese, reference was made to a case where new bell ropes had been cut, and the cut ends tied to the clapper in order to allow of the bells being struck at a great rate, and the following resolution was passed with enthusiasm: 'That this meeting requests the president and patron to take steps to stop the increasing practice of "clocking" or "nibbling" bells, by which so many valuable bells are being cracked.'

It was also resolved: 'That the old custom of properly raising a bell for a death should be revived in every parish.'

The meeting closed with thanks to the ladies and Mrs. Drake for the tea.

The statement in our issue of October 20th was as follows: 'The report (of the hon. secretary of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association made at the annual meeting) reviewed the unsuccessful efforts to federate the association with the new Suffolk Diocesan Association under its "scheme of Federation," which, after careful deliberation, was rejected by both the Standing Committee and by the two branches of the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association. It was satisfactory that this somewhat complicated controversy had, at least, had a happy issue in so far that the Norfolk and East Suffolk members still remained firmly united, and that both branches were now embraced in one association covering the two dioceses, the Norwich Diocese and the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocese. The only regret was that the founders of the new Suffolk Diocesan Association did not see their way to throw in their lot with them, and that as a result there were now two associations at work in the Suffolk Diocese. It was hoped they would continue as good neighbours and friendly rivals.'

## GRANDSIRE TRIPLES BROADCASTED.

### HANDBELLS BY WIRELESS.

On Tuesday evening, October 31st, what is believed to be the first broadcasting of change ringing on handbells by wireless took place at the residence of Mr. Goodall, Bassett, Southampton. The ringers were Messrs. G. Williams, D. Cecil Williams, John W. Faithful and Percival W. Cave, who were procured at extremely short notice.

Upon arrival at the house the ringers ranged themselves in a circle near to the small hut in which all the transmitting and receiving apparatus is kept and rang a 'practice' course of Grandsire, while Mr. Goodall tried different positions of the microphone for the best sound effects.

This, and other preliminaries, being settled satisfactorily, the concert started punctually at 7 p.m. with a touch of Grandsire Triples by J. W. Faithful 1-2, D. C. Williams 3-4, G. Williams 5-6, P. W. Cave 7-8.

A move was then made to the drawing-room, where songs were contributed by Mr. Horley (of Southampton), and a couple of piano-forte solos by Mr. P. W. Cave.

At the close of the concert, which had lasted about 50 minutes, Mr. Goodall asked all 'listeners in' to write to him and report on how they received the concert. He was especially keen on hearing how they received the ringing, and went out to his receiving set in the hope of picking up a report by wireless telephony from the amateur station at Salisbury.

In this he was successful, and 'Salisbury' said they had received all of the concert perfectly, and considered it the best Mr. Goodall had transmitted. Several amateurs, known to the writer, were also successful in receiving the concert, and all said the ringing sounded very clear, although unfortunately marred in one or two cases by 'jamming' by a neighbouring spark station.

Before leaving the house, Mr. Goodall invited the party to inspect his set, and succeeded in tuning in a concert from Whittle, near Chelmsford, much to everyone's delight. Altogether the evening was a very interesting and enjoyable one, and it is hoped that another similar concert will be given in the near future.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.****BAD EFFECTS OF 'PAID' RINGING.**

The annual meeting of the Fylde Branch was held at St. John's, Blackpool, on Saturday, October 28th. As usual, the meeting was poorly attended, only four members, besides the local men, putting in an appearance. The ringing included Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob and Little Bob.

At the business meeting, the Secretary gave a brief account of the year's working. Ten meetings had been held. The attendances averaged ten members to each meeting, and out of these ten members St. John's, Blackpool, could claim five. The art of change ringing was at a very low ebb indeed, the one bright spot on the outlook being St. John's, Blackpool, a little interest being also shown by two members from St. Anne's-on-Sea. Two attempts to score a peal with the St. Anne's members had come to grief, but they were hoping the third try would be successful. It was very rare that any members from other towers ever attended a meeting, except the one held at their own tower. Both old ringers and learners showed a lack of interest in change ringing. If one might hazard an opinion, it appeared to be the sole aim of the majority of ringers in the Fylde to ring (sometimes) for Sunday services to draw their salary, and let all other ringing matters take care of themselves. Was it because they got very well paid that things were so lax in change ringing affairs? One tower was paid at the rate of £5 per bell per annum, and in none of the towers of the Fylde, so far as could be ascertained, were there any paid less than 50s. per bell per annum. There were three ex-secretaries in the branch, and not one of them had attended a meeting. The meeting at Singleton was the only one where there was any ringing after tea. Perhaps this was because the Vicar had kindly provided a free repast to all who attended. The outlook for the future was far from encouraging; in fact, one member asked the question if it was worth while continuing the meetings when nothing but disappointment and discouragement were met with on every hand and at almost every tower.

The Secretary said his term of office had expired, as he only accepted the post for twelve months, but as there was no one willing to undertake the post he offered to continue for another year.

A vote of sympathy was passed to Mr. J. Tipping, the Branch Ringing Master, in his serious illness.—Mr. A. Hague was elected Deputy Ringing Master for the year.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at the two six-bell towers in Lytham.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting of the South and West District was held at Acton on Saturday, October 28th, and was attended by over 40 members, from 16 towers. A service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. G. S. De Sausmarcz, M.A.), who welcomed the association to Acton.

After service, tea was served in the Church Hall, presided over by the Rector, and supported by the churchwardens, and Messrs. C. H. Shakespeare, R. H. Holloway, and the Ringing Master. At the business meeting which followed, with Mr. Shakespeare in the chair, thanks were accorded to the Rector, churchwardens, organist, choir-boys, Messrs. C. H. Shakespeare, R. H. Holloway, J. W. Fruin, and others, who assisted.—The Rector acknowledged the thanks on behalf of himself and his colleagues.

The bells were set going again till 9 p.m., when a successful meeting closed.

**A VISIT TO BOLTON-ON-SWALE.**

On Saturday, October 14th, a party of ringers, representing the belfries of St. Cuthbert's, Holy Trinity and St. John's, Darlington, and St. Michael's, Heighington, had a very pleasant outing to Bolton-on-Swale, Yorks. On arrival at the church they were met by the Vicar (the Rev. Montague Thompson), and the churchwardens, who extended a cordial welcome to them. The tower contains a nice ring of six bells, by Warner and Sons (tenor 11½ cwt.), which unfortunately are not rung through lack of ringers, a chiming apparatus having been installed. The bells were raised, and 120 Stedman Doubles rung. Several courses of Grandsire Triples were also rung on hand-bells on the Village Green and in the Church Institute, where a splendid tea was served. After tea a return was made to the tower, and the bells were set going to a well-struck 504 of Kent Treble Bob Minor, followed by 720 Bob Minor for the visitor from Heighington (W. Oliver), who rang the 4th. A 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor was rung, which was the first in the method for F. Johnson, who rang the 2nd, and also for Mr. C. S. Burden, of London, who rang the tenor and first 720 of Oxford, as conductor, for W. N. Park. A six-score of Stedman concluded the ringing, and bells were lowered in peal. The ringers comprising the party were Messrs. T. Clark, C. S. Burden, W. D. Lister, G. W. Park, F. Johnson, W. N. Park, W. Oliver, A. Coates and A. Hunter, and they wish to thank the Vicar and churchwardens, and their ladies, for their hospitality in providing tea, and also for the use of the bells.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

# THE LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,  
32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.



ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

for

Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.

**HANDBELLS**

In Sets of any number.

BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Messrs. Groombridge and Palmer are rehangng the peal of eight at St. Nicholas', Sevenoaks, Kent.

Mr. Wm. Taylor, of Southwold (late of Leiston) rang in his 'golden wedding' peal (Kent Major), at Southwold on October 13th, 1906. The same composition was rung muffled to his memory at Leiston the day he was buried (Nov. 21st, 1912).

Mr. William Rock Small is another who had the honour of ringing in his golden wedding peal. This was at Tipton on Saturday, Feb. 8th, 1913, when Mr. Small rang the third to a peal of Stedman Triples.

Eight veterans of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association, all of them over 70 years of age, rang a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major at Pulham Market on Saturday week. Particulars of the performance, however, had not been received up to the time of closing our columns for press. We hope to give the details with a photo of the band next week.

St. Clement Danes, Strand, is famous for its church music as well as for its bells, and ringers visiting London on Saturday will find that, following half-muffled ringing from 2 till 3 p.m., Mozart's 'Requiem' will be rendered with full orchestra. On Sunday afternoon, at 3.15 p.m., Rossini's 'Stabat Mater' will be performed. Particulars of the ringing on Saturday and Sunday will be found in our notice columns.

At a very large number of towers to-morrow the bells will be rung half-muffled in connection with 'Remembrance Day.' It is to be hoped that at no belfry where there is a company of ringers will this opportunity be passed by.

Mr. William Newell, of Reading, celebrated his 84th birthday on Wednesday, and is still active in ringing.

Mr. William Rock Small, the Tipton veteran, will be 83 on Sunday. Rheumatism, however, prevents him taking part in his favourite pastime, but he has a record which many may envy. He has rung 333 peals on 8, 10 and 12 bells.

Mr. Small's first peal (Treble Ten) was rung at Wednesbury on April 29th, 1866, the band being all natives of the town, and Mr. Small is the sole survival of that company.

Ringers throughout the Exercise will extend their congratulations and good wishes to both these fine old English gentlemen and 'brother strings.'

In connection with Mr. Small's birthday it is hoped to attempt peals in honour of the event in his favourite method (Stedman), both at Wednesbury (his birthplace) and at Tipton 'Pepper-Box' (the church where he has been a sidesman for many years) on the eve (Saturday) of his anniversary, the juniors at Tipton, and the seniors at Wednesbury.

'Congratulations to George of England,' writes 'Once a Beginner'; 'but on again reading your current Gossip, I am prepared to bet James a new bat that he never will succeed in turning Exeter "into" a peal of Maximus, even a Lloyd George couldn't.'

Among the early peals of Treble Twelve was 5,136 Oxford Treble Bob Maximus at Southwark, rung on November 10th, 1766, by the Society of Royal Cumberlands.

One of those rare old peal boards, whereon are recorded the figures, as well as other particulars of a noteworthy performance, is to be found in Huddersfield tower, and it gives the details of a 10,080 New Treble Bob Major (what is now known as Kent) rung on Nov. 13th, 1820.

Huddersfield in those days had a band who did great things, as things went then. The first peal of Superlative, as we recorded last week, was theirs. Cambridge and New Cambridge Surprise, Violet Treble Bob Major and Treble Bob Triples, were rung, and the first peal of Halifax Treble Bob, which, however, turned out afterwards to be false.

The first peal of 'Real Double Norwich' was rung at Woolwich on November 16th, 1848.

Jasper Whitfield Snowden died on Nov. 16th, 1885.

## SILVER WEDDING CELEBRATION.

On Saturday, October 28th, several members of the Kent County Association and the Romney Marsh Guild accepted the kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, of Howland House, Mersham, to celebrate their silver wedding. Meeting at the church at 3 o'clock several touches of Bob Minor and Grandsire Triples were rung till 5 p.m., when all adjourned to Howland House, where an excellent tea awaited them, about 20 sitting down. After tea a very pleasant evening was spent with change ringing on handbells, and songs and recitations. The 'Health of the Host and Hostess' was proposed, and all good wishes for the future extended to them, the hope being expressed that they may be spared to celebrate the golden number.—Mr. Thomas fittingly responded.—Some of the visitors accepted the invitation to stay the night, and rang Grandsire Triples for the Sunday morning service.

## THE PEAL OF STEDMAN SEXTUPLES.

### HISTORIC FIRST PERFORMANCE CELEBRATED.

A very interesting social gathering took place in Birmingham to celebrate the first peal ever rung on 14 bells, viz., 5,055 Stedman Sextuples, in 3 hours and 35 minutes, on handbells retained in hand by seven members of the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham on June 24th last, which peal, with the composition, was duly recorded in 'The Ringing World.' A goodly company had been invited to meet, first in St. Martin's Church to hear touches of Stedman Sextuples rung by the peal band. Amongst those present in the tower were Messrs. J. Carter, W. Kent, J. George, F. Smallwood, J. White, T. Russam, A. Walker, P. O. Laffin, G. F. Swann, J. E. Groves, A. E. Norman, M. J. Morris and T. Bratton, and Mr. Albert Parsons, of Old Hill. General regret was expressed at the absence of the Presiding Ringing Master, Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A., B.C.L., who had a Masonic function to attend and could not possibly be present, but sent his very best wishes for an enjoyable evening.

Two courses of Stedman Sextuples were rung on handbells by T. Russam 1-2, A. Walker (conductor) 3-4, P. O. Laffin 5-6, G. F.

Cliff who rendered 'The Diver' in his very best style, the chorus being taken up 'again and again' by the whole company present. Selections on the handbells by Mr. E. Mansell's trio, with piano accompaniment, was also encored.

During the course of the evening, the Chairman said how very pleased he was to be present and take part in celebrating such an historic performance, and at having been privileged to hear a touch of Stedman Sextuples rung on 14 handbells earlier in the evening in St. Martin's tower with the bells in diatonic order as rung for the peal, and also another touch with the octave note to the 7th and tenor as substitute for the treble bell. He had, however, an open mind as to which was the better from the musical point of view, and hoped to hear more of it later, as in a touch with two courses only it was sometimes difficult to judge, and as in the case of from 10 to 12 the extra bells to 14 had to be got used to. But he was pleased to hear from those who heard the peal, especially the referee, that the peal was rung faultlessly, and that the music was grand.

Mr. Albert Walker, in responding, thanked the chairman for his

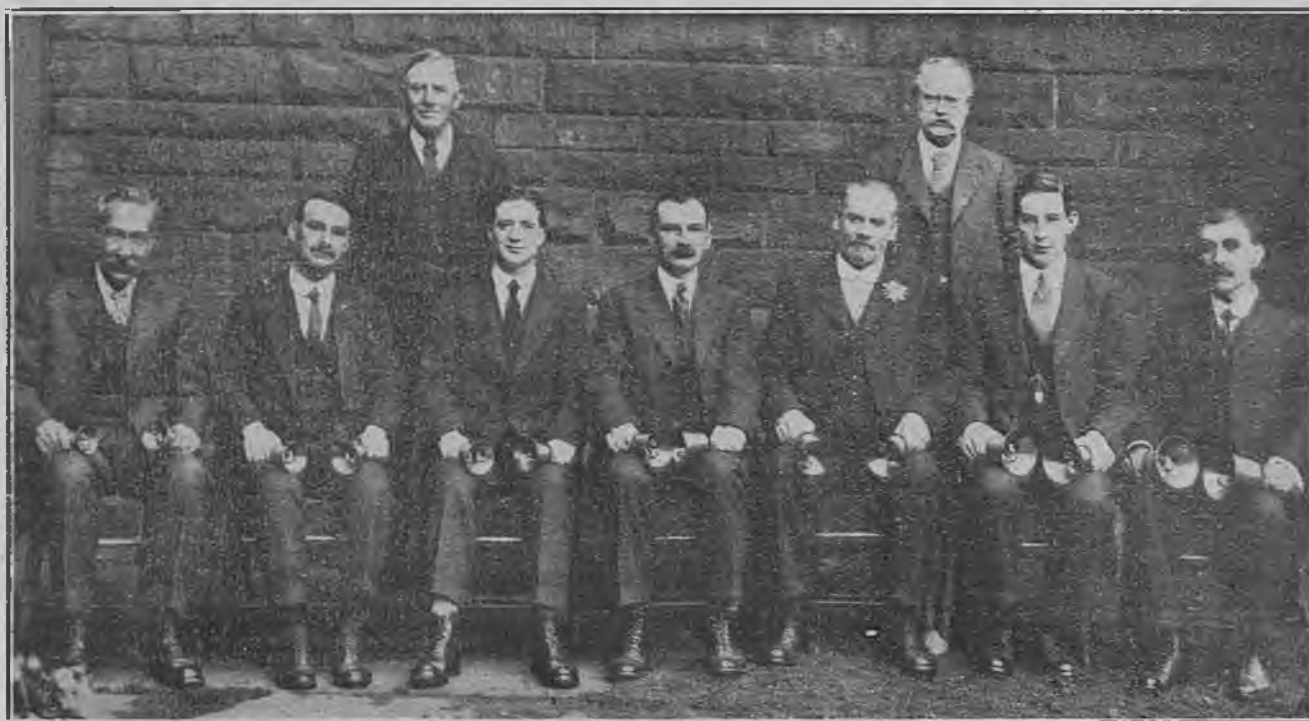


Photo by]

[A. Browning.

Standing: John Carter (composer), William Kent (referee).

Sitting: Thomas Russam (1-2), Albert Walker, conductor (3-4), Percy O. Laffin (5-6), George F. Swann (7-8), James E. Groves (9-10), Albert E. Norman (11-12), Morris J. Morris (13-14).

Swann 7-8, J. E. Groves 9-10, A. E. Norman 11-12, M. J. Morris 13-14. The extra bells required were in diatonic order, that is, assuming the tenor bell to be Key C, the treble bell is top B. Later, at Mr. A. Parsons' suggestion, a further touch was rung, using as a treble bell top C in place of B. Those who have a piano can illustrate this for themselves.

Afterwards the peal band, composer and referee were photographed, and a move made at 6.30 p.m. to the Guild's headquarters, the St. Martin's Hotel. Here the company was joined by Messrs. A. Paddon Smith, T. Reeves, G. Walker, G. Yendall, H. Withers, E. Mansell, A. T. Scrivens, and several others, and all sat down to an excellent meat tea, beautifully prepared and laid out by Host Spring and his good lady, who had excelled themselves in providing and doing everything possible to make everyone comfortable and happy.

After tea more friends, male and female, joined the company, which totalled 60, and with Mr. Albert Parsons unanimously voted to the chair an excellent programme of music was carried out, those who contributed being Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davies, Mr. A. Walker, Miss E. Knowles and Miss W. Walker, Messrs. V. Walker, H. Withers, G. Walker. Special mention must be made of Mr. Arthur

very kind words, and to the company for their presence. He said that 14 bells being just one short of the two octaves, the order of the bells to be used in the peal had been carefully thought out. With different bells tried away from the diatonic scale there seemed to be something lacking, and it was decided to follow precedent and add trebles in the natural order as from 8 to 10, 10 to 12, and so 12 to 14, and they were all unanimous that was the proper thing to do.

A further touch of Stedman Sextuples was attempted during the evening, but unfortunately came to grief in the last course, the aforesaid 'diver' having done its work. Hearty votes of thanks were accorded to all those who had contributed to the success of the evening, and the proceedings terminated with 'The King.' A. W.

### THE GIFFORD MEMORIAL FUND.

Amount previously acknowledged, £24 16s.; Mr. J. Gould (Bristol), 2s. 6d.; total, £24 18s. 6d. A meeting of subscribers to this fund will be held in St. Martin's Vestry, Salisbury, on Nov. 18th, at 7.30 p.m., to decide on the form of memorial, and to receive the secretaries' accounts.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

## PROPOSED MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. A. T. KING.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—A letter of which the enclosed is a copy, is being addressed to the members of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, asking for their subscriptions towards a fund which is being raised with the object of erecting a memorial to the late President of this Association. The letter gives full details of the scheme, which my committee hope will give general satisfaction.

Feeling that the very large number of friends of the late Arthur T. King will be glad to have an opportunity of identifying themselves with this memorial, my committee desire me to ask you to be good enough to insert the letter in 'The Ringing World.' As is well known, Mr. King's activities on behalf of ringers were not confined to the members of the Middlesex Association. For many years a member of the Central Council, he served on the Peals Analysis and other committees, and gave unstintingly of his time and energy. On no occasion could it be said that he was unwilling to give his best towards furthering the interests of ringers generally.

The sub-committee appointed to carry out the memorial schemes will, therefore, be glad to receive subscriptions from any of the late Mr. King's friends who may wish to join with the members of this Association in erecting these permanent records of their great appreciation of him, and trust the response will be a general one.

Thanking you, sir, for the space for this and the enclosed letter, Yours faithfully,

C. T. COLES.

Joint Hon. Sec., M.C.A. and L.D.G.

49, Wood Street, Walthamstow, E.17.

The letter above referred to, which is signed by Messrs. T. Beadle and F. A. Milne (District Vice-Presidents), and Messrs. C. T. Coles and W. H. Hollier (hon. secs.), is as follows:—

'In accordance with instructions received at the annual general meeting, your committee have considered the proposal to erect a memorial to the late Arthur T. King, who was for many years President of this Association, following on a long and faithful term of office as hon. secretary, during which the Association made its greatest progress.

'After careful consideration, it has been decided that the most fitting way in which his connection with this Association should be permanently recorded is by the erection of a marble or stone tablet in the Parish Church at Barnet; and, should funds permit, by placing a small tablet or peal-board in the belfry at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, recording the half-muffled peal rung on the day of his funeral. The main reasons which have prompted these decisions are that it was as a ringer at Barnet that our late president first became connected with the Association, and that he was for many years lay reader at that church. It is, therefore, considered appropriate that his connection with Barnet, as well as with this Association, should be recorded. It is also considered that as the half-muffled peal rung at Upper Clapton on March 30th was the only peal rung on the day of the funeral of our old friend, it is most fitting that this should be placed on record in the belfry.

'With these objects in view the necessary permission has been sought for and obtained from the Rectors and Parochial Councils of the two churches concerned, and your committee now appeal for your financial support to enable them to carry out the proposed schemes.

'A small sub-committee, consisting of the undersigned members of the Association, has been appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the work to be completed, and any of them will be glad to receive subscriptions, which will be duly acknowledged in "The Ringing World."

'A liberal response to this appeal is hoped for, so that the memorial to our late president may be a fitting one.'

## BLACKROD BELLS RESTORED.

On Saturday last the bells of Blackrod, Lancs., were opened after renovation. This church stands on a very high hill, commanding a fine panoramic view of the Fylde district.

The six bells, with a tenor of about 12 cwt., were cast in 1786 by Chapman and Mears, of London, and have been going badly for the last few years. Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, have now rehung them with modern fittings in an iron frame.

A special service was held, at which, after the blessing, the bells were rung for a few rounds by the local band. The Rev. Canon H. J. Elsee (President of the Lancashire Association) gave an eloquent address on the history, use and message of the bells, leaving a very deep impression on all who heard him.

A tea was provided for the visitors, at which the Vicar (the Rev. R. W. Gordon) took the opportunity to thank the ringers for the help they had given that day. Afterwards an exceedingly well struck 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung in 27 minutes by representatives of the Lancashire Association, viz.: George Pincott (Bolton Parish) 1, Joseph Leatherbarrow (Newchurch) 2, Ben Knights (Chesterfield) 3, Rev. Canon H. J. Elsee (Bolton St. George's) 4, John Potter (Walkden), conductor, 5, Ernest Cutsforth (Doane) 6. Subsequently the bells were kept going in various methods, and everybody voted the work done by the Loughborough firm a first class job.

## FIRST PEAL OF CATERS IN SOMERSET.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—'Belfry Gossip' this week states that the first peal of Stedman Caters was rung at St. Mary's Church, Taunton, by members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild on the occasion of the opening of the peal of ten on June 25th, 1885. On page 53 of his book, 'Among the Bells,' the late Rev. F. E. Robinson says:

A band of the Oxford Guild visited Taunton, Somerset, on June 25th, 1885, at the opening of the augmented peal of ten bells, the trebles having been made by Messrs. Taylor, and the tenor, a grand bell, by George Mears and Co., cast in 1861. We rang a peal of Stedman Caters (5,079 changes), in 3 hours and 22 minutes. The peal, however, turned out to be false, and was, therefore, excluded from the Guild report, but meanwhile one of the band, without my sanction, sent it to the 'Bell News' for publication. I failed in my duty by not publicly retracting it at the time, but the matter cropping up again seven years afterwards, I then made amends by the following letter in the 'Bell News' of March 26th, 1892, headed 'A Lenten Confession':—

'Sir,—The present season being the proper time for penitential acts, I write to acknowledge my error in the matter of ringing at St. Mary's, Taunton, in June, 1885. Having sufficient reason for denying it a place as a peal in our Guild report, I ought also to have disowned it when it appeared in your paper under that description. This, however, I failed to do, and for this neglect of duty I now express my regret.'

I believe after the Rev. F. E. Robinson made this confession he always refrained from peal ringing during Lent. The first peal of Stedman Caters in Somerset was rung on Wells Cathedral bells, on November 4th, 1891, in 3 hours 57 minutes, by F. White 1, G. H. Phillott 2, C. Houslow 3, T. Blackburn 4, the Rev. H. A. Cockey 5, the Rev. F. E. Robinson 6, W. W. Gifford 7, J. Hinton 8, R. T. Hibbert 9, J. W. Washbrook and W. Greenleaf 10. Composed and conducted by J. W. Washbrook. I hope, sir, you will find space for this, as it will once and for all settle this question.—Yours, etc.,

Taunton.

JAMES HUNT.

The particulars, which we gave last week, were extracted from the 'Bell News,' but the withdrawal, which came seven years later, was overlooked. Mr. Hunt informs us that the College Youths, Exeter and Taunton men, rang the first true peal on the ten (Grandsire Caters), and the first peal of Stedman Caters was rung by local men.

## BRISTOL SURPRISE.

To the Editor.

Sir,—As Mr. Pigott evidently obtained the 5,088 Bristol Surprise previous to my publishing it, I withdraw my claim to it. I subjoin two more peals on the same plan.—Yours, etc.,

F. BENNETT.

5056					5088				
23456	M	B	W	H	23456	M	B	W	H
52364		x		2	54326			2	2
63254			2	2	32546			1	1
25634			1	1	45236			2	2
36524			2	2	53246			2	
62534			2						
46325					36245	1		2	
					42635			2	2
					63425			1	1
64523		x	1	2	24365			2	2
43526	1			2	46325			2	
25346			2	2					
34256			1	1	25463		x	2	
52436			2	2	62534		x		2
23456			2		35264			2	2
These peals contain the					26354			1	1
extent of 4, 5 and 6 at					53624			2	2
the 'Wrong' and					32654			2	
'Home.'									
					23456	2		2	

## TWO PEALS BY J. PIGOTT.

5056					5056				
23456	M	B	W	H	23456	M	B	W	H
63254		x	1		36452	1		2	
63542		x		1	53624	2		2	2
34625		x			56234			1	2
42356		x							
25346	1	x			52364	1	x	2	2
54326	1	x			64235	2	x		2
52643			2	1	45236	1			2
24536		x			34256			1	
43526	1	x							
32546	1	x			53462	2		2	2
Repeated					62345	2	x		2
6th 12 full courses Home.					25346	1			2
					42356			1	
					Repeat last 4 Courses.				



# Sunday Service Ringers' Page.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**CARDIFF.**—Llandaff Association.—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, at St. John's Church, Cardiff, for the commemoration service to the fallen of the Glamorgan Artillery, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes), in 47 mins.: W. Richards 1, Sergt.-Major Dawe 2, W. Biss 3, A. Rowley 4, E. Hunt 5, E. Coombs 6, T. Carter 7, A. Parnell 8, W. Bolton (conductor) 9, S. R. Barker 10.

**COTGRAVE, NOTTS.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday evening, Nov. 5th, for the feast of the dedication, 720 Double Court Bob Minor, in 27 mins.: G. Allbones 1, W. White (conductor) 2, W. Hickling 3, D. Burton 4, W. E. White 5, T. Squires 6.

**CHATTERIS, CAMBS.**—On Sunday evening, Nov. 5th, 720 Plain Bob Minor: A. Mattock 1, P. A. Smith (conductor) 2, J. Rowlinson 3, W. Seekings (first 720 inside) 4, J. Grainger 5, A. J. Abrams 6.

**BREWOOD, STAFFORD.**—On Sunday, Oct. 15th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 49 mins.: H. E. Booth 1, G. Warner 2, T. Roden 3, T. Perry 4, G. Harris 5, E. F. Mitchell 6, J. Perry (conductor) 7, S. R. Roper 8. First quarter-peal of Stedman by G. Warner. The ringers of the 3rd, 5th and 6th belong to St. Peter's, Wolverhampton; S. R. Roper to the firm of Gillett and Johnston, Croydon, and the rest to the local band. Rung on the occasion of the harvest festival.

**GREEN'S NORTON, NORTHANTS.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday morning, October 15th, for harvest festival service, 720 Bob Minor: A. Booth 1, A. Mansfield 2, G. Mansfield 3, A. Hornsby 4, J. M. Gray 5, J. Wilfred Sharpe (conductor) 6.—For evening service, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes), consisting of 900 Plain Bob and 360 Oxford Bob Minor, in 47 mins.: A. Booth 1, A. Mansfield 2, J. Wilfred Sharpe 3, Geo. Mansfield 4, J. M. Gray 5, F. Hopper (conductor) 6. First quarter-peal of any Minor method by the ringers of 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th.

**BROUGHTON.**—For harvest festival, evensong, on Sunday, Oct. 15th, 720 Doubles being 240 St. Simon's, 240 Plain Bob and 240 Grandsire: H. D. Baxter 1, F. W. Randall 2, A. Stapleton 3, A. L. Wykes 4, H. Baxter (first 720 as conductor) 5.

**NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.**—On Sunday morning, Oct. 15th, for Divine service, 560 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: E. Dumper 1, W. G. Rowe 2, O. H. Giles 3, W. G. Edwards 4, C. J. Fray 5, A. Marks 6, G. Williams 7, W. T. Tucker (conductor) 8. Also for evening service, 448 in the same method, E. Munday and G. Pullinger in place of E. Dumper and A. Marks.

**STANDISH, LANCASHIRE.**—On Sunday, October 15th, for harvest festival, at the Parish Church, 704 Kent Treble Bob Major, for evensong: R. Taylor 1, J. Worthington 2, T. Grounds 3, J. Booth 4, J. Gray 5, W. E. Austin 6, J. W. Grounds 7, E. Birchall (conductor) 8.

**ARMLEY, YORKS.**—On Sunday, Oct. 15th, for evening service, 960 Treble Bob Major: Arthur Coldrick 1, P. Whiteley 2, F. Blacketh 4, H. Blacketh 5, G. Robinson 6, A. Fieldhouse 7, J. Thackray (conductor) 8. Longest length by ringers of the 3rd, 5th and 7th. Longest length of Major by the ringer of the treble, and longest of Major as conductor by the tenor ringer.

**COTGRAVE, NOTTS.**—On Sunday, October 15th, for afternoon service, 720 Single Court Minor, in 26½ mins.: G. Allbones 1, W. White (conductor) 2, W. Hickling 3, D. Burton 4, W. E. White 5, T. Squires 6; and for evening service, 720 Oxford Bob Minor, in 26 mins.: G. Allbones 1, W. E. White 2, W. Hickling 3, D. Burton 4, T. Squires 5, W. White (conductor) 6. Rung on the occasion of the harvest festival, and to celebrate the birthdays of D. Burton and W. Hickling.

**EXETER.**—At the Cathedral, for harvest festival, on October 15th, 503 Grandsire Caters: F. Davey (conductor) 1, T. Laver 2, W. Lethbridge 3, T. Bartlett 4, J. Moss 5, F. Gardner 6, F. Murphy 7, J. Sandover 8, G. Betts 9, C. Glass and A. Mitchell 10. Also a 210: J. Oke 1, T. Bartlett 2, C. Carter 3, W. Lethbridge 4, T. Laver 5, F. Gardner 6, F. Murphy 7, G. Betts 8, F. Davey 9, A. Mitchell and W. Rogers 10.

**LEICESTER.**—On Sunday evening, October 15th, at St. John-the-Divine, the last 742 from Holt's Original, Grandsire Triples: Reg. Summers 1, F. Kilborn 2, W. Aldridge 3, W. Willson (conductor) 4, T. Vallance 5, I. Harris 6, J. Smith 7, R. Hubbard 8. Longest touch by ringer of the treble.

**STOW-ON-THE-WOLD, GLOS.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 15th, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): H. E. Gillett 1, J. Collett 2, H. Packer 3, E. Parden 4, F. E. Davis 5, T. Banning 6, W. Large (conductor) 7, G. Eugh 8. Also after service, 338 and 532 in the same method.

**WHITCHURCH, GLAM.**—At St. Mary's Church, for harvest festival, morning service, on Sunday, Oct. 15th, a quarter-peal of Doubles (1,260 changes), in three methods, Canterbury Plain Bob and Grand-

sire: R. Bailey 1, W. Biss (conductor) 2, F. J. Bailey, senr., 3, L. Wright 4, F. J. Bailey, junr., 5, F. Wright 6. Also 120 Stedman Doubles.

**SOUTHWARK.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for evening service, at St. Saviour's, Southwark, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes) of Stedman Triples, in 57 mins.: H. R. Newton (conductor) 1, F. G. Symonds 2, C. F. Winney 3, A. B. Peck 4, W. T. Cockerill 5, H. T. Langdon 6, W. Rushton 7, A. Howell tenor (52 cwt.).

**WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 47 mins.: F. Grundy 1, W. Jones 2, S. Harrison 3, J. Donner (Walkden) 4, J. Ridyard 5, J. T. Potter (Eccles) 6, John Potter (conductor, Walkden) 7, A. Burton (Walkden) 8. Rung for the harvest festival.

**PORTISHEAD.**—At St. Peter's Church, on Sunday, Oct. 8th, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: C. O. Grieves 1, Miss A. Stokes 2, E. Goldstone 3, \*Miss D. Coombs 4, J. Nisbet 5, \*Miss E. Dobbs 6, W. Gillingham (conductor) 7, C. Carey 8. \* First quarter-peal.

**SAFFRON WALDEN.**—On Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, for harvest thanksgiving service, 12 members of the Saffron Walden Society rang a touch of 1,152 Stedman Cinques: F. Pitetow (composer and conductor) 1, A. E. Pitetow 2, A. F. James 3, L. E. Pitetow 4, F. Dench 5, G. Sparrow 6, J. F. Penning 7, E. A. Pitetow 8, R. Strong 9, A. Erenett 10, F. J. Pitetow 11, W. Parish 12.

**BRISTOL.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, at the Church of SS. Philip and Jacob, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), Thursdays: \*Mrs. E. J. Brown 1, E. J. Brown (conductor) 2, Miss A. Brown 3, F. E. Tyler 4, I. Long 5, F. W. Wade 6, J. R. Jones 7, \*F. Tyler, junr., 8. \* Longest length in the method.

**BAGSHOT, SURREY.**—At St. Anne's Church, on Sunday morning, October 8th, for service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: Miss K. Corbett (first quarter-peal) 1, Miss Stevens 2, Miss L. Stevens 3, J. Corbett 4, T. Gould 5, H. Chaffey (conductor) 6, J. Crocker 7, F. Nye 8.

**ICKLETON, CAMBS.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for evening service, 720 Woodbine, in 26½ mins.: P. C. L. Brookes 1, R. Clements 2, P. Webb 3, J. Webb 4, W. Flitton (conductor) 5, A. G. Lilley 6.

**HOUNSLOW.**—At St. Paul's Church, on Sunday, October 8th, on the occasion of the unveiling of the War Memorial, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, with the bells half-muffled, in 46 mins.: D. G. Archer 1, A. Beckensale 2, J. Kent 3, C. J. Tricker 4, A. Diserens 5, A. Harding 6, G. Spencer (conductor) 7, J. Milner 8.

**CROYDON.**—At St. Peter's Church, for harvest festival, on Sunday, October 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: T. G. Banister (first quarter-peal) 1, W. Gammon 2, F. Larbey 3, C. Dean 4, D. Wright (conductor) 5, W. Bulpitt 6, C. Kitching 7, G. Burt 8.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.**—On Sunday, October 8th, at St. Peter's Church, for harvest festival 504 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. W. Wolstencroft 1, Miss Ida Wolstencroft 2, Miss E. Grimshaw 3, Miss Ada Wolstencroft 4, Miss Thorp 5, Arthur Wright 6, W. W. Wolstencroft (conductor) 7, Dan Wolstencroft 8.

**NORTHAMPTON.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday, October 8th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Superlative Surprise Major: W. G. Farey 1, A. P. Hensman 2, J. T. Hensman 3, J. C. Dean 4, W. Farey 5, H. Rainbow 6, W. J. Allen (conductor) 7, H. Blundell 8. Rung for the harvest festival, and as a birthday compliment to the youngest son of the ringer of the 4th.

**LONDON.**—At Southwark Cathedral, on Sunday, Oct. 8th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 58 mins. (tenor 51 cwt.): H. R. Newton (conductor) 1, F. G. Symonds 2, C. F. Winney 3, A. B. Peck 4, W. T. Cockerill 5, H. Langdon 6, W. Rushton 7, A. Howell 8.

**CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.**—At the Priory Church, for harvest festival services, on Sunday evening, Oct. 8th, in 50 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters: G. Preston (conductor) 1, E. Hinton 2, E. C. Elliott (Lyvington), 1st quarter-peal of Caters, 3, R. Vincent 4, G. Stone 5, L. Stone 6, F. Sparshott 7, A. Woolf 8, A. Best 9, W. G. Fowler 10.—On the preceding Thursday a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, on the back eight, in 45 mins.: S. White 1, E. Hinton 2, A. Heath 3, G. Stone 4, F. Sparshott 5, G. Preston 6, W. G. Fowler (conductor) 7, H. Preston 8.

**BARLEY, HERTS.**—On Sunday, October 8th, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. Mansfield 1, H. Howard 2, W. Tack (first in the method as conductor) 3, W. Sermons 4, A. Howard 5, R. Howard 6.—On Sunday, October 15th, for morning service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob Minor: A. Howard 1, H. Howard 2, W. Tack 3, W. Mansfield 4, W. Sermons 5, R. Howard (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, October 22nd, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: N. Haves 1, F. Haves 2, H. Howard 3, W. Mansfield 4, W. Sermons (conductor) 5, R. Howard 6.

**SOMERSET CHURCH TOWERS.****REV. C. C. PARKER REPLIES TO PREBENDARY FARRER'S ALLEGATION.**

The Master of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association (the Rev. C. C. Parker), who is Rector of Corston, contributes to the current issue of the 'Diocesan Gazette' an appeal for the encouragement of bell ringing, and expresses doubt concerning the recent allegation (made by Prebendary Farrer) that church bells are responsible for the disrepair of towers. Mr. Parker adds: 'I think such instances are exceedingly rare, while, on the other hand, there would be little difficulty in finding many cases where the addition of bells has been accompanied by the strengthening and thorough repair of towers. In my own parish there was a large bell hung in a frame in a dilapidated condition, and when rung a menace to the walls of the tower, but now, with eight bells hung in a scientifically built frame, and the tower repaired, there is practically no danger of damage to its stability.'

Change ringers, the Rector of Corston continues, are far from being indifferent to the care of the tower. He concludes by observing: 'I regard it as a grave error to discourage in any way the enthusiasm of change ringers. Their associations have raised the morale and tone of ringers throughout the country, and their work has been a true work for God and His church. If for the glory of God and the exercise of greater efficiency in their art, a band of ringers seek with their incumbent to increase the number of their bells, all honour to them; their aim should not be lightly condemned or thwarted. The church towers of Somerset are the glory of Somerset, but the bells are the glory of the towers, and the more beautiful we can make them to the ear, as well as to the eye, the more will their value be enhanced.'

The letter which Major J. H. B. Hesse addressed to Prebendary Farrer, showing how modern bell hanging can strengthen a tower, instead of leading to damage of the fabric, has brought a very nice reply. It points to Prebendary Farrer having become really interested in the right direction, and he is now studying Sir Arthur Heywood's book, 'Bell Towers and Bell Hanging.'

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.****DEVIZES BRANCH VISIT WESTBURY.**

A quarterly meeting of the Devizes Branch was held at Westbury on Saturday, October 7th, and was well attended by ringers from Bristol, Frome, Weymouth, Salisbury, Wells, Chippenham, Swindon, Melksham, Trowbridge, Bradford-on-Avon, Devizes, Warminster, Holt, Bratton, Keevil, Rowde and Westbury. The massive peal (tenor 35 cwt.) was rung at 2.40, and the bells kept going in various methods till 4.40, when the company assembled in the church for the Guild service. This was conducted by the Rev. C. F. Burrell, as the Vicar, the Rev. E. C. Alexander was unable to be present. The grand old church was beautifully decorated for the harvest festival services on the morrow, and the Guild service, following the deep music of the bells, was most impressive.

Tea, to which nearly 50 sat down, was followed by the business meeting.

The Chairman (Mr. C. D. Heginbotham) extended a hearty welcome to the visiting ringers.

The Secretary reported that £2 5s. 6d. had been collected in the branch, and forwarded to Mr. L. Harris, Salisbury, towards the W. W. Gifford Memorial Fund, and 10s. had been received that day, which would make a total of £2 15s. 6d.

One new life ringing member, Mr. H. J. Scammell, of Frome, and two ringing members, Messrs. P. Chapman and W. G. Holloway, of Westbury, were elected to the Guild.

The next three meetings were decided upon as follows: Rowde and Bromham, on Nov. 4th; Bradford-on-Avon, Dec. 2nd; and the annual at Devizes on Jan. 6th.

The Chairman reported that the course of instruction in change ringing granted by the Guild to the Bratton ringers was completed.

—Mr. B. Cook, secretary to the Bratton company, said they were well satisfied with the course of instruction given, and they all very much appreciated the kindness and care of the instructor, Mr. S. J. Hector, Trowbridge, as a result of which they rang their first 120 Grandfire Doubles unaided for harvest festival services the previous Sunday.

Mr. C. H. Jennings, Sec., Dorchester Branch; Mr. W. A. Cave, St. Stephen's, Bristol; Mr. A. W. Seviour, St. James', Bristol, each thanked Mr. Heginbotham for his welcome, and expressed their pleasure in being present at such a successful branch meeting, and in being enabled to ring on such a fine peal of bells.—Mr. F. Romaine and Mr. C. Mountford, of the Salisbury branch, also expressed the hope that their own branch would soon wake up, no meetings having been held for a very long time.

The Rev. C. F. Burrell was heartily thanked for conducting the service, and the Vicar for the use of the bells, etc., to which the Rev. Burrell suitably replied.—The ringers adjourned to the tower, and some good touches of Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Stedman and Grandfire Triples were rung.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.****NORTHERN DIVISION.**

By the kind permission of the Rev. A. J. Walker, Vicar of Malton, the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association held their quarterly meeting at Malton on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Although the meeting was not a very large one, the visiting ringers made good use of the privilege afforded them, and during the afternoon and evening the fine peal of eight bells were kept going in various touches of the more popular methods. A short service was held in the church, at which the Rev. A. J. Walker, who is an honorary member of the association, addressed the ringers, extending to them a hearty welcome to the tower, and expressing his appreciation of the work of bell ringers.

Tea was provided at Clark's Cafe, followed by a business meeting, presided over by Mr. Bourne, churchwarden of the Parish Church, Scarborough, in the absence of the Rev. E. Drage, Vicar of Pickering, and vice-president of the association.

Armistice Day, being this year on a Saturday, it was decided that a peal be attempted at the Parish Church, Scarborough, in commemoration of this event.

The visiting ringers greatly regretted the absence of the Malton ringers, both at tea and the meeting, as they had hoped, by holding the meeting at Malton, to elicit their help and gain their interest in the work of the association.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Rev. A. J. Walker for his kindly welcome and the ready help he is always ready to extend to the ringers.

**PRESENTATIONS AT GLOUCESTER.****DEPARTURE OF CAPT. A. A. BENNETT.**

A well-attended meeting of the Gloucester and District Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association was held on Saturday week in the parish of St. Mary de Lode. Proceedings commenced with a short service in the church, at which Captain A. A. Bennett, of the Church Army, late hon. secretary of the branch, gave a very helpful and appropriate address, based on Genesis i. 1.

Following the service the company adjourned to St. Catharine's School Room, where a capital tea had been provided by Mrs. Bennett and friends, to which those assembled (40 in number) did full justice. At the business meeting the chairman of the branch (Mr. Walter B. Wood) presided, and after various routine matters had been disposed of, the Chairman announced that the special object of the meeting was to say farewell and bid godspeed to Captain and Mrs. Bennett, who were shortly leaving to take up a fresh sphere of work in New Zealand. They did so with very great regret, for their presence among them would be very greatly missed. The Association, however, would ever remember their kindly and genial influence, and more especially the splendid and successful manner in which Captain Bennett had furthered the interest of the branch during his term of office. He (the chairman) had the greatest possible pleasure in asking Captain Bennett's acceptance of a watch, suitably inscribed, and Mrs. Bennett's acceptance of a book of 'Sketches of Old Gloucester,' remarking that although the gifts were small, many of the subscribers being only working men and some out of work, they conveyed the heartiest good wishes of the members of the Association.

Captain Bennett, in returning thanks on behalf of Mrs. Bennett and himself, said it came as a very great surprise to know that their small services had been so greatly appreciated, but the knowledge of this fact gave them the greatest satisfaction, and they would always remember in the far-off country to which they were going their many happy associations with the Gloucester ringers.

**BLETCHLEY RINGERS' OUTING.**

The ringers of St. Mary's, Bletchley, had their annual outing on Saturday, October 14th, in the neighbourhood of Reading. Mr. R. T. Hibbert, the hon. secretary of the Oxford Guild, had made the arrangements in his district, and met the party of twelve upon their arrival at the Biscuit town at 10.30 a.m. Caversham tower was the first objective, and here the visitors were greeted by the Master of the Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn), and other Caversham ringers, viz., Mr. A. D. Cullam, Mr. Menday and Miss Davis. Several touches were rung, and then the party adjourned to dinner, an ample meal which had been provided by Mr. and Mrs. Hibbert, and over which the Master presided. The afternoon was occupied by a car run to Sonning and Shiplake, at both of which villages ringing was indulged in, and places of note visited. After tea, at Caversham, another visit was paid to the tower, and touches in various methods, including Superlative and Cambridge Surprise, were rung. After a social hour with local friends, train was taken at 10 p.m., and Bletchley reached at 1.15 on Sunday morning. Thanks were extended to Mrs. Hibbert, who was responsible for the catering, and to all those who helped to provide such an enjoyable day.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WORKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—The 285th Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 11th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 7/6 each, may be obtained from any of the following committee: Messrs. J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, P. E. Clark, W. T. Cockerill, G. R. Fardon, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, R. T. Hibbert, E. Horrex, C. H. Horton, A. Howell, A. A. Hughes, W. J. Kemp, H. Langdon, A. R. Macdonald, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, A. Walker, H. J. Walton, C. F. Winney and E. A. Young. Towers open for ringing from 3.30 to 5.30: St. Giles', Cripplegate; St. Magnus', London Bridge; St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate; 4 to 5 p.m., All Hallows, Barking, Great Tower Street.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames St., 9th & 23rd; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, 14th (election of officers); St. Andrew's, Holborn, 16th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral, 28th. All at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—Next Meeting Nov. 11th, Sheffield Cathedral.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A Monthly meeting of this branch will be held at Earl Shilton, on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 11th, at Hoylandswaine. All ringers welcome.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Secretary.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the Hunts Branch will be held at Hemingford Abbots on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells at Hemingford Abbots (6) and Houghton (5) available from 2 p.m. Service and address 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting.—Rev. H. B. Woolley, Long Stanton, Cambridge.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—The Annual district meeting will be held at Alverstoke, on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells available 2.30. Tea and business 5.30.—E. J. Harding, District Sec., 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch. —The next meeting will be held at Walton-le-Dale, on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Two peal boards will be unveiled.—W. Taylor, Branch Sec., Tower House, Penwortham.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Woolton, on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells ready at 3.30. Service 5.30. Tea and Meeting 6. Tea 6d. Members intending to be present please send word to Sec., Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**LONDON. — ST. CLEMENT YOUTHS.** — St. Clement Danes, Strand, W.C.—Practice every Wednesday evening, 6.30 to 8 o'clock. Ringing on Nov. 12th and 26th, 10 till 11 a.m., also at 2.15 till 3.15 p.m. on Nov. 12th. Armistice Day (Nov. 11th), half-muffled ringing at 11.2 till 11.15 a.m. and 2 till 3 p.m. Visitors to London this weekend will be welcome.—F. W. H. Sergison, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, Nov. 13th and 27th; Bishopsgate, Nov. 20th. Sundays, St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.** — Northern Branch.—A Monthly ringing meeting for practice will be held at Old Hill, on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Bells available at 3 o'clock.—A. J. Skelding, Branch Sec., 7, Cecil Street, Stourbridge.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Wells St., W., on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. Service at 6.30 p.m. All ringers invited. Business meeting at 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Basingstoke on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4.15. Tea in the Church Cottage at 4.45. 6d. per head will be allowed towards the cost of tea to all members informing me not later than Nov. 11th.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dis. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. John's and St. Peter's R.C. Churches, Lytham, on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Business meeting 5.30.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 3, Rutland Gate, Blackpool.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—The Annual meeting of the above will be held at St. Peter's, Bedford, on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Bells available from 2.30. An address by the Rector (Rev. Y. E. Gilbert) at 4.15 at St. Peter's Church. Tea in St. Peter's Hall at 4.45. Business meeting to follow for the election of officers. It is hoped all members will try and attend. All ringers and friends welcome.—H. L. Harlow, Dis. Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

**SALOP GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at Wellington, Salop, on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Ringing and prayers 2.30. Meeting 5 o'clock. Tea at 6, to be ordered per Mr. J. L. Hayward, 12, Haybridge Road, Hadley, near Wellington, or Rev. F. Tennison, St. Alkmund's, Shrewsbury.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Witney and Woodstock Deaneries Branch.—The Autumn meeting will be held at Southleigh on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Service at 3 o'clock, preacher Rev. E. B. Rand. Tea and meeting to follow. Bells available during the day. All ringers welcome.—John Monk, Hon. Branch Sec., 17, Cape Terrace, Witney, Oxon.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Chertsey on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells available from 3 o'clock.



Service at 4.30, tea and meeting afterwards. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, Nov. 21st?—G. Miles, Owlsmoor, Camberley, Surrey.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District. —The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Goole on Saturday, Nov. 25th, by kind consent of the Vicar (the Right Rev. Bishop G. D. Iliff, D.D.). Bells (8) available from 1.30. Service 4 o'clock, at which it is hoped the address will be given by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield. Tea in Church Schools at 5 o'clock (1/6 each) to those who notify Mr. M. Tate, 22, Manuel Street, Goole, not later than Tuesday, Nov. 21st.—A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District. —An interim meeting of the above will be held at Biddenden on Saturday, Nov. 25th, by kind permission of the Rector (Rev. Collis). Ringing to commence at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. All members intending to be present must notify me not later than Tuesday, Nov. 21st.—C. Tribe, Hon. Dis. Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Wymondham on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells available 2 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m. It is hoped all who can will attend.—George T. Peggall, Dist. Sec.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Nprwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

#### HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

SET OF 51 HANDBELLS, Chromatic Scale, F.26 to G.04, in good condition.—Price £20.—Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Stockport.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Ringer requires Situation, any suitable job will be accepted. Many years as WAREHOUSEMAN. Instructor on 6 and 8 bells, with little experience of 10, tower and handbells. Permanency preferred.—A. S. Morris, 5, King's Head St., Harwich, Essex.

#### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS.

The ringing friends of the Midlands, also many at a distance, send hearty congratulations to Mr. William Rock Small on his 83rd birthday, and wish him 'many happy returns,' and may God bless him.

#### DEATH OF A BICESTER RINGER.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. R. Neal, who was for many years a ringer at Bicester. Deceased was an active member of the band until a 'stroke' prevented him taking any further part in ringing. Afterwards he moved to Birmingham, where he died. His body was brought to Bicester on Friday week for interment on the following day, and at the service a course of Triples was rung over the grave by F. Neal 1—2, E. Hims 3—4, B. Cox 5, J. Grimsley 6, E. A. Clifton 7—8. After the service a touch was rung on the bells, which were half-muffled, and in the evening a quarter-peal of Triples were rung by E. A. Clifton 1, R. Elkerton 2, J. Grimsley 3, F. Neal 4, B. Cox 5, F. Sharpe 6, E. Hims 7, T. Clifton 8.

#### MORE SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**PORTSEA, HANTS.**—On Sunday, October 15th, for evensong, at St. Mary's, 504 Stedman Triples: J. J. Symons 1, O. Groves 2, J. D. Harris 3, T. R. Taylor 4, W. Tate 5, R. J. Stone 6, E. J. Harding, senr., 7, F. W. Rogers (conductor) 8.—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for evensong, 504 Stedman Triples: F. W. Rogers 1, T. R. Taylor 2, C. Groves 3, P. W. Cave (conductor) 4, W. Tate 5, R. J. Stone 6, E. J. Harding, junr., 7, E. J. Harding, senr., 8.

**LITTLEBOURNE.**—At St. Vincent's Church, on Sunday, Oct. 15th, 720 Kent Treble Bob, before evensong, by the local band: H. Stringer 1, P. Smith (conductor) 2, J. P. Cobbold 3, W. Savage 4, E. Bye 5, A. Johnson 6. This was a unique event, as Mr. P. Smith celebrated his 21st birthday on that day, and it was his first attempt at calling a 720.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, October 15th, for evening service, at St. Mary's, Rotherhithe, S.E., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: A. J. Neale 1, S. E. Moya 2, T. W. Taffender, junr., 3, J. S. Hawkins 4, G. J. Harman 5, G. Shipp 6, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 7, C. Chapman (first quarter-peal) 8.

**LEICESTER.**—At St. Margaret's Church, on October 15th, for evening service, 756 Grandsire Caters: G. S. Morris 1, F. Sharman 2, A. Ballard 3, T. Bent 4, E. Whitehead 5, H. Peach 6, J. Morris 7, C. Cattell 8, E. Morris (conductor) 9, J. Grant 10.

**CLAPHAM.**—On Sunday, Oct. 15th, at St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, S.W.12, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: Mrs. A. T. Smalley 1, Miss Hardcastle 2, Miss Orr 3, Miss M. Philip 4, J. S. Higgins 5, A. T. Smalley 6, E. M. Atkins (conductor) 7, W. Wilson 8.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

➤ GREAT REDUCTIONS. ➤

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,  
COVENTRY.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

**Leading Church Bell Hangers.**

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.  
GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.  
STANDARD METHODS, 5th Edition, 2s. 10d.  
STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.  
TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.  
PART II.—At present out of print.  
DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.  
All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s. d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..	4
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble— Dominated Methods) ... ..	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ...	1 0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

**JOHN PRITCHARD,**

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price ...	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 85/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Roll's House Publishing Co., Ltd., Broad-  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 608. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### A STEP FORWARD.

The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association came to an important decision at their annual meeting, when a resolution was passed binding the Association to accept the rulings of the Central Council. As far as memory serves, this is only the second resolution of the kind which has been passed, a similar rule having been introduced by the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association, when the constitution was drawn up a few months ago. This action on the part of affiliated societies is a step in the right direction, in forming a stronger link between the central body and those organisations by which it is elected.

Hitherto the Central Council has been a body too detached to be looked upon by the County and Diocesan Associations and Guilds as a really paramount authority in ringing affairs, and it was only three or four years ago, that an effort was made to ascertain from the associations whether they were prepared to accept the decisions of the Council as binding. Of those who expressed an opinion, the majority were against taking this line, largely because the Council would have no practical way of enforcing its views. And by that line of argument, they were right in the attitude which they took up. On the other hand, so weak was the connecting link between the Council and the associations, that more than half failed to take any action upon the matter, which, after all, was an important one. That the decision not to give the Council powers which it could not enforce would have been reversed, had all the affiliated societies come to a decision, is hardly to be supposed, but the action which the two associations above mentioned have taken, opens up the question from an entirely different standpoint.

If all the societies were to come to a like decision, and of their own volition resolve to accept the Council's rulings as final and binding, remembering all the while that the individual organisations themselves elect the men to make these decisions, then much will be done to make the Council the real force in ringing that it should be. The Council ought to be in reality, instead of merely in name, the central authority to deal with ringing matters and the final Court of Appeal in questions of dispute. That it is not so accepted universally is because there has been no binding tie between them, and also because, it must be assumed, the associations have not sufficient confidence in the men they elect. If the other organisations will follow the lead which has now been given, and individually undertake to accept the Council's decisions, it will give the central body that prestige and authority which it ought to hold, and impose upon the associations the responsibility of electing to represent them their best men and those in whom they have confidence.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

Messrs. **CHARLES CARR, Ltd.**

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

**JOHN NICOLL,**

**Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.**

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

**Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

PONTEFRAC.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Nov. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt. 0 qr. 19 lb.

BERNARD MOODY ... .. Treble	JOHN CARTER ... .. 6
JOHN H. LENTON ... .. 2	HARRY C. WALTERS... .. 7
JOHN E. PICKARD ... .. 3	ARTHUR WALKER, SEN. ... 8
WILLIAM H. HAWLEY ... 4	JOHN FRER ... .. 9
ARTHUR WALKER, JUN. ... 5	THOMAS HOLDER ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by H. C. WALTERS.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 8th, also in honour of the election of Councillor R. P. Husband, J.P., as Mayor.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.

JOHN FLINT... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. HILL ... .. 6
REV. R. F. WILKINSON ... 2	A. CONINGSBY-WRIGHT ... 7
JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 3	HAROLD G. JENNEY ... .. 8
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 4	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 9
SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 5	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by H. J. POOLE.

\* First peal of Cambridge Royal. First in the method on the bells.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

PULFORD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.

GEORGE R. JONES ... .. Treble	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. 5
EDWARD HARRISON ... .. 3	JAMES SWINDLEY... .. 6
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 4	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 7

EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

Arranged for W. Saunders, of Coalbrookdale, and E. V. Rodenhurst, of Hodnet, Salop. Rung, after meeting short, without a cover.

EARL SHILTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(THE SS. SIMON & JUDE SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

† P. REYNOLDS ... .. Treble	C. H. WEBB ... .. 5
T. H. WRIGHT ... .. 2	† S. COE... .. 6
A. WATERS... .. 3	J. W. REYNOLDS ... .. 7
F. WILSON ... .. 4	* H. FOLLYLOVE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. W. REYNOLDS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Triples. First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells, also first peal and first attempt by the local band. Rung as a welcome to the Rev. Henry Tower, M.V.O., Rector of Windsor (son of the late F. E. Tower, first Vicar of Earl Shilton), who was paying Earl Shilton a visit; also for the Feast of Dedication.

**ALFRED BOWELL,  
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,  
IPSWICH.**

**PULHAM MARKET NORFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Oct. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb.	
WILLIAM IRELAND ... .. Treble	ROBERT H. BRUNDLE ... .. 5
ROBERT WHITING ... .. 2	FREDERICK H. SMITH ... .. 6
DAVID COLLINS ... .. 3	FREDERICK KNIGHTS, SEN. ... 7
GEORGE MURTON ... .. 4	JOHN SODTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOHN SODTER.  
 The above ringers are all over 70 years of age.

**THORVERTON, DEVON.**  
**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS A BECKET,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor 17 cwt.	
WILLIAM J. SOUTHWOOD ... Treble	CHARLES G. GLASS ... .. 5
JOHN C. OKE ... .. 2	WILLIAM C. WAKLEY ... .. 6
FREDERICK J. MILFORD ... 3	FRANK J. DAVEY ... .. 7
HARRY POOK ... .. 3	FRANK H. GARDNER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK J. DAVEY.

Ringers of the 1st, 2nd, 5th, 7th and 8th hail from Exeter, 6th from Dawlish, 3rd and 4th are local men.

**CHESTER.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.	
JOHN W. DAVIES ... .. Treble	JAMES SWINDLEY ... .. 5
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 2	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. 6
GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 3	ARTHUR WATKIN ... .. 7
JOHN HAYES ... .. 4	JAMES H. RIDING ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

**WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.**  
**THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, Nov. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.	
*EDWARD LANKESTER ... Treble	†WILLIAM E. JUDD ... .. 5
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 2	THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 6
†WALTER G. MATTHEWS ... 3	CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. 7
BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... .. 4	HARRY KILBY ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by HARRY KILBY.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Oxford Treble Bob. First peal of Major as conductor.

**KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.**  
**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
 (WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, Nov. 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb.	
*ALBERT E. DOLLIMORE ... Treble	ALFRED J. ROGERS ... .. 5
LOUIS A. WALKER ... .. 2	REGINALD S. COOK ... .. 6
ALBERT E. WEEDEN ... .. 3	ARTHUR HILL ... .. 7
WALTER AYRE ... .. 4	JAMES HAYWOOD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal on eight bells. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung in honour of the golden wedding of the parents of L. A. Walker, and also as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd.

**ROLVENDEN, KENT.**—For the harvest festival, on Sunday evening, October 15th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. (composed by H. G. Miles): Miss R. Thomas 1, W. A. Penfold 2, W. H. Lambert 3, L. Hones 4, G. Billenness (conductor) 5, E. R. Burgess 6, B. Baker 7, A. Blackman 8.

**BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
 (NORTHERN BRANCH)

On Wednesday, Oct. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.	
HARRY HOLDEN ... .. Treble	JOHN LLOYD ... .. 5
WALTER MASTERS ... .. 2	*EDWARD T. LLOYD ... .. 6
WILLIAM POTTER ... .. 3	CHARLES E. PERKINS ... .. 7
THOMAS WILLIAMS ... .. 4	ROBERT GORDON ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. TAYLOR. Conducted by CHARLES E. PERKINS.

\* First peal in the method with a bob bell.

**PULHAM, NORFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH**  
**DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Thursday, Nov. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in F.	
FREDERICK BORRETT ... Treble	*EDWIN GOATE ... .. 5
HERBERT PIERCY ... .. 2	JAMES BOUGHTON ... .. 6
CHARLES BAKER ... .. 3	JOHN SNELLING ... .. 7
ERNEST WHITING ... .. 4	CHARLES ROOPE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. BORRETT.

\* First peal in the method.

**WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.**  
**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON**  
**DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.	
CHARLES T. COLES ... Treble	GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 5
CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. 2	GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 6
WILLIAM PYE ... .. 3	HARRY KILBY ... .. 7
CYRIL PEASE ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Rung on the 4th anniversary of the signing of the Armistice, also as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 4th and 5th.

**PORT SUNLIGHT, CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
 AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.	
*EDWARD W. ELWELL ... Treble	THOS. ROGERS ... .. 5
†WALTER J. BATTLE ... .. 2	JOHN EVANS ... .. 6
JOHN COOKE ... .. 3	HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. 7
*CLAUDE S. BENWELL ... 4	SYDNEY F. BARNES ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by H. LUDKIN.

\* First peal of Major and first attempt. † First peal of Bob Major with an 'inside' bell. Rung for the anniversary of the final victory of the Allies and in honour of Lord Leverhulme; also to celebrate the 23rd anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Barnes, and as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. Cooke.

**LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE.**  
**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

with 7-6-8 covering.

Being 42 six-scores with 10 different callings. Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qr.	
*J. JENKINS ... .. Treble	†A. C. NASON ... .. 5
*W. J. BENIAMS ... .. 2	*T. W. NASH ... .. 6
*J. G. NASH ... .. 3	H. JONES ... .. 7
*W. R. NASH ... .. 4	*F. T. MASSEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. R. NASH.

\* First peal. † First peal on an 'inside' bell. First peal on the bells by a local band. Rung with the bells half-muffled on Remembrance Day.



**EX-SERVICE MEN'S PEAL.**

LEICESTER.

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
ON THE ROYAL MEMORIAL BELLS OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

*WILLIAM ALDRIDGE, M.T., A.S.C. ... .. Treble	THOMAS H. VALLANCE, Leicester Regt. ... .. 4
*FRED KILBORN, Northants Regt. ... .. 2	E. HARRY STONELY, R.A. 5
*L. WILLIAM JACQUES, R.A.M.C. ... .. 3	*JOHN A. SMITH, R.E. ... 6
	WILLIAM WILLSON, R.A.F. 7
	*RALPH HUBBARD, R.G.A. ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

Rung with the bells half muffled in memory of the fallen. \* First peal of Stedman Triples.

WORCESTER.

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

(WESTERN BRANCH &amp; THE ALL SAINTS' YOUTHS.)

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

WILLIAM C. JONES ... .. Treble	GEORGE HINTON, JUN. ... 5
FRANCIS W. NEATE ... .. 2	WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 6
*JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 7
SIDNEY T. HOLT ... .. 4	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by W. PAGE.

First peal of London on the bells, in the City of Worcester and by the Western Branch. Rung on the fourth anniversary of signing the Armistice. First peal in the method by all the band except W. C. Jones.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

VICARS' SIX-PART.

G. PINCOTT ... .. Treble	J. E. MARKLAND ... .. 5
P. NOTTALL ... .. 2	*J. M. HOWARTH ... .. 6
F. MORRIS ... .. 3	W. PENNINGTON ... .. 7
T. BRATBY ... .. 4	*J. LEATHER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. PENNINGTON.

\* First peal. The ringer of the 5th belongs to All Souls' Church, he rest to the local band.

NORTHAMPTON.

**THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. Treble	FRED HOPPER ... .. 5
BERTIE O. SODEN ... .. 2	JOHN METHERELL ... .. 6
FRED WILFORD ... .. 3	TOM TEBBUTT ... .. 7
JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. 4	WILLIAM G. FAREY ... Tenor

Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.

Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a mark of respect to the late William J. Allen, of All Saints' Church, and for Armistice day.

THERAPSTON, NORTHANTS.

**THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. 7 lb.

JAMES M. NICKERSON ... .. Treble	†CYRIL WILSON ... .. 5
*JOHN COLEMAN ... .. 2	GEORGE JEFFES ... .. 6
LEONARD J. WYMAN ... .. 3	†THOMAS WILSON ... .. 7
†ARTHUR B. BELLAMY ... .. 4	LESLIE GROOM ... .. Tenor

Composed by E. J. GALE. Conducted by JAMES M. NICKERSON.

\* First peal in the method with a working bell. † First peal in the Method, and rung at the first attempt. Rung in memory of those from this parish who fell in the Great War, one being a member of this belfry.

CONDOVER, SHROPSHIRE.

**THE ST. CHAD'S SOCIETY, SHREWSBURY.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.

*ALBERT L. SHORT ... .. Treble	REGINALD R. POLE ... .. 5
GEORGE JONES ... .. 2	*DENIS J. BOUCHER ... .. 6
JAMES E. LILLEY ... .. 3	*WALTER FAIRHEAD ... .. 7
*WILLIAM B. KYNASTON ... 4	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by CHAS. R. LILLEY.  
\* First peal of Bob Major. All are Sunday service ringers at St. Chad's.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr.

WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. TILLET ... 5
JAMES DURRANT ... .. 2	H. CHARLES GILLINGHAM 6
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... .. 3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... 7
†CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 4	*FREDERICK GILLINGHAM ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

\* First peal. † 100th peal for the above Association. Rung with half-muffled clappers on the anniversary of Armistice Day and unveiling of St. Margaret's War Memorial.

WRITTLE, ESSEX.

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES,**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 18½ cwt.

THOMAS LINCOLN ... .. Treble	JOHN WOOD ... .. 5
ARTHUR EDWARDS ... .. 2	EDWARD P. BUCKINGHAM ... 6
HENRY HEAD ... .. 3	WILLIAM LINCOLN ... .. 7
FREDK. G. RADLEY ... .. 4	ARTHUR HEAD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM LINCOLN.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.

**THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30 cwt.

*FRANK L. WHITEMAN ... .. Treble	*HORACE E. C. GOODENOUGH 5
THOMAS J. HULL ... .. 2	*HARRY HOLICK ... .. 6
JOHN MALYAN ... .. 3	*LEWIS A. GOODENOUGH ... 7
†WILLIAM LITTLE ... .. 4	WALTER AYRE ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by W. AYRE.

\* First peal of Bob Major. † First peal. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Miss Gwendolen F. Glossop to Dr. Kenneth Leslie Bates, and as a Reveillé after the Armistice Requiems.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF IMMANUEL,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*WALTER STEVENSON ... .. Treble	†TOM STANCLIFFE ... .. 5
JAMES SHAW ... .. 2	JONATHAN WHIRWELL ... 6
†EDWIN OGDEN ... .. 3	†WILLIAM H. HUNTER ... 7
†LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... 4	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... Tenor

Composed by O. LANG.

Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

\* First peal. † First peal in method. Rung by ex-Service men of the above branch in memory of their fallen comrades. Ringers of 1, 3 and 7 from Burnley, 2 and 6 from Oswaldtwistle, 4 from Church Kirk, and 5 and 8 from Blackburn.

HESTON.—On Sunday morning, October 15th, for service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. Rose 1, W. Lewis 2, C. S. Bird 3, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 4, J. Kent 5, A. Harding 6 H. C. Chandler 7, A. Lewis 8.

WARNHAM, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Margaret.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr.

GEORGE WOODMAN ... .. Treble	WALTER CHARMAN ... .. 5
JOHN AKEHURST ... .. 2	PETER CHARMAN ... .. 6
JAMES BURFIELD ... .. 3	JOHN COOK ... .. 7
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 4	WILLIAM STANFORD ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 332). Conducted by F. BENNETT.

This peal was arranged as a compliment to Mr. J. Akehurst, of Capel, on his 67th birthday.

DORKING, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Martin.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

GEORGE COOK ... .. Treble	JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 5
JOHN BEAMS ... .. 2	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 4	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK HOPGOOD. Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

First peal in the method on the bells.

NORTH ELMHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

GEORGE LOVE ... .. Treble	HARRY R. LOVE ... .. 5
†FREDERICK HOWSON ... .. 2	†WALTER BURROWS ... .. 6
ROBERT MARSH ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. HOWSON ... .. 7
*FREDERICK LOVE ... .. 4	FREDERICK R. WILBY ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by WILLIAM J. HOWSON.

\* First peal. † First peal of Triples 'inside.' ‡ First peal of Bob Triples. Rung with the bells half muffled on 'Remembrance Day.' The ringers all belong to the local company.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5066 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM GIBBS ... .. Treble	ARTHUR E. WHATMORE ... .. 5
JOHN BASS ... .. 2	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. 6
WILLIAM POTTER ... .. 3	HARRY PRICE ... .. 7
JOHN LLOYD ... .. 4	CHARLES E. PERKINS ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

Rung with the bells half-muffled after the unveiling of a peal board by the Rector (the Rev. H. W. Jones), recording a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major rung half muffled to the memory of the men of Brierley Hill, two of them (Messrs. Jacob Williams and Albert Cook) being ringers, who fell in the Great War.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

ALEC. RICHARDSON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM COLLISON ... .. 5
*HARRY HARRINGTON ... .. 2	WILLIAM LATYER ... .. 6
FREDERICK WHITE ... .. 3	HERBERT MARKWELL ... .. 7
MISS DOROTHY E. ORLEBAR ... .. 4	†STAFFORD H. GREEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by Dr. A. B. CARPENTER. Conducted by S. H. GREEN.

First peal on tower bells in the Tonbridge District in which a resident lady ringer has taken part, and also Miss Orlebar's first peal in any method. \* First peal in the method on an 'inside' bell. † First peal as conductor. Mr. Harrington hails from Tonbridge, the rest belong to the local band.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes.  
At the Church of St. James.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

PERCY MERSON ... .. Treble	ARTHUR R. THORNE ... .. 5
FRANK MILLARD ... .. 2	JAMES HUNT ... .. 6
ALFRED WYATT ... .. 3	EDGAR E. BURGESS ... .. 7
*WILLIAM CORDING ... .. 4	WILLIAM JARR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDGAR E. BURGESS.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute to those who laid down their lives in the Great War.

BUNBURY, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Boniface.

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;**

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

HARRY OVERTON ... .. Treble	*SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. 5
HARRY F. HOLDING ... .. 2	GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 6
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 3	RICHARD T. HOLDING ... .. 7
RICHARD D. LANGFORD ... .. 4	JAMES H. RIDING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal of Surprise with a bob bell. Rung in honour of Armistice Day and as a birthday compliment to ringers of the 3rd & 6th.

SHILDON, DURHAM.  
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
At the Parish Church.

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr.

*SAM BRYANT ... .. Treble	ALBERT HUNTER ... .. 5
GEO. W. PEVERELL ... .. 2	*HARRY CARPENTER ... .. 6
ALF. COATES ... .. 3	THOS. WICK ... .. 7
FREDK. W. JOHNSON ... .. 4	ROBERT B. ROBINSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES GEORGE. Conducted by G. W. PEVERELL.

\* First peal. S. Bryant was elected a member of the Association before commencing the peal. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of those who fell in the Great War, especially J. and F. Peverell (brothers of 2nd ringer, St. Andrew's, Bishop Auckland), G. W. Tyreman (Shildon) and W. Wick, son of the 7th ringer.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At the Church of St. Margaret.

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt.

GEORGE BAILEY ... .. Treble	ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 5
ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. 2	GEORGE WILSON ... .. 6
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 3	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 7
JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

Previous to the above peal the bells were rung half-muffled. Rung to commemorate the cessation of hostilities in 1918.

GORSEINON, SOUTH WALES.  
THE WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Catherine.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

*ROBERT BAIRD ... .. Treble	ERNEST STITCH ... .. 5
JOHN HAMMOND ... .. 2	WILLIAM DOBBINS ... .. 6
JOHN WILLIAMS ... .. 3	ALBERT J. PITMAN ... .. 7
RONALD ELLIS ... .. 4	WALLACE DOBBINS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by A. J. PITMAN.

\* First peal. Ringers of 2 and 4 belong to Neath, 5 and 7 to Aberavon. Rung slowly with the bells muffled after the unveiling of a memorial to the fallen of this parish. The composition is a five-part peal.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

KNIGHTON, LEICESTER.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 16 six-scores with Extremes and 26 of Grandsire, called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE CLARKE ... .. Treble	W. SYDNEY SHELTON ... .. 3
HERBERT MARKLEY ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. CLARKE ... .. 4
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

Credit is due to the treble ringer, this being his first peal attempt. He is only 13½ years of age. Rung as a compliment on the birthday of Mr. Joe E. Sykes.

BEDFIELD.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Oct. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

* DAVID READ ... .. Treble	ERNEST CURTISS ... .. 4
FRANK RUFFLES ... .. 2	PERCY POTTER ... .. 5
GEORGE STANNARD ... .. 3	WALTER RUFFLES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER RUFFLES.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor.

ST. MARY CRAY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Nov. 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three 720's of College Single and four of Plain Bob.

JAMES HURRELL ... .. Treble	† PERCY BRETT-SMITH ... .. 4
† FRANK GORRINGE ... .. 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... .. 5
* RALPH BEARD ... .. 3	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

\* First peal. † First peal of Minor. Rung for the festival of All Saints and half-muffled, as a token of respect to the wife of Mr. F. Fraser, of Eltham, who died under tragic circumstances on Tuesday, Oct. 24th.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Nov. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three 720's of Oxford and four of Kent. Tenor 8cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

WILLIAM POWELL ... .. Treble	JAMES BLAKE ... .. 4
JOHN J. BRVAN ... .. 2	ROBERT E. SEMMERS ... .. 5
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES BLAKE.

First peal as conductor.

EAST CROMPTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Merchant's Return and Violet, and two 720's each of Kent and Oxford, each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE WILD ... .. Treble	HARRY OATES ... .. 4
* SAMUEL WAREHAM ... .. 2	† CROMPTON HOWARTH ... .. 5
GEORGE R. TURNER ... .. 3	JOHN BUTTERWORTH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. BUTTERWORTH.

\* First peal. † First peal inside. First peal as conductor. Rung also as a token of respect for the ringer of the treble, who has been a ringer at the above church for nearly 50 years.

A number of peal reports and letters to the Editor are unavoidably held over.

GREAT YELDHAM.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent and Plain Bob, and one of Double Court.

* ARTHUR HARDY ... .. Treble	* GEORGE CUTMORE ... .. 4
BASIL ARGENT ... .. 2	SIMON DACE ... .. 5
FRED WILKIN ... .. 3	HORACE COOPER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HORACE COOPER.

\* First peal and first attempt. Arthur Hardy was elected a member before starting. Rung with the bells half-muffled for Armistice Day.

LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three 720's each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob, and one of Plain Bob.

JAMES WATERSON ... .. Treble	* HERBERT LOWMAN ... .. 4
† CHARLES MCGUINNESS ... .. 2	† WILLIAM BRETLES ... .. 5
GEORGE CHESTER ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. LLOYD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. LLOYD.

\* First peal. † First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor. Rung with the bells half-muffled in grateful remembrance of the fallen.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

CLAPHAM, SURREY.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Nov. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,  
AT 63A, OLD TOWN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPS, 5043 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 16 in B flat.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 1-2	JOHN THOMAS ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 7-8
* CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD 9-10	

Composed by G. T. DALTRY. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: Miss F. JEPSON and MRS. PULLING.

\* First peal of Stedman 'in hand.'

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Nov. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT 90, BLACKMAN LANE,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

JAMES R. KEMP ... .. 1-2	WILLIAM BARTON ... .. 5-6
PERCY J. JOHNSON ... .. 3-4	* JOHN AMBLER ... .. 7-8

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by P. J. JOHNSON.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on handbells by all.

HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Nov. 10, 1922, in Five Hours and Two Minutes,

AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 10,848 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.

Umpire: ROBERT GARNETT.

Performed in remembrance of those who fell in the Great War. The composition was that recently published in the 'Ringing World,' and the peal was successfully tapped at the first attempt.

**Bell Ropes**

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

➤ GREAT REDUCTIONS. ➤

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**

# THE SUGGESTED 'FEDERATION' IN SUFFOLK NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH SECRETARY'S REPLY.

The general secretary of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association, Mr. Arthur L. Coleman, asks us to print the following copy of memorandum addressed to him in a letter dated January 3rd, 1922. This memorandum is signed by the Rev. Francis L'Strange Fawcett, and endorsed by the Rev. H. Drake. Mr. Coleman adds that further comment appears unnecessary upon the statement that appeared in the report of the meeting of the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association in our last issue:

## COPY OF MEMORANDUM.

### RE S.D.A. SCHEME OF FEDERATION.

Points suggested at the meeting of the Suffolk Diocesan Change Ringing Association held at Stowmarket, on Saturday, December 10th, 1921:—

- (1) Two separate associations for Norfolk and Suffolk, i.e.,
  - (a) One for the Diocese of Norwich
  - (b) One for the Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich.
- (2) The Norwich and Ipswich Association to hand over their East Suffolk members to the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association.
- (3) The Norwich and Ipswich Association to change their title or \* revert to their old title, the Norwich Diocesan Change Ringing Association.
 

\* I am not sure that I mentioned the word 'revert'—but if your association was once known as the Norwich Diocesan Change Ringing Association, and later on added the East Suffolk and Ipswich Branch—then certainly 'revert' is the correct word.
- (4) The two associations to federate and hold at least one yearly and friendly meeting.
- (5) Representatives from the Norwich and Ipswich Association and from the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association shall be appointed and meet to go into details re 'Federation' as per the motion passed at the meeting of the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association on December 10th, 1921, at Stowmarket.

Note.—The Deanery of Lothingland, in the county of Suffolk, not being in the Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, is not in-

cluded in the operations of the Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Change Ringing Association.

(Signed) F. L'STRANGE FAWCETT,

Vicar and Rural Dean of Stowmarket.

(Signed) H. DRAKE, Rector of Ufford.

December 31st, 1921.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the N. and E. District of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, November 4th, was attended by over 30 members, who were given good and varied entertainment, and appeared to greatly enjoy the outing. Ringing commenced shortly after three o'clock, and touches in several methods, including London and Cambridge Surprise, Stedman and Double Norwich, were indulged in until 5 p.m., when a short service was held.—The Vicar, the Rev. O. R. Dawson, who gave the association a hearty welcome, addressed the ringers on the subject of their services to God. He urged his hearers to give of their best, both in ringing and in all things.

After the service, tea was served in St. Matthew's Schools, followed by the usual business meeting.—The Chairman (Mr. F. A. Milne) drew the attention of the members to the proposed schemes for a memorial to the late President of the Association.—The Hon. Secretary read the letter which was being circulated amongst the members (and which has already appeared in 'The Ringing World'), and asked for the best support that was possible to be given. The chairman very generously headed the subscription list with the sum of £5, and it is to be hoped that members and friends of the association will do their utmost to enable the committee to carry out the proposed schemes in their entirety.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Stanmore on December 16th, if the bells, which were being augmented to eight, were finished by that date. Failing that, Cubitt Town was chosen.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the Rev. O. R. Dawson for his address at the service, and for the use of the bells; also to the Rev. T. G. Pearson, curate-in-charge at St. John's, Hackney, for his permission for the bells at that church to be rung.

Thanks were also given to Mrs. W. J. Kemp and friends for so kindly arranging tea; and to the local ringers at Clapton, and Mr. H. A. Alford at Hackney, for having the bells in readiness.

A visit was paid to St. John's, Hackney, after the meeting, and good use was made of the bells at that church, touches of Stedman and Treble Bob and courses of Bristol and Superlative Surprise being rung.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE**  
**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1670

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,

32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.



ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

for

Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.

HANDBELLS

In Sets of any number.

BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The anniversary of two first peals at St. Giles', Norwich, occurs to-day. On November 17th, 1760, the first peal of Imperial Treble Bob Major was rung on these bells, and immediately after the peal was finished, John Webster, the ringer of the 6th, dropped dead.

In the year 1835, on the same day, the first peal of London Surprise was rung on these bells.

Forty years ago to-morrow, the Burton men rang 7,200 Double Norwich at Beeston, Notts. This, at the time, was the record length in the method.

The first peal of Grandsire Caters at St. Martin's, Birmingham, was rung on November 19th, 1758.

On November 20th, 1886, at St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, the first 'silent' peal of Stedman Triples was rung.

One of the first 'family' peals was rung on November 20th, 1809, when eight Tebbits scored a peal of 5,208 Oxford Treble Bob Major.

Mr. Benjamin Foskett, the 'father' of the Cumberlands, is another ringer who took part in his own golden wedding peal. This was Stedman Cinques at Shoreditch. The veteran has rung several peals since then, and is still 'going strong.'

As a feat of concentration and endurance, Mr. A. T. Morris, of Harwich, has added to his reputation by tapping 10,848 of Bob Major in five hours two minutes.

Mr. P. Nuttall, of the Parish Church, Bolton, completed 40 years' service as a ringer there on Sunday week.

The first peal at Ludlow, Salop, by a local band was rung for Armistice Day. The nearest approach to this performance was in 1889, when all but one of the ringers in the peal were Ludlow men, the conductor being Mr. J. E. Groves, of Birmingham.

The first peal of London Surprise in the city of Worcester was rung on Saturday, and is a noteworthy performance. It was the first peal in the method by all the band with one exception, and is another evidence of the enthusiasm of the company there, under the Master of the Worcestershire Association. It was first attempted in honour of his 61st birthday on Sept. 23rd, and at the conclusion of Saturday's performance several interested listeners congratulated the band upon their success and the good quality of the ringing.

North Wingfield bells, which have been overhauled and hung on ball bearings by Messrs. Taylor and Co., who have also recast the tenor, were opened on Saturday.

On Armistice Day also, the six bells at West Hallam, Derbyshire, which Messrs. Taylor and Co. have recast and hung in a frame for eight, were dedicated.

Messrs. Gillett and Johnston have recast and augmented to eight the bells at Moretonhampstead Church, Devon. They are to be dedicated on Friday evening, Nov. 24th.

Two troubles have been added, two bells recast, the whole eight hung in modern fittings at Bingham Church, Notts. The work was carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and the bells were dedicated on All Saints' Day.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have also completed the rechanging of Durham Cathedral bells.

The report of a peal at Pentre Rhondda has been sent without the name of the conductor.

## ST. MARTIN'S-IN-THE-FIELDS. FAMOUS BELLS RESTORED.

On Saturday last the bells of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, London, were reopened after rehauling, and by common consent the church now possesses one of the finest equipped peals of 12 in the country. The work has been carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and the Whitechapel firm have made a really splendid job of this famous peal. The bells were heavily corroded, and have been cleaned off and the bells tuned. They have also been rehung with entirely new and modern fittings in a cast-iron frame work on a steel girder foundation, of similar type to that just completed at St. Mary's, Taunton. The twelve bells are now hung upon one level, and the even clappering was remarked upon. The tenor at St. Martin's is 30 cwt, 1 qr, 20 lb.

The reopening on Saturday was a very quiet ceremony. The Rector (the Rev. H. R. L. Sheppard), accompanied by the churchwardens and architect (Mr. E. Brantwood Maufe), ascended the tower, where the Rector offered the Dedictory prayers. Then followed two courses of Stedman Cinques by a band of the Royal Cumberland Youths, conducted by Mr. John D. Matthews, Master.

The Vicar welcomed the ringers back to the tower, and said how greatly the message of the bells had been missed by all during their compulsory silence.

The Master, on behalf of the society, thanked the Rector and the churchwardens for the great interest they had taken in the work of the ringers, and for having the bells put in such fine order. He added they could not help feeling, with such a Rector behind them, that they really were an essential part of the church, as indeed they should be.

Ringings took place up to 5 p.m. in various methods, and visitors to London over the week-end were offered the use of the bells for Sunday evening service.

# THE COLLEGE YOUTHS' ANNIVERSARY DINNER.

## A RECORD GATHERING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths celebrated their 285th anniversary on Saturday with a gathering which proved a record in numbers. During the afternoon ringers assembled from many parts of England, and enjoyed the opportunity of touches on several peals of bells in the city. A company of 160 assembled in the evening at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, and partook of a splendid repast. The chair was taken by the Master (Mr. George R. Fardon), who was supported at the head of the table by Canon Coleridge (President of the Central Council), Canon Haldane (Southwark Cathedral), the Rev. J. H. Ellison (St. Michael's, Cornhill), the Rev. H. J. Fynes-Clinton (St. Magnus), the Rev. Frebendary Isaacs (Cripplegate), the Rev. B. S. Simpson (Stepney), the Rev. W. Pennington Bickford (St. Clement Danes), the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild), Mr. W. T. Cockerill (hon. secretary), Mr. E. A. Young (hon. secretary, Central Council), and Mr. W. Skitner (St. Paul's). Among those also present were Messrs. H. J. Walton (vice-chairman), A. A. Hughes (treasurer of the society), J. O. F. Bayley and W. E. Garrard (stewards), C. F. Winney and Walter Prime (trustees), Major J. H. B. Heshe (Haslemere), Capt. F. A. Yorko, Mrs. Wilkins and Mr. A. E. Wilkins, Messrs. W. A. Cave (Bristol), A. I. Smith (hon. secretary, St. Martin's, Guild, Birmingham), A. Walker, J. E. Groves and J. F. Smallwood (Birmingham), C. H. Howard (Master, Essex Association), G. Bowen (Ilfracombe), W. Wakley (Exmouth), J. W. Jones (hon. secretary, Llandaff and Monmouth Association), R. T. Hibbert (hon. secretary, Oxford Diocesan Guild), and members of the Caversham band, C. Dean (hon. secretary, Surrey Association), Pryce Taylor (Loughborough), F. Smith (Royal Cumberlands), J. Carter (Honor Oak), J. T. Dyke (Midsomer Norton), J. D. Harris (Portsmouth), W. T. Pates (Cheltenham), J. Wyatt and J. Hoyle (Ashted), T. Beadle (vice-president, Middlesex Association), W. J. Nevard (Great Bentley), J. Thomas and W. J. Hazell (Edmonton), T. Groombridge and T. Groombridge, junr. (Chislehurst), G. N. Price, E. C. Goldsmith, J. S. Goldsmith, W. D. Smith (Eastbourne), G. Hoad (Reigate), T. Faulkner and members of the band from Barking, Essex, and ringers from many of the towers in London and the suburbs.

After dinner the toast of 'The King' was enthusiastically honoured.

The Master proposed the toast of 'The Church.' The Church, he said, was still pursuing the work which it had carried on for centuries past. The Church was responsible for their position to-day without it, he feared, they would be little better than savages. From their infancy it taught them the sacred scriptures that ruled and governed their lives, taught them right from wrong, and imprinted on their minds those true Christian virtues of faith, hope and charity, making them better children, better parents, and giving them brighter homes. The Church was also responsible, in a great measure for their commercial education; had it not been for the early activities of the Church their education would not have been what it was to-day. The Church, too, was responsible for some of their most beautiful buildings; their abbeys and cathedrals, some of which had stood for a thousand years, and still remained monuments of history, wisdom, strength and beauty. The Church had unquestionably been the pioneer of civilisation, education and architecture. They (the ringers) were proud to have among them that night so many clerical representatives of the Church (applause).

### RINGERS AND PAROCHIAL COUNCILS.

Canon Coleridge replied to the toast. He pointed out that that night they were keeping the 285th anniversary of their society, but the Church went back sixteen hundred years beyond that. It was a very important thing for them to remember that one great society, which their Lord and Master founded in the days of His flesh upon earth, had been instinct with life from the year 33 up to the present time, and, according to His promise, would be instinct with life to the end of all time. The Chairman had spoken of what the Church had done, and it was quite true. If there had been no Church in all probability there would have been no Parliament; certainly the Church housed the Parliament for a great many years when Parliament was first set up. It was responsible for their early education, and he trusted the Church would have a hand in education to the end of time (hear, hear). Many of them knew that great changes were impending whereby what was known as the dual system of elementary education was to be exchanged for one system. They (the ringers) all knew what they did in the towers, but he wanted to know what they as ringers were doing on their parochial church councils? This was an important thing nowadays. What happened when a certain matter with regard to ringing occurred in the Parochial Church Councils' Measure before the National Assembly? There

was only one man in all that Assembly who was competent to squash the proposal, which was that ringers should be appointed by the parochial councils instead of by the incumbents. That one man was Canon Baker, President of the Bedfordshire Association (applause). He was ready to do it, but fortunately there was a layman, Lord Phillimore, who upon other grounds succeeded in squashing that iniquitous proposal (hear, hear). So far as he (the speaker) knew there was not now a practical ringer in the National Assembly. Canon Baker was no longer a Proctor for his diocese, and whether he might be elected, or was even going to stand for election as Proctor, he did not know. It would be a serious thing for ringers if they were not represented in the National Assembly. Whose fault would it be? They might say that the members of the National Assembly were elected by the Diocesan Conferences. That was quite true, but who elected the Diocesan Conferences? The Ruri-Decanal Conferences, who in turn were elected by the Parochial Church Councils. Therefore, he said, it was important that every Church tower should be thoroughly represented upon these Parochial Church Councils. Many things would crop up in every parish where there were bells which would want settling, and were certain to be settled in the wrong way unless there was a ringer present. If they were properly represented in the Parochial Councils they might be properly represented in the Ruri-Decanal Conferences, the Diocesan Conferences and the National Assembly. By the establishment of the Church Councils the Church, he believed, was becoming stronger than ever she was (hear, hear). That was his experience as Rural Dean. The Councils had done great things in a short time. What was the first thing they did in his own parish? They said, 'Vicar, you don't get enough screw.' He replied, 'Well, I don't' (laughter). In the first twelve months they increased the value of the living by £40, and they were going to increase it by another £40 by the end of May (hear, hear). They said to him one day, 'Look here, Vicar, you gave out the wrong text on Sunday.' He said, 'Yes, I did. I am getting old, and I can't see in the Church' (laughter). 'Exactly,' they said, 'and we must have a better light. We can't have electric light, but we can put in gas. Will you ask for the money?' Accordingly he preached two sermons on the subject. In the morning he took his text, 'We look for brightness, but behold obscurity' (laughter). His evening text came most appropriately in the Psalms for the day, 'They have eyes and see not' (laughter). He could not very well add, 'They have noses and smell not,' for the oil lamps smelt abominably (laughter). He asked them for £68, and he got ten shillings more than that, and it was because the Parochial Church Council asked for it. Now they wanted to improve the heating. He mentioned this to show what a Parochial Council could do. The Parochial Councils, well represented from the ringing point of view, could do great things, not only in the body of the Church, but in the tower as well (applause).

### GOOD FELLOWSHIP AND GOOD RINGING.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn submitted 'The Ancient Society of College Youths.' It was, he said, when he was eighteen years old that he first joined that society. He had heard about it far away in the country village when he first began ringing as a mere lad, but he did not know what a really great society it was until he went to Cambridge and was told about it by Mr. Boughey and other friends who were members. They put him in the way of joining, and in due time he received his certificate, which still hung in his study at home—that certificate depicting a lovely lady reclining on a cloud, with her elbow on a bell and looking in imminent danger of falling into the Thames below (laughter). Then when he became ordained and went into the Oxford Diocese he found himself among members of the College Youths, and there was a very strong link between that Diocese and the Ancient Society, a link which had been cemented more strongly during the year by ringing together the longest peal that had ever been rung on any number of bells (applause)—on April 22nd, 21,363 changes in 12 hours and twenty-five minutes. With regard to that, he had to say that he heard a considerable amount of the ringing, and the ringing, as Canon Coleridge could bear him out, was of a very high character throughout (applause). That society, continued Mr. Jenkyn, went back a very long way. It was founded in 1637, in the days when the great Laud, who first of all was Bishop of London and then Archbishop of Canterbury, and he wondered whether it was as the result of the atmosphere of the time was so keen upon his disciplinary measures, ecclesiastical and moral, that this society was, as it were, brought to its birth. It contained, as they knew, on its books or in its archives, many good rules that had to do with discipline, such, for instance, as that which said they must not pick a quarrel with anybody in the clubroom, unless they paid sixpence. If one proved refractory he could be expelled. He (the speaker) could understand that in those early days his going would be somewhat hastened (laughter). The society had stood for

(Continued on page 731.)

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921



good fellowship, and when he said it 'had stood,' he meant that it stood now, and, he believed, it always would stand for good fellowship (applause). As librarian of the Central Council, it was his privilege to keep and safeguard various documents of interest to the Exercise at large. He was looking over some the other day, and he found an account of what was known as the Rambling Club of Ringers, most of whom were members of that Ancient Society. Their hobby was to visit certain towers. They did not seem to go very far afield, though they once had a voyage to the Isle of Sheppey. These outings were described in more or less humorous strain. On one occasion they rang 720 Morning Exercise on the biggest bells at Christ Church, Spitalfields. That was on Friday, December 27th, 1734, and after they had done their ringing they adjourned to some hostelry and there partook of supper. They had always described the suppers at greater or less length, and this one was described at great length. The principal dish was two legs of mutton, stuffed with pickled herrings, the recipe for cooking which was fully set out. This was read by Mr. Jenkyn and caused great amusement. Continuing, the speaker said the society 'not only stood for good fellowship, but it also stood for good ringing (applause). That did not mean that no member of the College Youths ever rang badly (laughter). What was a good ringer? He was thinking that out to himself the other evening on his way back from one of the long expeditions to one of their country branches, which he had the privilege of making with one well known to them, Mr. Tom Hibbert. On these expeditions they sometimes went for miles and talked, and sometimes went for miles and didn't talk (laughter). Then, he supposed, they thought. The definition which occurred to him of a good ringer, was a ringer who knew when he made a bad blow and wanted to kick himself for doing it (applause). Proceeding, he said he would have said something that evening with special reference to holding that gathering on Armistice Day, but there was an Memoriam toast on the list, and he would, therefore, leave the subject in other hands, except that he would like to make mention of one member whom he was privileged to meet once or twice overseas, and whom he saw and walked with not many days before he was killed—he referred to Frederick Hardy. He took part in the first three peals which he (Mr. Jenkyn) had the honour of ringing for that society. The speaker added that when a thing was suggested to their thoughts it was characteristic of human nature that certain names, or at least one name, came prominently before them. If they talked of cricket, an old stager like himself thought immediately of the name of Grace, if it was poetry he began to think at once of Tennyson, and when they thought of the College Youths, although there had been many great Masters, and there was a good succession of Masters still to come, the name that always suggested itself to him was the name of Cockerill (applause). He seemed to him (the speaker) to be the very embodiment of all that the society stood for (hear, hear). He was a man whom they all admired for his ringing, whom they admired for his great powers as a secretary, and whom they admired, perhaps most of all, as a man (applause).

The toast having been honoured, a fine course of Stedman Cinques was rung on handbells by Messrs. A. P. Smith, A. Walker, J. E. Groves, J. F. Smallwood, J. Thomas, and W. A. Cave.

(To be continued.)

## ROMNEY MARSH & DISTRICT GUILD. MAYORAL WELCOME TO RYE.

Between twenty and thirty members of the above society attended the November meeting at Rye, Sussex, on the first Saturday in the month. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Curd and their daughter kindly entertained the party to tea at Thompson's Bakery. The members had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of the new Vicar (the Rev. Canon J. Fowler), who presided at the tea and business meeting. The Mayor of Rye (Councillor J. L. Deacon) was also present, and owing to the Vicar having to leave early, occupied the chair at the latter portion of the business meeting.

Great Chart was selected for the December meeting, to take place on the first Saturday in the month.

The Vicar extended a hearty welcome to the members, and the Mayor addressed the meeting at some length, his speech being of a very interesting and instructive character.

Mr. J. B. Bennett added a few kindly words of welcome on behalf of the Rye ringers, and the speeches of these three gentlemen emphasised the cordiality of the reception of the Guild in the ancient town.

Great applause greeted the announcement that the Vicar and Mayor had decided to give their patronage to the society.

Very hearty votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar and Mayor, and to Mr. and Mrs. Curd and their daughter for entertaining the party.

Good practice in Grandsire, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Stedman was obtained on the bells of the Parish Church. Ringing also took place on the following morning, for Mr. and Mrs. Curd further extended their kindness by entertaining three of the party for the week-end.

## DURHAM & NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION. AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

The 45th annual meeting of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association was held on Saturday, October 28th, in Newcastle. All the bells in Newcastle and St. Mary's, Gateshead, were kindly placed at the disposal of the ringers for the day by the respective Vicars. Owing to the committee meeting at noon, the service in the Cathedral at 1 o'clock and dinner at 2 p.m., followed by the general meeting, which lasted until after 5 o'clock, very little ringing could be indulged in, however, until the evening.

The Vicar of Newcastle (the Rev. Canon Newsom) conducted the service, assisted by the Rev. F. L. Cuttall, Vicar of Whitley Bay. A very interesting and instructive address was given by the Rev. Canon Boor, Vicar of St. George's, Jesmond.

Dinner was served at the Collingwood Restaurant, 89 sitting down. Mr. Story (the president) was in the chair, and was supported by the Vicar of Newcastle (Canon Newsom), Canon Boor, the Rev. H. S. Stephenson (Rector of Gateshead), the Revs. H. Beirff (Vicar of Wylam), G. Hinchliffe (Vicar of All Saints', Wye), F. L. Cuttall (Vicar of Whitley Bay), the Rev. A. Simpson, President of the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association, Mr. W. Ellis, the Cathedral organist (who kindly presided at the organ at the service), Messrs. C. L. Routledge, G. W. Park, J. W. Parker, W. Newton, of St. Thomas', Stockton (who, with Mr. T. Stephenson, of the same tower, is the oldest member of the association, having been elected in 1877), E. E. Ferry, hon. secretary, and many other well-known ringers, representing a large number of towers.

Letters of apology for absence were read from Mr. T. R. Richardson, of St. Michael's, Bishopwearmouth, regretting none of their ringers could attend, also from Mr. Bert Horton, and a 'phone message from the Rev. C. F. Knyvett (Vicar of Benwell) to say he was sorry three weddings prevented his being present. A paragraph from a letter from Mr. B. C. Dixon wishing the association a good meeting was read by Mr. Richards, to whom the letter was written.

After 'The King' had been duly honoured, Mr. Story, in a suitable speech, proposed the toast of the Bishops and clergy of the two dioceses, and thanked Canon Newsom for conducting the service, Canon Boor for the address, and Mr. Ellis for presiding at the organ. Canon Newsom, in responding, said how glad he was to welcome the association to the Cathedral. He said he was very sorry he had to wait two years before he could do so again, for he wished the annual meeting was held in Newcastle each year. He assured the association of a hearty welcome at all times.

Canon Boor, in a happy little speech, thanked Mr. Story for the kind words he had used, and referred to the days when he was Vicar of St. John's, Darlington. St. George's bells, he said, were always at the disposal of the association.

A vote of thanks to the Vicars and wardens for the use of the bells was proposed by the chairman, and carried by acclamation.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. E. E. Ferry) then presented the balance sheet, which showed a credit balance of £8 10s. 11d.; and read his annual report. Reference was made in this to the loss the association had sustained during the year, by the death of two respected members, Mr. J. G. Green and Mr. A. Dalton.

## SUNDAY SERVICE AND PEAL PERFORMANCES.

The Sunday service ringing returns showed that Whitley Bay came first with 2,396 points; St. Ignatius, Sunderland, second with 1,996 points; Newcastle Cathedral third with 803 points. Of the six bell towers Holy Trinity, Darlington, took first place with 295 points; Newburn second with 274 points, and Benfieldside third with 254 points. Whitley Bay were congratulated upon their brilliant ringing throughout the year, practically the whole of the ringing having been in the methods of London, Cambridge, Bristol and Premier Surprise.

Another achievement was the peal of real Double Superlative Surprise Major rung at St. Ignatius, Sunderland, the first ever accomplished. It was composed by Mr. J. W. Parker, and conducted by Mr. W. H. Barker, four of the brothers Gofton taking part. Twenty-seven peals had been rung by the association during the year, mostly in Surprise methods.

The President moved the adoption of the report and balance sheet.—This was seconded by Mr. C. L. Routledge, the motion being carried by a show of hands.

Mr. C. Todd proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring officers.—Mr. Bird seconded, and the motion was responded to by Mr. Story.

Mr. W. Story was unanimously re-elected president.

Mr. Routledge proposed that the secretaryship and treasurer'ship be divided, and proposed Mr. E. Ferry be elected secretary, and Mr. A. M. Hall be elected treasurer.—This was seconded by Mr. J. Anderson, and carried.

The vice-presidents were unanimously elected as follows: Northern Division, Mr. G. Holmes; Eastern, Mr. R. Parkinson; Southern, Mr. G. W. Park; Western, Mr. E. Lowery.

The district secretaries for the various districts were next elected: Northern, Mr. J. E. Gofton; Eastern, Mr. G. S. Taylor; Southern,

(Continued on next page)



### SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES. EX-SERVICE MEN'S MEMORIAL TOUCH.

At Hagbourne, Berks, on Sunday, Nov. 5th, before a memorial service, a band of ex-Servicemen rang, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: Pte. A. W. Cox, Devon Regiment, 1; Sergt. W. V. Webb, Royal Berks, 2; Pte. W. J. Napper, R.A.O.C., 3; Gunner K. White, R.G.A., 4; Lieut. R. G. Rice, R.G.A., 5; Corporal F. H. Abbott, R.G.A., 6; Flight-Lieut. J. S. Napper, D.C.M., R.A.F. (conductor), 7; Farrier-Sergt. T. Jakeman, R.F.A., 8.

**TUNBRIDGE WELLS KENT**—At St. Peter's Church, on Sunday, October 22nd, for evening service, 1,356 Bob Major, in 45 mins.: D. Findlay (first quarter-peal) 1, B. Collison 2, W. Latter 3, Miss D. Orlebar 4, W. Latter 5, F. White 6, S. Green 7, A. Richardson (first quarter in the method) 8. Rung by an entirely local band.

**CAMBRIDGE**—On Sunday, October 22nd, for morning service, at St. Andrew's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes), in 39 mins.: \*J. B. Woolley 1, Y. Green 2, \*W. Welch 3, T. R. Dennis 4, \*A. T. Chenery 5, E. G. Hibbins 6, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 7, F. Kempton 8. \* First quarter of Stedman.

**HACKNEY**—On Sunday, October 22nd, for harvest thanksgiving, in the evening, at St. John's, South Hackney, E., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: W. J. Kemp 1, J. Bullock (first quarter-peal in the method as conductor) 2, T. W. Taffender, junr., 3, J. Hawkins 4, I. J. Attwater 5, G. Shipp 6, T. H. Taffender 7, A. Riley 8.

**AOTON**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Oct. 22nd, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, in 42 mins.: E. Easton 1, S. D. Breeze 2, P. Lane (Ludlow, first quarter in this method) 3, C. Brown 4, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 5, H. Wincote 6, E. W. Coulson 7, W. Elson 8. Arranged, with great pleasure, for Mr. P. Lane, of Ludlow, Shropshire, who was on a visit to Ealing.

**EARL SOHAM, SUFFOLK**—On Sunday, Oct. 22nd, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: N. Miller 1, H. W. Crickmer 2, C. W. Beecroft 3, W. G. Crickmer (conductor) 4, R. Abbott 5, W. Miller, junr., 6. Rung for the harvest festival and the birthday of H. W. Crickmer.

**LAVERHAM**—For Divine service, on Sunday morning, Oct. 22nd, a touch of Grandsire Triples: A. Symonds 1, F. Turner 2, F. Mortlock 3, M. Symonds 4, S. H. Symonds (conductor) 5, J. Martin (Little Waldingfield) 6, W. Fayers 7, W. R. J. Poulson 8.—For evening service, 420 of Stedman: F. Turner 1, M. Symonds 2, F. Leeks 3, S. Smith 4, F. Mortlock 5, A. Symonds 6, W. R. J. Poulson (conductor) 7, F. Poulson 8.

**MARKET DEEPING**—For morning service, on October 22nd, 720 Single Court: H. Hayes 1, H. M. Day (conductor) 2, A. Riggall 3, F. Simpson (first in the method) 4, W. Tilley 5, G. H. Wells 6.

**BONVILSTON, GLAM.**—On Sunday, Oct. 22nd, for harvest festival, evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 49 mins.: E. Thomas 1, W. Samuels 2, E. Coles (first quarter-peal) 3, F. Hannington 4, A. Hannington, junr. (conductor), 5, W. Coles 6.

**SELBY**—At the Abbey, on Sunday, October 15th, for evening service a quarter-peal (1,257) of Stedman Caters, composed by Arthur Knights, in 53 mins.: J. W. Hall 1, T. Morgan 2, G. W. P. Fenton 3, J. Jackson 4, H. S. Morley 5, E. Storr 6, F. Cryer 7, W. Hinton 8, H. Fairlam (conductor) 9, A. Cryer 10.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—On Sunday, October 15th, for morning service, 576 Superlative Surprise Major: A. Lawrence 1, R. W. Hyner 2, W. G. Lancaster 3, W. Trueman 4, E. Bishop 5, H. A. Hearl 6, S. Palmer 7, O. J. Gardiner (conductor) 8.—For evening service, 448 Superlative Surprise Major: A. Lawrence 1, W. G. Lancaster 2, S. Palmer 3, R. W. Hyner (conductor) 4, G. W. Townsend 5, H. A. Hearl 6, O. J. Gardiner 7, E. Bishop 8.

**CHURCHKIRK, LANCS.**—For morning service, on Sunday, Oct. 15th, 720 Plain Bob: A. Chadwicke 1, A. Ingham (conductor) 2, W. Aaron 3, J. Marsh 4, W. Aspinall 5, L. J. Williams 6. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor; also 1st as conductor.—For evening service, 720 Plain Bob: A. Chadwicke 1, A. Ingham 2, L. J. Williams (conductor) 3, J. Marsh 4, W. Aaron 5, W. Aspinall 6.

**PETERBOROUGH**—For evensong, on Sunday, Oct. 15th, at St. John's, 1,168 Kent Treble Bob Major: B. Butler 1, W. M. Cross 2, T. Vaughan 3, S. Wright 4, W. G. Cross 5, H. Beechey 6, F. Cooper 7, C. T. P. Brice (Pulham St. Mary, conductor) 8.

**LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE**—Hereford Diocesan Guild.—On Sunday evening, October 15th, in 50 mins., at the Parish Church of St. Lawrence, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), 7, 6, 8 covering: \*J. Jenkins 1, W. J. Beniams 2, J. G. Nash 3, W. R. Nash (conductor) 4, \*A. Nason 5, \*T. W. Nash 6, H. Jones 7, W. Habberley 8. \* First quarter-peal. ‡ First quarter-peal inside bell. The bells were rung fully muffled, immediately after evensong, in respectful memory of Mr. J. C. Galloway, Rector's warden.

**NUNEATON**—On Sunday, October 15th, at the Parish Church, for harvest thanksgiving, for morning service, two courses of Stedman and Double Norwich, and a course each of Superlative and Cambridge, for evening service, 224 each of London, Bristol and Cambridge Surprise, 336 of Stedman Triples, by the following members: H. Argyle, D. H. Areyle, J. F. Clarke, J. F. Clarke, junr., T. W. Chapman, E. Stone, W. Horton, F. Brassington, W. Martin, E. Martin, T. Dicken, A. Witherson, Misses Clarke and F. Cope (Lichfield). Touches were also rung for the festival on the preceding Thursday.

### REMEMBRANCE DAY.

Ringling was general throughout the country on Armistice Day, and many peals were rung, as our peal columns show. The following were among the shorter lengths which had to suffice in most towers:—**SWAINSWICK, BATH**—A quarter-peal of Doubles, being 4 six-scores of Bob Doubles, and 64 Grandsire, with the bells half-muffled: H. Toghill 1, W. Starr 2, W. Clark 3, E. Bath 4, S. White 5, A. Clark 6. Conducted by S. White.

**FULBOURNE, CAMBS.**—On Armistice Day, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, half-muffled, in 23 mins.: E. Webb 1, J. T. Newington 2, J. Stalley 3, C. E. Patten (conductor) 4, A. Page 5, G. Bridge 6, C. Hall (conductor) 7.

**HAMMERSMITH**—At St. Paul's, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, with the bells half-muffled: J. Willmott 1, W. H. Stevens 2, M. Jacoba 3, R. Mackrill 4, H. Cook 5, F. Skevington (conductor) 6, C. Hunt 7, P. Stratton 8.

**LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.**—At mid-day, with the bells half-muffled, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: W. Williams 1, S. Carter 2, E. A. Overall 3, A. Phillips 4, W. H. Lawrence 5, G. H. Carter (conductor) 6.

**GARGRAVE, YORKS.**—At St. Andrew's Church, a peal of Stedman Triples was attempted. All went comfortably to the 30th course, when a slight 'misunderstanding' upset the arrangement: G. Horner 1, W. H. Birtwhistle 2, J. Bazeley 3, W. Bradley 4, J. McKell 5, Dr. H. Wales (conductor) 6, C. Langstroth 7, H. Birtwhistle 8.

**UTTOXETER, STAFFS.**—On Saturday, Nov. 11th, short touches were rung with the bells half-muffled, for service. Afterwards an attempt for a peal of Grandsire was lost through a change course, after ringing 2,520 changes: E. Green 1, G. Elliott 2, J. Buxton 3, E. Roberts 4, F. Oliver 5, C. Smith (conductor) 6, G. Lewis 7, G. Burrows 8.

**STAFFORD**—At St. Mary's Church, in 1 hour and 16 mins., a date touch of Grandsire Triples (1,922 changes): W. G. Curtis 1, W. F. Wilson 2, J. Warrilow 3, G. Booth 4, W. H. Jones 5, F. V. Haggis 6, J. J. Taylor 7, Z. Baker 8. Composed by F. Dexter, and conducted by J. J. Taylor. Rung with the bells half-muffled.

**WITHAM, ESSEX**—At the Parish Church, with the bells half-muffled, 720 Woodbine, Treble Bob, 720 Double Court, 720 Kent Treble Bob, and 240 Oxford Treble Bob, the following ringers taking part: W. Butler, E. Bright (conductor), W. J. Butler, H. Dorking, A. Chalk, A. Evers, V. Glass, W. Mellin.

**NORTON, STAFFS.**—At St. Bartholomew's Church, a date touch (1,922 changes) was rung in 1 hour 6 minutes, in the five following Treble Bob methods: 720 Oxford, 360 each of Violet, Woodbine and Kent, and 122 of Cambridge Surprise: H. Wibberley 1, J. W. Walker 2, F. Triner 3, J. E. Wheeldon (conductor) 4, G. E. Lawrence 5, J. Walley 6.

Other touches will be reported in due course.

### DURHAM & NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

(Continued from page 731.)

Mr. A. Hunter; Western, Mr. H. Tyson; West Tyne, Mr. Charles Symm.

#### CENTRAL COUNCIL DECISIONS TO BE BINDING.

Mr. Routledge proposed a resolution that the association binds itself to accept and abide by all decisions of the Central Council, and that no peal in an illegitimate method be recorded in the association peal book, and that the resolution be embodied in rule 15 of the association. He said the Council had been doing useful propaganda work for over 30 years, and yet ringers and associations of ringers still went on their own sweet way, ignoring its decisions, instead of looking to the Council for the lead in all matters relating to scientific ringing, etc. He would almost go as far as to hope that at some future time the Council would have an arbitration sub-committee to decide such questions as overlapping of territory and the exact definition of areas, and that they would do something to secure the ringing and conducting of only the very best compositions, from a musical point of view. Mr. Routledge hoped this resolution would, if passed, help other associations to come to a similar decision, and make the Central Council paramount in all ringing matters.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. R. Richards, supported by the President, and carried unanimously.

The hon. auditor and peal referees were all unanimously re-elected.—Ten honorary members, including the Vicars of Benwell, Whitley Bay, Tynemouth, Corbridge, All Saints', Wye, and the Rector of Rothbury, and Vicar of Bishops Auckland, and 15 ringing members were elected.

For the forthcoming year it was announced that the meetings would be held as follows: Pre-Lent, Newbourn; Whit Monday, Rothbury; August, Bishop Auckland and Shildon; October (annual meeting), Darlington.

The various bells in the city were kept going during the evening to the tune of London Surprise, Double Norwich, Stedman Triples to Cinques, etc.

## THE SEPTUAGENARIANS' PEAL.

### NOTEWORTHY PERFORMANCE BY NORWICH ASSOCIATION VETERANS.

A unique performance, as we briefly announced last week, has been accomplished by resident members of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association, at Pulham Market. On October 28th, eight veterans, all of them over 70 years of age, rang a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major, and it is probable that the aggregate of their years is the greatest of any eight-bell peal band. In any event their performance is a noteworthy one, for these sprightly young men can total up more than 577 years between them! The peal was rung at the second attempt, and it was one upon which the ringers will be able to look back with pride, for it was splendidly struck. Indeed one has only to look at the names to realise that these men

climbed the belfry in his kindness of heart to give us a welcome and express good wishes for success, which we much appreciated. But later on we found it was not to be that day. With nearly two hours gone the treble rope slipped wheel, and could not be recovered in time to save the peal. Not in the least dismayed, the order was to meet again on the 28th.

Descending from the tower, a good old friend and brother ringer, Mr. Frederick Borrett, of Pulham, who has taken a keen interest in the meeting, kindly invited us to dine with him, and we much appreciated and enjoyed a good old English dinner.

On Saturday, October 28th, all turned up again to time, and by 2.25 a well-struck peal of Oxford Treble Bob had been rung. Again our good friend, Mr. Borrett, kindly entertained us, and we desire to



Standing (left to right): R. H. Brundle, aged 71 (Ipswich), 5; F. H. Smith, 71 (Aldeburgh), 6; F. Knights, senr., 70 (Norwich), 7; J. Souter, 72 (Diss), conductor, tenor.

Seated: G. Murton, 77 (Dye), 4; D. Collins, 74 (Worlingworth), 3; R. Whiting, 72 (Pulham Market), 2; W. Ireland, 70 (Diss), treble.

Copies of the photo can be obtained from Mr. F. R. Borrett, Pulham Market, for 1s. 3d.; additional copies by same post 1s. 1d. each.

know how to ring Treble Bob. It is interesting to note that two of the band (Messrs. D. Collins and R. H. Brundle) are two of the five survivors of the peal of 16,608 Oxford Treble Bob rung at Debenham in 1892.

The following account, by one of the veterans, will be read with interest:—

The word came round to the writer thus: 'Bob, they are going to ring a boys' peal, I think they want you.'

'Boys' Peal,' said I, and I caught the twinkle of the speaker's eye, so I added, 'Yes, certainly I will make one.'

When I arrived home, from a good peal of Stedman Cinques at Chelmsford, I found the note awaiting me, 'Can you make it convenient to meet at Pulham Market on Saturday, October 14th, for a peal, all over 70 years of age?'

I replied, 'If all's well, I will be there.'

At 9.45 that morning I found myself amongst dear old friends. Two only I did not know, but we were soon 'old pals.' At 10.30 we reached the tower. Brother David had driven 18 miles by road, picking up his old friend, George Murton, at Eye. When we were ready to start, the Rector (the Ven. Archdeacon A. R. Buckland)

thank him for his hospitality and the kindly interest he took in the meeting. We also desire to thank the Rector for permission to use the bells.

After the peal, Mr. Fred Smith walked home, a distance of 6½ miles.

### ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

A very successful district meeting for the Archdeaconry of Sudbury was held at Sudbury on Saturday, November 4th. A large number of ringers were present, and they kept the bells of St. Gregory and All Saints' Churches ringing in excellent touches during the afternoon and evening.

The business meeting was held in the Vestry of St. Gregory's Church, when the Rev. R. Garrett Johnson presided, supported by the Rev. W. Stote, Vicar of All Saints'.

Ringers from the following places took part: Sudbury, Clare, Glemsford, Cavendish, Lavenham, Long Melford, Hedingham, Coggeshall, Biddeston, Feering, Great Tey, Earls Colne, Greenstead Green, Belchamp Walter, Braintree, Foxearth, Polstead, Chelmsworth.

## NOTICES.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at St Andrew's, Wells St., W., on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. Service at 6.30 p.m. All ringers invited. Business meeting at 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Basingstoke on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4.15. Tea in the Church Cottage at 4.45.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dis. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. John's and St. Peter's R.C. Churches, Lytham, on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Business meeting 5.30.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 3, Rutland Gate, Blackpool.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—The Annual meeting of the above will be held at St. Peter's, Bedford, on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Bells available from 2.30. An address by the Rector (Rev. Y. E. Gilbert) at 4.15 at St. Peter's Church. Tea in St. Peter's Hall at 4.45. Business meeting to follow for the election of officers. It is hoped all members will try and attend. All ringers and friends welcome.—H. L. Harlow, Dis. Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

**SALOP GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at Wellington, Salop, on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Ringing and prayers 2.30. Meeting 5 o'clock. Tea at 6, to be ordered per Mr. J. L. Hayward, 12, Haybridge Road, Hadley, near Wellington, or Rev. F. Tennison, St. Alkmund's, Shrewsbury.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Witney and Woodstock Deaneries Branch.—The Autumn meeting will be held at Southleigh on Saturday, Nov. 18th. Service at 3 o'clock, preacher Rev. E. B. Rand. Tea and meeting to follow. Bells available during the day. All ringers welcome.—John Monk, Hon. Branch Sec., 17, Cape Terrace, Witney, Oxon.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, Nov. 27th; Bishopsgate, Nov. 20th. Sundays, St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, Nov. 23rd; \*St. Paul's Cathedral, 28th. All at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**DEDICATION OF BELLS.**—The bells which have been recast and augmented to eight by Gillett and Johnston, for Moretonhampstead Church, Devon, will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Exeter, on the evening of Friday, Nov. 24th.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—A meeting at Arksey, on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Eight bells ready early. Tea only provided for those who notify me before the 21st.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Chertsey on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30, tea and meeting afterwards. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, Nov. 21st?—G. Miles, Owlsmoor, Camberley, Surrey.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Goole on Saturday, Nov. 25th, by kind consent of the Vicar (the Right Rev. Bishop G. D. Iliff, D.D.). Bells (8) available from 1.30. Service 4 o'clock, at which it is hoped the address will be given by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield. Tea in Church Schools at 5 o'clock (1/6 each) to those who notify Mr. M. Tate, 22, Manuel Street, Goole, not later than Tuesday, Nov. 21st.—A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—An interim meeting of the above will be held at Biddenden on Saturday, Nov. 25th, by kind permission of the Rector (Rev. Collis). Ringing to commence at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. All members intending to be present must notify me not later than Tuesday, Nov. 21st.—C. Tribe, Hon. Dis. Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Wymondham on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells available 2 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m. It is hoped all who can will attend.—George T. Peggall, Dist. Sec.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Hertford on Nov. 25th, when the bells of All Saints (10), St. Andrews (8), and Bengoe (8) will be open during the afternoon and evening. Service at St. Andrew's at 5 o'clock; address by the Rector. Tea 1/-; business meeting after. All members and friends will be heartily welcome.—W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Grappenhall Branch.—The next meeting of the branch will be held at Grappenhall, on Saturday, Nov. 25th, commencing at 2.30. Will members intending to be present advise me not later than the 22nd inst.?—John E. Ashcroft, Hon. Sec., Post Office, Grappenhall.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—A Special meeting will be held at Thorpe Malsor (6), on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Usual arrangements. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Friday, Nov. 21st?—R. G. Black, District Sec., Geddington, near Kettering.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Guildford, on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells—Holy Trinity (8) and St. Nicholas (10) available at 3 o'clock. Service at St. Mary's Church at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30. Business meeting and social to follow.—E. Raddon, Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Hitchin, on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting at "The Grange" after service.—F. R. Bacon, Hon. District Sec.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ledbury District.—A meeting will be held at Colwall, on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow.—Richard Thomas, District Hon. Sec., Post Office, Coddington, Ledbury.



**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—Next meeting at Anston (Kiveton Park Station, G.C.), on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells ready early and visitors welcome. Tea at 5 p.m. for those who notify Sam Smith, Anston, Sheffield, not later than Tuesday, 21st. A good attendance desired. —H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch. —The next meeting will be held at the Church of the Saviour, Bolton, on Saturday, 25th November. Bells available 5 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A Monthly meeting of the above will be held at Basford, Nottingham, on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Ringing from 4.30 to 8.30 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m. All are welcome.—T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Biggleswade, on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Tea at 5. Business meeting to follow for the election of officers. It is hoped all members will try and attend. All ringers and friends welcome.—C. J. Ball, Dist. Sec., 2, Temperford Road, Sandy.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch. —The next meeting will be held at Bradford-on-Avon, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (8) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.40. Tea at 5. Short business meeting 5.30.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District. —The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Michael's, Bristol, on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells open from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.15 followed by tea and a business meeting, at which it is hoped every member will make a special effort to be present. The subscriptions for the current year should then be paid. Miss E. K. Parker hopes to attend this meeting. All ringers will be very welcome, and other bells will be available in the evening. Names of those who intend to be present at the tea should please be sent to Miss Smith, 23, Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol, by Dec. 4th without fail.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers 1. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to William Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Ringer requires Situation, any suitable job will be accepted. Many years as WAREHOUSEMAN. Instructor on 6 and 8 bells, with little experience of 10, tower and handbells. Permanency preferred.—A. S. Morris, 5, King's Head St., Harwich, Essex.

#### SITUATION VACANT.

Wanted, active, young, single-handed GARDENER good references; change ringer on 8; state wages.—Mrs. James, Millside, Pixham, Dorking.

#### DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

##### PROGRESS IN THE MID-DEVON BRANCH.

A very successful quarterly meeting of the Mid-Devon Branch was held at Newton Abbot on Saturday, November 4th. Ringers were present from Swindon, Exeter, Plymouth, Tavistock, Christon, Cockington, Dartmouth, Buckfastleigh and Paignton.

An unfortunate delay was caused at Highwick owing to a funeral taking place, but as soon as word 'go' was given from the local steeplekeeper, the bells were raised in peal, and some well-struck touches of Grandsire Triples brought round.

A splendid tea was provided at Messrs. Thomas and Son's Cafe. —The President, the Rev. Maitland Kelly, addressed the meeting in complimentary terms, and said what a pleasure it was to him to come to the branch meeting and to hear of the good progress being made. He was delighted with the splendid striking he had heard at Highwick, and he hoped in the near future to hear 'higher methods' equally well struck.

The Rev. C. S. Powell, Guild secretary, also expressed the great pleasure it gave him to attend the branch meeting, and hear of the good progress.

Mr. E. Shepherd gave his usual words of encouragement and advice to the members, and referred to the recent peal at Babacombe. He congratulated the members who took part, especially Mrs. Gover, who, he said, rang splendidly, and finished as fresh as anyone, if not more so.

Mr. C. Austin proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Shepherd for the interest he took in the branch meetings, and this having been carried, brought a most successful meeting to a close.

St. Mary Church was chosen for the annual meeting in January.

**BARLBOROUGH, DERBYSHIRE.**—On Sunday, October 22nd, on the occasion of the harvest festival, for morning service, 720 Killamarsh Treble Bob, in 24 mins.: H. Hibbard 1, R. Reece 2, P. Morris 3, H. Kirk 4, W. Sturman 5, P. Hibbard (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by the local band.

**WHITCHEURCH, SALOP.**—On Sunday, Oct 22nd, for evening service, 840 Grandsire Triples (from Taylor's six-part): \*E. Taylor 1, \*A. Biggs 2, T. Owen 3, F. Ryder 4, J. Gibson 5, E. V. Rodenhurst (conductor) 6, W. Saunders 7, \*J. Porter 8. \* Longest length.

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

*Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.*

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER

HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,  
COVENTRY.**





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 294 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 5th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..	4	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker,

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½in. 2¾in. 3½in. 3¾in. 4in. 4½in. 5in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 75/- 88/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
WOKING Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

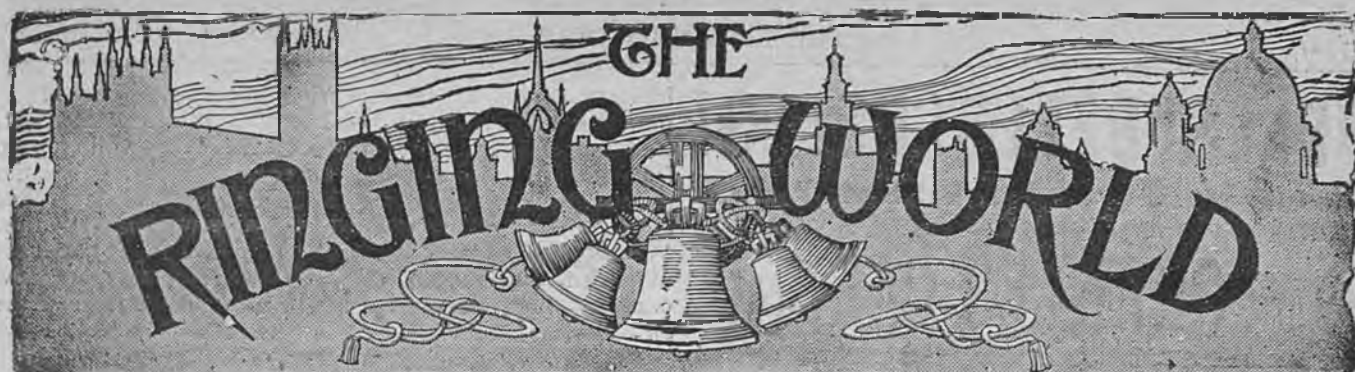
In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 88/-, Silver 7/8  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 1171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Bells House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 610. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### RINGERS AND PAROCHIAL COUNCILS.

Speaking at the College Youths' dinner, Canon Coleridge, the President of the Central Council, touched upon a subject of real importance to ringers when he urged that they should take steps to secure representation upon the Parochial Church Councils. When these bodies were first formed we took the opportunity of pointing out that, wherever there was a peal of bells, efforts should be made to secure the election of a ringer upon the Council, and we believe, in a number of cases, this was done. We doubt, however, if this was anything like general throughout the country, and Canon Coleridge's reminder upon the matter is a timely one. Although ringers still remain subject to the authority of the incumbent, the reasons for their representation in the Parochial Councils are manifold. Not least is it necessary in order to emphasise the fact that ringers are a body of churchmen, carrying on a work as definite as are, say, the choir.

In these days when there is a much wider recognition of this fact than there used to be, it may be thought that such emphasis is not required. But just as a straw shows which way the wind blows, so an incident, brought to light this week by a correspondent who is, we believe, a Churchwarden as well as a ringer, indicates that the ringer is still sometimes forgotten, even among those highly placed in the Church. In an official leaflet dealing with a week of Intercession in the diocese of Canterbury, there is a request that the people should remember in their prayers the clergy, the choir, the sidesmen, the churchwardens and the Council. The bell ringers are not mentioned. It is only a little thing, perhaps, but it points to the fact that, despite all we are told when we are preached to at meetings, there is still the risk that ringers and the work that they do may be overlooked.

There are other reasons why ringers should be represented on the Parochial Councils. In many churches it is, unfortunately, only too true that visits of clergy or churchwardens to the belfry are few and far between, and it is, therefore, necessary that the needs of the belfry should be kept as much before those responsible for its upkeep as those of the rest of the church assuredly are. Although much has been done to improve the ringing chambers in a great number of churches—thanks chiefly to the efforts of the ringers themselves—there are still belfries the condition of which is a disgrace. In every such case of neglect, it is not only desirable, it is the absolute duty of the ringers to take steps to bring this before the Parochial Council, and the most effective way to do it is to get one of their number elected to the body. Here, then, are two of the

(Continued on page 738.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

### THE WOODLANDS BELL AND BRASS FOUNDRY, SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

important reasons for securing representation. It is, moreover, quite certain, as Canon Coleridge pointed out, that many things connected with the belfry will crop up from time to time, and the only way of assuring a satisfactory decision is by the Council having at least one among their number who can give them practical advice. We hope Canon Coleridge's reminder will not pass unheeded, and that in all cases where ringers are now unrepresented, serious steps will be taken to remedy the omission.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES, CRIPPLEGATE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 36 cwt.

FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... .. Treble	CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... .. 7
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 2	HAROLD N. PITSTOW ... .. 8
WILLIAM E. GARRARD ... .. 3	WILSON RUSSTON ... .. 9
THOMAS WALKER ... .. 4	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... .. 10
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 5	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 11
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 6	RICHARD F. FORWARD ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON, STEPNEY, E.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;

Tenor 31 cwt.

FREDERICK G. SYMONS ... .. Treble	ARTHUR K. HARRISON ... .. 6
WILLIAM LANGDON ... .. 2	MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... .. 7
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 3	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... .. 8
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 4	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 9
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 5	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5004 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb.

BERT CHALLEN ... .. Treble	GEORGE PIPER ... .. 6
WILLIAM PELLING ... .. 2	WALTER CHARMAN ... .. 7
HERBERT RANN ... .. 3	JOHN JAY ... .. 8
WILLIAM WATTS ... .. 4	ROBERT J. DAWE ... .. 9
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 5	JAMES A. HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. HUBBARD. Conducted by F. BENNETT.

\* First peal of Caters. This peal contains 48 titium course-ends, 24 inverted and 24 plain, with the 6th at home throughout.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5083 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt. 0 qr. 18 lb.

JAMES GEORGE ... .. Treble	EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... .. 6
BERT HORTON ... .. 2	WILLIAM A. COOPER ... .. 7
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... .. 3	BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. 8
GEORGE HUGHES ... .. 4	HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 9
JOHN PERRY ... .. 5	REUBEN HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

This peal was specially arranged and rung in honour of the veteran ringer of the Midlands, Mr. William Rock Small, who celebrated his 83rd birthday on the 12th inst. The composition of the peal was specially arranged for the occasion by Mr. James E. Groves, the odd 83 changes representing the veteran's age.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.  
THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE MEMORIAL TOWER OF SS. ANDREW & PATRICK'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17½ cwt.

THOMAS STAGG ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM ADCOCK ... ..	5
STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... ..	2	PERCY FORDHAM ... ..	6
THOMAS FITZJOHN ... ..	3	JAMES DAVIS ... ..	7
ALFRED MACRO ... ..	4	FREDERICK SALTER ... ..	Tenor

Composed by W. E. BASON.

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

This composition is now rung for the first time. First peal on the bells, which, with the tower and cloisters, were given by Viscount Iveagh in memory of the late Lady Iveagh. The 'go' of the bells, which were cast by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, leaves nothing to be desired. The band were entertained to tea and supper by his lordship.

BURGHILL, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Nov. 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*WILLIAM JONES ... ..	Treble	†ARCHIE PROBERT ... ..	5
CHARLES EDWARDS ... ..	2	†CHARLES SPARKS ... ..	6
WILLIAM H. SYMONDS ... ..	3	IVOR PROBERT ... ..	7
†WILLIAM WILLIAMS ... ..	4	*ROBERT LLOYD ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

\* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell. Rung in honour of the 93rd birthday of Mrs. Woodhouse, of Burghill House, a great benefactress to the church and bells.

NORTH CURRY, SOMERSET.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Nov. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE PART. Tenor 17½ cwt.

JESSE FRANCIS ... ..	Treble	*HARRY BUNGAY ... ..	5
WALTER FARLEY ... ..	2	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... ..	6
*DAVID G. TAYLOR ... ..	3	SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... ..	7
*GEORGE SIBLEY ... ..	4	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by SAMUEL J. HECTOR.

\* Elected members of the Guild before starting. The peal was arranged that Mr. S. J. Hector might conduct a peal at his birthplace. He kindly entertained the band after the peal.

ANSTHEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

*G. HARRY DEXTER ... ..	Treble	ERNEST MORRIS ... ..	5
ARTHUR CATTELL ... ..	2	†EDWARD R. WHITEHEAD ... ..	6
GEORGE S. MORRIS ... ..	3	JOSIAH MORRIS ... ..	7
†WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... ..	4	REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... ..	Tenor

Composed by WM. HUDSON. Conducted by R. F. ELKINGTON.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method. First peal of Major as conductor. Rung with the bells half-muffled in honour of the fallen.

DARTFORD, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

*HARRY SIMMONS ... ..	Treble	JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... ..	5
*RICHARD SMITH ... ..	2	EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... ..	6
EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... ..	3	CLER. SGT. J. BENNETT ... ..	7
RICHARD MORGAN ... ..	4	H. AUDSLEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed by E. BARNETT, SEN. Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

\* First peal of Double Norwich. Rung with half-muffled clappers in grateful memory of those who fell in the Great War.

LONDON.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MATFELON, WHITECHAPEL, E.,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOODS' TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

GEORGE J. HARMAN ... ..	Treble	GEORGE SHIPP ... ..	5
ARTHUR J. NEALE ... ..	2	THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... ..	6
JEFFREY R. GAMMON ... ..	3	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... ..	7
JOSEPH S. HAWKINS ... ..	4	JAMES BULLOCK ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR D. BARKER.

Rung by special request of the Rector to commemorate the 4th anniversary of the signing of the Armistice.

BIRMINGHAM.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE R.C. CATHEDRAL OF ST. CHAD,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

THEODORE RUSSELL ... ..	Treble	C. HOWARD STANLEY ... ..	5
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... ..	2	SAMUEL GROVE ... ..	6
EDWARD ROSE ... ..	3	JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... ..	7
LESLIE G. CARTWRIGHT ... ..	4	HARRY PARKES ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. J. W. Pemberton on the anniversary of his wedding.

WIDFORD, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*ARTHUR SALTMARSH ... ..	Treble	†LESLIE J. CLARK ... ..	5
JAMES TARBUN ... ..	2	HENRY W. KIRTON ... ..	6
†CYRIL GENTRY ... ..	3	†EDWARD KEMP ... ..	7
PERCY TIMSON ... ..	4	WILLIAM PEASE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by HENRY W. KIRTON.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. † First peal away from the treble. Rung with the bells half-muffled for 'Remembrance Day.' In this peal, four towers were represented, viz., Chelmsford Cathedral, Springfield, Writtle and Woodford. Two of the ringers are ex-Service men, 3rd in the Navy and 6th in the Army.

COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

WILLIAM E. MERRINGTON ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... ..	5
WILLIAM D. WASE ... ..	2	LEONARD G. HEWITT ... ..	6
ALFRED S. BAYLEY ... ..	3	EDWARD V. RODENBURST ... ..	7
WILLIAM A. FLETCHER ... ..	4	WALTER LAGO ... ..	Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by A. S. BAYLEY.

First peal of Triples as Conductor. Rung half-muffled to the memory of the fallen, also as a token of sympathy to all those bereaved in the neighbourhood.

STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

*CHARLES H. BRIGGS ... ..	Treble	*CHARLES DRAPER ... ..	5
WALTER HORTON ... ..	2	*ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... ..	6
HARRY BRIGGS ... ..	3	JAMES F. CLARKE, JUN. ... ..	7
*HAROLD D. ARGYLE ... ..	4	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... ..	Tenor

Composed by W. HARRISON.

Conducted by T. W. CHAPMAN.

\* First peal in the method. Rung on Armistice Day. The ringers tender their best thanks to the Rector (Canon Disney) for the use of the bells.



**SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(THE CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHGATE, SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

*ALFRED G. CRANE ... .. Treble	NORMAN A. TOMLINSON ... .. 5
JOHN ARMSTRONG ... .. 2	HARRY MILLER ... .. 6
GEORGE BESTER... .. 3	JOHN E. MILLER... .. 7
EDMUND G. TOMLINSON ... .. 4	WILLIAM PICKWORTH ... .. Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. Conducted by J. ARMSTRONG.

\* First peal of Major. Rung to commemorate Armistice Day, also as a birthday compliment to Miss E. K. Parker, who was unable to take part.

**STOKE, COVENTRY.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

EDWARD H. JOHNSON ... .. Treble	ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... .. 5
WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 2	*JOSEPH F. SIMPSON ... .. 6
OSWALD J. HUNT... .. 3	FRANK PERVIN ... .. 7
WILLIAM T. COX... .. 4	WILLIAM CLEMENTS ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES WASHBROOK. Conducted by F. PERVIN.

\* First peal in the method. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect for the men of Stoke who fell in the war, particularly L.-Cpl. F. Andrews, a late member of the Stoke band, and L.-Cpl. J. F. Simpson, the only son of the ringer of the 6th; also for the Rev. Arbuthnot, D.D., Archdeacon of Coventry, who passed away on Friday, the 10th inst., and who had been a Vice-President of the Warwickshire Guild since its formation.

**COGGESHALL, ESSEX.  
THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN  
ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER AD VINCLIA,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

WALTER SADLER ... .. Treble	ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM 5
*WILLIAM HOWELL ... .. 2	*WILLIAM ELLIOTT ... .. 6
WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. 3	ERNEST W. BECKWITH ... 7
FRANK CLAYDON ... .. 4	*ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method by the Association. Rung in honour of Armistice Day and to celebrate the 26th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Beckwith, also as a birthday compliment to W. Sadler and Master E. Beckwith, son of the ringer of the 7th.

**HENLEY, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 3 lb. in A flat.

REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON Treble	WALTER RUFFLES ... .. 5
WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. 2	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... .. 6
GEORGE BENNETT ... .. 3	THOMAS W. LAST ... .. 7
ALPHAUS J. BERRY ... .. 4	THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. EARLE BULWER. Conducted by T. W. LAST.

Rung to commemorate Armistice Day; also as a birthday compliment to Alphaus J. Berry.

**EAST DEREHAM, NORFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 17 lb.

JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 5
GEORGE T. PEGNALL ... .. 2	FRANK H. DAVEY ... .. 6
TONY PRICE ... .. 3	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... 7
*WILLIAM J. WASKY ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Rung half-muffled to the memory of fallen comrades. \* First peal on eight tower bells. † First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. W. B. Duncan's 50th peal.

**STAPLEHURST, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21½ cwt.

HARRY BAKER ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, JUN. 5
WILLIAM E. PITMAN ... .. 2	REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... .. 6
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT ... .. 3	BENJAMIN BAKER... .. 7
ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. 4	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. H. MARTIN. Conducted by A. E. EDWARDS.

Rung to celebrate Armistice Day and as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

**OLDHAM.**

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

(OLDHAM & DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS, MOORSIDE,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

*F. DUNKERLEY ... .. Treble	J. W. TAYLOR ... .. 5
I. SCHOFIELD ... .. 2	S. M. BUTTERWORTH ... .. 6
S. STOTT ... .. 3	C. E. PLATT... .. 7
F. LAWTON... .. 4	H. BARLOW ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. THORPE. Conducted by H. BARLOW.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor in the method. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect for those who lost their lives in the war.

**HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 19½ cwt. 6-8 covering.

DAN PHILLIPS ... .. Treble	J. G. MACDOUGAL ... .. 5
CHARLES BONE ... .. 2	*ALBERT FRY ... .. 6
CHRIS. BAKER ... .. 3	JOHN DALE... .. 7
*ARTHUR ROLPH ... .. 4	*HENRY GRIMWOOD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN DALE.

\* First peal. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of those who fell in the Great War.

**CRADLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.**

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

ALFRED WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	HARRY A. MEREDITH ... .. 5
JOSEPH BLOOMER... .. 2	ARTHUR WYRE ... .. 6
HAROLD SHUCK ... .. 3	JOSEPH H. COX ... .. 7
HARRY WYRE ... .. 4	ARTHUR BEASLEY... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. COX.

This peal was rung to commemorate the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice, and also as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 6th. First peal in any method by all except ringer of the 5th, and also the first peal rung by a purely local band for 25 years.

**ALFRED BOWELL,  
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,  
IPSWICH.**

PERRY BARR, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

GEORGE T. MITCHISON ... Treble	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... 5
CHARLES COTTRELL ... 2	GEORGE F. SWANN ... 6
RICHARD INGRAM ... 3	GEORGE F. GARRISON ... 7
JONATHAN PRESTON ... 4	FREDERICK W. RISEWORTH Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

This was the conductor's 300th peal and was rung to celebrate Armistice Day.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLLIS' FIVE-PART.

FRANK TURNER ... Treble	FREDERICK MORTLOCK ... 5
FREDERICK LEEKS ... 2	STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... 6
FREDERICK POULSON ... 3	WILLIAM FAYERS ... 7
ARTHUR SYMONDS ... 4	WILLIAM R. J. POULSON Tenor

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

Rung with half-muffled clappers in memory of the soldiers and sailors of the British Empire who fell in the Great War.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Nov. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

ERNEST DUMPER ... Treble	CHARLES J. FRAY ... 5
OWEN H. GILES ... 2	*ALBERT MARKS ... 6
GEORGE POLLINGER ... 3	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... 7
†WALTER G. ROWE ... 4	WILLIAM T. TUCKER Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Double Norwich. † Birthday peal. This peal was rung for evening service on Armistice thanksgiving Sunday. All the above are Sunday service ringers at this Church.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Nov. 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

ERNEST WHITING ... Treble	*CHARLES ROOPE ... 5
CHARLES CUTTING ... 2	FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... 6
HERBERT H. PIERCY ... 3	RUSSELL RICHES ... 7
CHARLES BAKER ... 4	TOWNSON ADCOCK Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

\* 100th peal.

HULL.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Nov. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

THOMAS S. MORTON ... Treble	HARRY RODMELL ... 5
*ERNEST C. FIELD ... 2	†EDWARD S. FIELD ... 6
†JOHN McKEAG ... 3	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... 7
ARTHUR M. C. FIELD ... 4	LEONARD RODMELL Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by G. F. WILLIAMS.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd. The composition is now rung for the first time. J. McKeag was elected a member of the above association previous to starting.

Pressure upon our space has necessitated the holding over of the reports of a number of peals and other items this week.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Nov. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

*FREDERICK W. RADFORD ... Treble	†HARRY BURDOCK ... 5
SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... 2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 6
ERNEST WEATHERBY ... 3	GEORGE W. STEERE ... 7
HARRY HUTTON ... 4	ALFRED H. PULLING Tenor

Composed by JAS. HUNT. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method away from the treble. Rung to celebrate the fourth anniversary of the signing of the Armistice.

WESTERHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23½ cwt.

ARTHUR J. LEWIS ... Treble	HENRY J. SELBY ... 5
ARTHUR H. PALMER ... 2	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... 6
ISAAC EMERY ... 3	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... 7
GEORGE H. DAYNES ... 4	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. James,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

WILLIAM BIGGIN ... Treble	G. FREDERICK ALLAN ... 5
†MISS KATHLEEN JACKSON ... 2	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... 6
GEORGE M. THORPE ... 3	†HAROLD WALKER ... 7
*MISS ELSIE E. SMITH ... 4	A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS Tenor

Composed by A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS. Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Major.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Dunstan-in-the-East,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... Treble	WILLIAM PYE ... 5
GEORGE R. PYE ... 2	WILLIAM MILLER ... 6
CHARLES T. COLES ... 3	HAROLD W. CLARKE ... 7
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... 4	REUBEN SANDERS Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

The above is the conductor's 800th peal.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicolas,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

OWEN H. GILES ... Treble	CHARLES J. FRAY ... 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... 2	D. CECIL WILLIAMS ... 6
FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 3	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... 7
EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 4	CHARLES W. CLARKE Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITTSROW. Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

▶ GREAT REDUCTIONS, ▶

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

WOOLHOPE, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Nov. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. Treble	*IVOR PROBERT ... .. 4
†ALEC TAYLOR ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... .. 5
*ARCHIE PROBERT ... .. 3	WALTER TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

\* First peal of Minor. † First peal of Minor with a bob bell.

BLOXHALL, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Plain Bob and Double Court, two 720's of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Treble Bob and one of Woodbine.

H. G. SMITH ... .. Treble	J. SMY ... .. 4
W. SMITH ... .. 2	A. E. SMITH ... .. 5
W. SAWYER ... .. 3	A. LING, JUN. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. LING.

Rung on Remembrance Day.

ICKLETON, CAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being one 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, and two 720's each of Kent, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor. Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

P. C. LUKE BROOKES ... .. Treble	JESSE WEBB ... .. 4
REGINALD CLEMENTS ... .. 2	WALTER FLITTON ... .. 5
PERCY WEBB ... .. 3	ARTHUR G. LILLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by P. WEBB.

Rung with the bells fully muffled in memory of the men of the village who fell in the war, including four local ringers; also as a token of respect for the two churchwardens who each lost his mother the week previous. It was also a 70th birthday compliment to J. Webb, who introduced method ringing at this town 25 years ago, and a birthday compliment to A. G. Lilley.

NEWINGTON-NEXT-SITTINGBOURNE.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Plain Bob and Oxford Single Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM SPICE ... .. Treble	CHARLES MILLIARD ... .. 4
SYDNEY MILLIARD ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. WALKER ... .. 5
THOMAS JULL ... .. 3	WILLIAM NYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM NYE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of those who fell in the war, and on the anniversary of signing the Armistice.

LOWICK, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Woodbine and Oxford, and three of Kent Treble Bob, each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

FRED STUBBS ... .. Treble	*AMOS SMART ... .. 4
FRANK KIRK ... .. 2	RICHARD DENKLEY ... .. 5
THOMAS JERVIS ... .. 3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

\* First peal in three methods. Rung with bells half-muffled. The ringers wish to thank the Rector (the Rev. A. C. Dicker) for the excellent tea provided after the peal.

THE CHART, LIMPSFIELD, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Oxford Bob.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

*ARTHUR FIRMAGER ... .. Treble	EDWARD E. TIDY ... .. 4
CHARLES W. CLINCH ... .. 2	GEORGE TOOTH ... .. 5
PERCIVAL C. TIDY ... .. 3	LEONARD A. TIDY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by L. A. TIDY.

\* First peal, and rung at first attempt. Rung with the bells half-muffled for Remembrance Day.

MATHON, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Sunday, Nov. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of College Single, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

ANDREW LAYTON ... .. Treble	CHRIS. BOWERS ... .. 4
*ROLAND LEWIS ... .. 2	GEOFFREY LEWIS ... .. 5
DAVID HORNE ... .. 3	GEORGE JORDAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY LEWIS.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor. This peal was rung in commemoration of Armistice Day.

STAPLEFORD, CAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Nov. 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 0 qr. 3 lb. in A flat.

CHARLES JENNINGS ... .. Treble	ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... .. 4
PERCY WEBB ... .. 2	T. REGINALD DENNIS ... .. 5
FRED NUNN ... .. 3	ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST G. HIBBINS.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in remembrance of the men of the village of Stapleford who fell in the Great War.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE VICARAGE, PERRY BARR,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 1—2	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 5—6
*RICHARD INGRAM ... .. 3—4	*FREDERICK W. RISHWORTH 7—8

Conducted by MORRIS J. MORRIS.  
Referee: GEORGE T. MITCHISON.

\* First peal on handbells. The band greatly appreciate the Vicar's invitation to ring the above in his comfortable study.

COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Nov. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
IN THE RINGING CHAMBER OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor size 16 in B.

WALTER LAGO ... .. 1—2	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 5—6
WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 3—4	ALFRED S. BAYLEY ... .. 7—8

Conducted by A. S. BAYLEY.  
Witness: W. R. EVANS.

First peal of Triples 'in hand' as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Bert Rixom, one of the local ringers, who was 21 on Monday Nov. 13th.

### NEW DERBYSHIRE PEAL. BELLS DEDICATED AT WEST HALLAM

On Saturday, November 11th, the opening of the new peal of bells at West Hallam, Derbyshire, took place. The old peal of six bells had been considered unsafe, and very badly out of tune, and the whole were, therefore, recast and rehung in an iron frame for eight. At the same time Westminster clock chimes were added, the restoration having been undertaken as a war memorial. The work was placed in the hands of Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, and was carried out in a way which reflects the greatest credit upon the firm. The new peal are a very nice musical ring, and something for the parishioners to be proud of. The dedication service took place on the afternoon of Armistice Day, the ceremony being performed by the Bishop of Derby, who set the clock going, in order that it might chime and strike the hour of three. The bells were chimed by six of the local band while the Bishop and clergy returned to their places for the conclusion of the service.

Subsequently six members of the Ilkeston band raised the bells in peal, and rang a well-struck 720 of Kent Treble Bob: J. H. Niffe 1, E. C. Gobey (conductor) 2, C. J. Baker 3, H. Straw 4, H. Harrison 5, J. F. George 6.

A tea and social was held in the Schoolroom in the evening, at the invitation of the Rev. A. E. Wicks. After tea, the eight handbells, which had been supplied by the bell founders as part of their contract, were brought out, a few courses of Grandsire Triples being rung with the help of Mr. R. Richardson, of Surfleet, and Miss A. Parkins, who arrived just before tea.

The ringers returned to the tower, and kept the bells going in Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise, and a 720 of Double Court was also rung, Miss A. Parkins taking part in most of the touches. The conducting was shared by Messrs. R. Richardson and E. C. Gobey. Other ringers were present from Derby (A. H. Ward), Silston and Ilkeston, also Mr. Denison Taylor from the Loughborough Foundry. Everyone was delighted with the tone and the 'go' of the bells. The Rector spent most of the evening in the tower, and brought several visitors, including Mrs. Wicks.

The Rector said the only complaint he had heard was that they were short of the other two trebles to complete the octave. He hoped, however, they would be coming very shortly.

#### THE INSCRIPTIONS.

The inscriptions on the old bells have been reproduced, including the inverted word 'his' on the 4th. To the treble, 2, 4, 5 and 6 have been added 'Recast 1922 by J. Taylor and Co., Loughborough.'

The new tenor is 9 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lbs. in G, the old tenor having been 8 cwt. 2 qrs. 23 lbs.

Treble.—Bless ye the Lord all ye His Hosts. In memory of the Rev. Charles John Newdigate. Given by the congregation, A.D. 1878.

2nd.—Gloria in Excelsis Deo. In memoriam, Caroli Johannis Newdigate, A.D. 1876. Fratrum et Sororis Donum.

3rd.—Recast to the memory of Elizabeth Williamson, 1922.

4th.—GOD SAVE OUR CHURCH, 1743.

5th.—GOD SAVE THE CHURCH, 1618.

6th.—Laudate Nomen Domini. In memoriam, Caroli Johannis Newdigate, A.D. 1876. Fratrum et Sororis Donum.

### CENTRAL COUNCIL'S 'ROLL OF HONOUR.'

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—May I, through your columns, touch on two matters of interest to the Exercise.

(1) Ringers' Roll of Honour.—I have now corrected returns from the secretaries of just over half the number of ringers' associations. Realising the difficulty and work that such returns entail, I do not wish to be unduly pressing. I merely wish to point out that until all returns are in my hands I can get no further in the preparation of the roll.

Can someone give me any information as to the Irish Association?

(2) Library.—I have now available a record of ringing from 1871 to present date, except for 'Bell News,' 1906, January 27th and Sept. 8th; 1907, March 9th.

Can someone supply these?—Yours truly,

Broadlands, Caversham.

CYRIL W. O. JENKYN.

### THE ARTHUR T. KING MEMORIAL.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—As there appears to be some misapprehension as to what was in the minds of the sub-committee appointed to deal with the above, when they issued their appeal, I would like to point out that the primary object is to erect a memorial tablet in Barnet Church.

The sub-committee hope that this will be generally understood, and that there will be a generous response to their appeal, so as to secure that a memorial worthy of their late president may be erected.

Several subscriptions, already received, will be duly acknowledged in your paper at an early date.—Yours faithfully,

C. T. COLES, Hon. Sec. to the Sub-Committee.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES. MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

One of those rare old peal boards upon which is recorded the figures, as well as other particulars of a noteworthy performance, is to be found in West Ham tower. This gives the details of a 15,121 of Bob Major rung in eight hours and 40 minutes by the Society of Eastern Scholars, on Monday, November 25th, 1737: Jn. Braby 1, Thos. Hart 2, Bob Goodyer 3, Jno. Bradshaw 4, Tho. Bennett 5, Jon. Long 6, Fra. Popham 7, P. Mainwaring 8.

Subject to correction, we believe this to have been the longest length ever rung at that early date. In March of the same year a 12,603 Grandsire Caters was rung at Norwich, and in April a 12,006 Grandsire Caters at Painswick, but the West Ham peal is the first 15,000 of which we have any knowledge.

Another early peal at West Ham was a 5,400 Oxford Treble Bob Royal rung by the Royal Cumberlands on Nov. 27th, 1758, and is recorded as being 'the greatest performance ever completed in this method on ten bells.' 'Samuel Wood called bobs,' and it is interesting to note that he and Francis, who also rang in the peal, were members of the family from which sprang that famous old London ringer, Matthew Wood, of Bethnal Green.

On November 27th, 1729, a peal of 6,204 Grandsire Cinques was rung at St. Michael's, Cornhill, and as far as records go this was the only successful peal rung by that old society, the London Scholars.

W. D. Crofts, who in his day was a ringer of great repute in the Midlands, died on November 29th, 1909, aged 67 years. He rang his first peal in 1765, and his last on November 11th, 1793. Of the 29 peals which he rang, he conducted 26, and included in his list were peals of 6,012, 8,046 and 10,260 Grandsire Caters. Other methods in which he rang peals were Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Royal, Double Bob Royal and Oxford Treble Bob Major and Royal.

On November 25th, 1799, a peal of 6,006 Grandsire Cinques was rung at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, by the Union Society.

The first peal of Treble Bob Triples was rung at St. Peter's, Huddersfield, on November 25th, 1821.

After a period of twenty-six years, Mr. William Lomas has, through failing health, reluctantly resigned from the position of hon. secretary to the Sheffield Cathedral company. This office was also held by his late father for a similar number of years. Although giving up the reins as an official, Mr. Lomas will remain an active ringing member, and still retains the good wishes of the company for his future health and happiness.

Mr. Sidney F. Palmer has been appointed his successor, and attention is directed to our notice columns as to details with regard to ringing affairs at the Cathedral.

Mr. James George, of 'England,' will be 69 next Monday. He had 3 hours' practice last Saturday with the 'little 'un' at 'Wedgbury' previous to turning the Southwark tenor in next Saturday to Kent Maximus. Since his last birthday he has rung his first two peals of London Surprise Major with a working bell, and rung Bow tenor to a peal.

The man that rang the Wednesbury tenor last Saturday is over 70 years of age. When is J. G. going to ring that one to a peal?

Two new trebles have been added at Wicken to make a ring of eight. The whole peal has been hung in a new frame upon the existing oak beams, and the old bells have been overhauled. The work was carried out by Mr. A. Howell, of Ipswich, and the bells have been dedicated by the Bishop of Leicester.

The ringer of the 5th in the peal of Minor, at St. Botolph's, Lincoln, on November 11th, was William Bettles.

## BELL RINGERS FORGOTTEN.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—In our diocese of Canterbury there is to be, from Nov. 26th to December 3rd, a week of prayer for the Church, and for all those who work in the Church. In the pamphlet of suggestions which has been issued, several departments of church workers are mentioned for intercession, viz., the choir, sidesman, churchwardens, the Council, and, of course, the clergy, but one fails to find the least word of reference to the (as some in their modesty term us) humble bell ringer. Now, sir, it may be that the once despised servant of the Church has at last raised himself to the exalted position of perfection that no prayers are now necessary—or is it that his work is not deemed by high authority to be of sufficient importance to be included in an intercession? Perhaps if he made a little more noise it might be.—Faithfully yours,

Elham,  
A. CASTLE.

## THE LATE MR. TOM WALLIS.

Mr. J. W. Steddy, Edenbridge, Kent, acknowledges with thanks donations towards the fund in aid of the widow and daughter of the late Mr. T. Wallis, who are left totally unprovided for. Previous list £7 5s.; Lewisham district meeting, per Mr. Groombridge, £1 4s. As the fund will definitely close on Nov. 30th, will all intending subscribers kindly send at once?

## THE SUGGESTED FEDERATION IN SUFFOLK

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Mr. Coleman states that I 'endorsed' a memorandum, of which he sends you a copy, which appears printed with my name 'signed' at the foot. These epithets cannot both be correct; in fact, neither are. I only put my name to the document in order to affix some strong reservations. What right has Mr. Coleman to let my name appear unreservedly, when I attached lengthy reservations to it? How can any sort of business be transacted if one's intentions are to be so flagrantly perverted as this?

Moreover, in the body of this memorandum there is printed a 'note' in the first person. Who is this person? It is obviously not I who would have written it. Why, then, is my signature put at the foot, when I never attached my name to it? Apparently it is a private note between Mr. Fawcett and Mr. Coleman. At any rate I know nothing about it, and have never authorised my signature to be attached.

My signature was attached to the reservations (at Mr. Coleman's request, by the way), in order to make it clear that I was quite opposed to all the proposals, but that if the other two members of the sub-committee were agreed, I would not press my opposition.

Some weeks later Mr. Fawcett told me that he had not drawn up the memorandum, but that it was entirely the work of Mr. Coleman: he also had only signed it at Mr. Coleman's request, and did not agree with it. As Mr. Coleman knows that I repudiated this memorandum as soon as I knew that he had fathered it on me at the committee meeting at the beginning of this year, and as I told him he must not use it unless his signature appeared on it, why does he mention it in his report, and now insert it in your columns?

The statement upon which Mr. Coleman says 'further comment appears unnecessary' was that no member of the new Diocesan Society had supported these proposals. To prove that they have, he publishes a tinkered document to which are attached the disputed signatures of two persons, who have both since repudiated the use which he has made of this document, and one of whom was not even a member. I say without any hesitation that there is no foundation for the statement which appears in Mr. Coleman's report. If that objectionable statement appears in the printed copies of the report, it will be untrue and actionable, and every member of the Norwich Society will be involved.—Yours, etc.,

HERBERT DRAKE.

Ufford Rectory, Woodbridge, Suffolk.

Nov. 17th, 1922.

## CONFUSION OF NAMES.

Dear Sir,—The handbell peal of Bob Major rung at Lavenham on Thursday, Oct. 19th, 1922, should be recorded for the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association, and not the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, as published.

It is a great pity, and unfair, that the Norwich and Ipswich Association should still use 'St. Edmundsbury' in their title, after being unsuccessful in their attempt at winning St. Edmundsbury territory and ringers over. The word is meaningless in that title, and will give rise to such trouble as above correction, also to the Peal Analysis Committee.

It is hoped that the N. and I.A. will revert to their old title, and give up that territory which 'they have not won,' thereby showing the friendly spirit voiced at their last general meeting, and more strongly 'cementing' that brotherhood existing between Norfolk and Suffolk 'brother strings.'—Yours truly,

S. H. SYMONDS.

P.S.—The foregoing is the general opinion of the ringers of the St. Edmundsbury District Branch, St. E. and I.D.A.

## THE SEPTUAGENARIANS' PEAL.

Mr. Philip Hodgkin, of Headcorn, Kent, writes: It was very interesting to read of the veterans' peal at Pullham Market, in which the performers were all over 70 years of age, but I find in looking over the peal book of James Barham, of Leeds, Kent, there is a peal recorded by a still older band, although they were not all over 70 years of age. The record is as follows:—

On Tuesday, January 1st, 1795, was rung at home (Leeds, Kent), 5,040 changes of Bob Major, in 3 hours 12 mins. by

	Age		Age
Samuel Grayling	82—1	James Hunt	70—5
Thomas Barham	70—2	Thomas Lacy	65—6
Abraham Barham	77—3	James Barham	67—7
William Davis	65—4	James Freeland	86—8

The whole making 582 years.

This peal completes the hundred rung at several places by James Barham.

The Pullham Market band, adds Mr. Hodgkin, will, therefore, have to ring a peal in another year's time to beat this performance.

## THE GIFFORD MEMORIAL FUND.

Amount previously acknowledged, £24 18s.; Mr. J. Gould, Bristol, 2s. 6d.; Mr. J. George, Birmingham, 2s. 6d.; Mr. A. G. Hornsby, £1 1s.; total, £26 2s.

## PAID SERVICE RINGERS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—You are certainly correct, when you say that the report of the annual meeting of the Fyde Branch makes sad reading, but I am very much afraid that many other areas besides Fyde could tell the same tale of apathy. But cannot we also see in this report the glimmer of a glorious dawn, for it takes no small amount of moral courage on the part of the secretary to state so boldly in his report what he considers to be the root cause of this apathy; and though we have shirked it, many of us ringers know in our hearts that this is one of the two great obstacles that are to-day standing in the way of real progress in our noble art. It is certainly up to the ringers themselves to remove these obstacles from our path. And, Mr. Editor, I would go even a step further than you, and say that even out-of-pocket expenses, incurred for service ringing, should be part of the self-sacrifice a ringer makes for his church, for at the most, it only means some small luxury occasionally sacrificed, and placed in the light of the sacrifices made by our forefathers, is really too trivial to be mentioned. Is it not the first duty of a ringer to place his talent at the feet of the giver?

And this leads to the other great obstacle in our path, which is, the churchmanship of ringers. How many of the thousands of ringers in this country of ours are taking a real active part in the work of the whole church? Are not too many of us satisfied to do a little in the ringing chamber, and leave the rest to take care of itself? Do we really give our service in the tower to the praise and worship of God? Is there not more of the selfish pleasure our art affords us than there should be? Does it really take a second's place, making worship the primary object of our art, the proud position of the lead?

I am certainly convinced that if we ringers would only shoulder more of our own responsibilities, take an active part in the work of the whole Church, see that we had full representation on her councils, a far better spirit of fellowship would be maintained, and we should hear no more of these continual quarrels between ringers and clergy, or councils; for, working together for the common cause of Christ, they would each realise the other's difficulty, and by mutual self-sacrifice and forbearance work together for the good of the whole.

In conclusion, allow me to offer my thanks to the secretary of the Fyde branch for placing the matter boldly before the eyes of the Exercise, and I trust that my old friend, his deputy Master, will support him with all the power behind him. He, too, has had the worries of secretaryship. They have a cause in front of them well worth the fight; and that the ringers of the whole country, who have their hearts in the work of the church, will rally to their ranks to hasten forward the glorious dawn, when the pure voice of the Church shall sound over hill and dale thrown out by bands of a true Christian brotherhood—is the hope of

A HUMBLE SERVANT IN THE ART.

## NORTH WINGFIELD'S NEW TENOR.

## REMEMBRANCE DAY DEDICATION.

On Saturday, November 11th, the parishioners of North Wingfield were delighted to again hear their bells, which had been silent for four months. The whole peal has been overhauled by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough. All the bells are now on ball bearings, the clappers have been rebushed, and pulley wheels renewed. The tenor bell has been recast at the expense of Brig-General Jackson, in memory of his son who was killed during the late war. The church was filled to its utmost capacity for the dedication ceremony, at which the Ven. Archdeacon Crosse officiated. He first dedicated the tablets which had been placed in church in memory of the men of North Wingfield, Tupton and Egston. Afterwards the choir and clergy proceeded to the tower, and the new bell was solemnly dedicated. General Jackson ascended the tower with the parish clerk (Mr. T. Allibone), and sounded the tenor the first few strokes, after which it was raised by the parish clerk. The hymn, 'Let our bells ring from the steeple,' was sung by the choir and congregation. The organist, Mr. Butlerworth, had harmonised the old tune 'Stuttgart,' and bell effects were beautifully brought in on the organ.

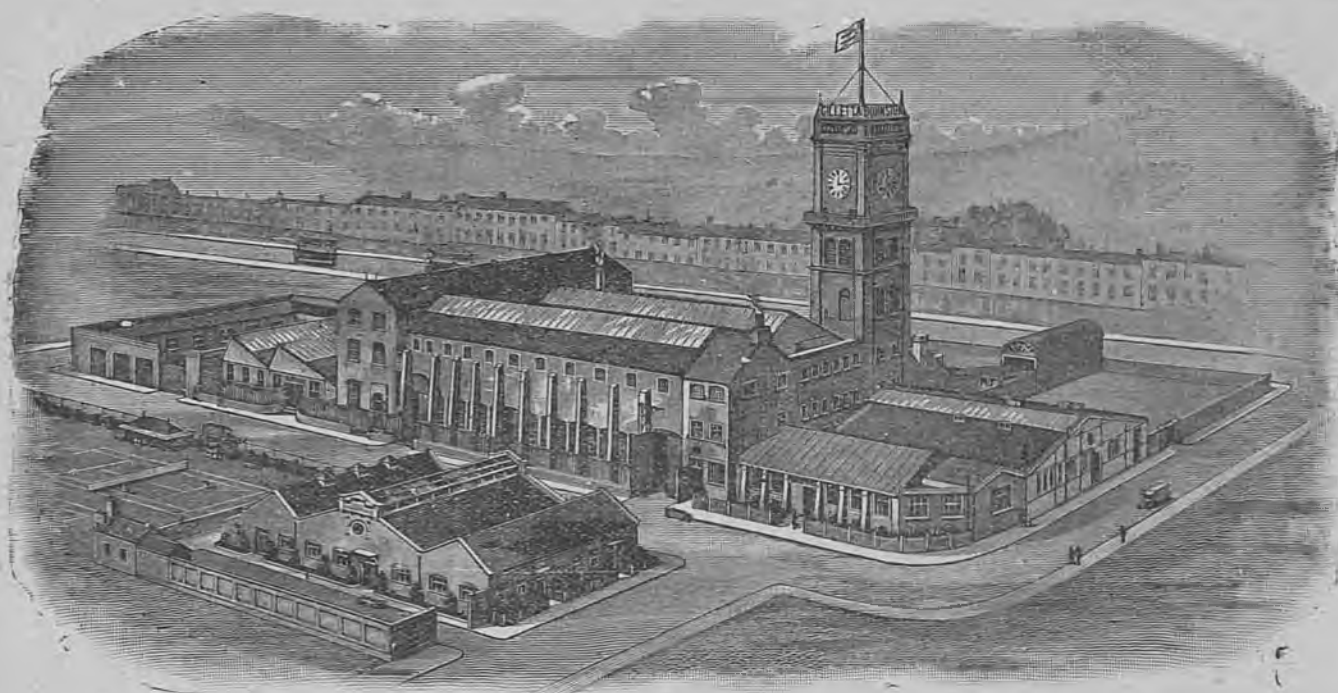
A public tea was held after the service, to which over 200 sat down. The clergy present were Ven. Archdeacon Crosse, the Rev. A. J. B. Ellerton (Rector), the Rev. O. J. Boden, a former Rector, who read the lesson, the Rev. R. E. Tinsley (curate), and the Rev. R. V. Dodd, of Tupton, Mr. A. Knights (Chesterfield) and many others. The bells were kept merrily going until 8 p.m. by mixed bands, one and all being highly satisfied with the beautiful tenor and the 'go' of the bells.

The old tenor was brought to North Wingfield in 1820, when the new ten were put in the crooked steeple at Chesterfield. It bore the date 1611, and was cast of George Oldfield. The previous tenor was dated 1749, and was cast by Daniel Hedderley, according to the church registers.

The new bell bears the old inscription, with the following added: Recast 1922. In memory of Geoffrey Laird Jackson, captain, Rifle Brigade, killed in action near Arras, April 9th, 1917. — A. J. B. Ellerton, Rector. T. Allibone, parish clerk.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

## THE COLLEGE YOUTHS' DINNER.

(Continued from page 731.)

### THE YEAR'S DOINGS.

Mr. Cockerill, who was cordially received, responded to the toast of 'The Ancient Society of College Youths,' and said expressions of regret for absence had been received from Mr. J. S. Pritchett, Mr. E. H. Lewis, Mr. Stainer, and Mr. R. A. Daniell, while a telegram had been received from Mr. C. S. Burden, from Darlington, conveying best wishes to the 'Master and all ancients and friends doing honour to our beloved society.' During the year, continued Mr. Cockerill, 68 practices had been held, which 118 members had attended at some time or other. The members made during the past year numbered 34, and they had lost, by death, Mr. W. W. Gifford, Mr. F. Hayes and Mr. S. Howe. The number of peals rung was 35, viz., Grandsire Triples 5 (3 on handbells), Grandsire Caters 1, Bob Major (on handbells) 1, Treble Bob Minor 1, Treble Bob Major 1, Treble Bob Royal 1, Double Norwich Major 2, Stedman Triples 5, Stedman Caters 12, including one rung that day at Stepney (applause), Stedman Cinques 4 (one on handbells), Cambridge Royal 1, London Major 1. Mr. Jenkyn had mentioned the long peal at Appleton, and several who took part in the peal were present in the room that night (applause). He thanked them very sincerely for the kind way they had honoured the toast.

### IN MEMORIAM.

An impressive feature followed, when, at the request of the Master, the company rose in remembrance of the men who laid down their lives in the war. No speech was made, but the Master read the following lines, written by Mr. J. Rowbotham, in memory of the illustrious dead, and particularly of the members of the society who fell:—

They have passed away,  
Those stalwarts of our art,  
Who, by their love and labour,  
Toiled incessantly,  
Probing the mysteries of Campanology.  
Their ring was true, in every chime,  
Their works shall stand, like monuments,  
For all time.  
Let those who follow, though unseen,  
Cherish their works, honour their names,  
And keep them ever green.

In those silent graves, over there,  
Our brother Youths lie sleeping.  
They died that we might live in peace;  
Their souls are in safe keeping.  
All honour them, though their lives are o'er,  
Their names shall live for evermore.

### KINDRED SOCIETIES.

The Vice-Chairman proposed the toast of 'London and Provincial Ringing Societies,' and expressed the pleasure of the members at seeing so many friends present that evening from north, south, east, west and the Midlands, and it said much for the interest in change ringing that so many friends should be gathered together in one centre. He would like to mention as a matter of special interest the augmentation of the peal at St. Mary's, Taunton, from 10 to 12 bells. It was a matter of gratification, and they would all look forward with added interest to the doings of their friends in the west. They also welcomed friends from the Royal Society of Cumberland Youths, who had just re-opened their bells at St. Martin's, their headquarters. They also had representatives present from the London County Association, who were still progressing in their activities from the foundations laid by the St. James' Society. He had to couple with the toast the names of Mr. Young and Mr. Howard. Mr. Young, as they all knew, was secretary of the Central Council, and did a very valuable work in that connection. Mr. Howard needed no introduction, for, when they mentioned the Essex Association they instinctively thought of Mr. Howard, the Master (applause).

Mr. Young, who first responded, expressed the pleasure it was to the members of kindred societies to be present upon the anniversary of that fine old society, the College Youths. The lesser Associations operating in the London area were, he felt, doing excellent work in feeding the two larger societies. In conclusion Mr. Young mentioned the newest of these organisations, and one with which he was connected, the St. Clement's Youths, on whose behalf, as well as for the other London Societies, he thanked the College Youths for their kind reception.

Responding for the Provincial Societies, Mr. Howard said his own association held the Ancient Society in great reverence. His connection with the Essex Association went back to 1885, when in Braintree they had a band of expert six-bell ringers, all members of the College Youths, and in looking through the College Youths' peal book that evening he had come across a peal rung in 1884 by Braintree ringers in 14 Minor methods. Mr. William Dyson took

part in that peal, and four of the ringers were alive to-day. Mr. Howard recalled the help which the then young Essex Association received from the College Youths. To-day he was pleased to say the Essex Association had secured its place among the change ringing societies of England, and they were in the proud position of having over a thousand members (applause). When he joined the Association there were only two eight bell towers in the neighbourhood of Braintree, now there were nine or ten. Only a few years ago Essex could not boast of a single twelve bell tower, to-day they had three. Continuing, Mr. Howard said he had always had one object in view in ringing. He was not a great peal ringer, but he had always tried to raise the standard of ringers, and no one had helped him more than the clergy. At one time the clergy were even suspicious when the association went into a parish, but now they were welcomed, and the clergy looked upon them as a valuable body of church workers. He happened to be not only a member of the Parochial Church Council, but secretary of the Ruri-Decanal Conference, and a member of the Diocesan Conference, and when the matter to which Canon Coleridge had referred came before the National Assembly he mentioned the matter to Conference, urging that ringers should remain under the clergy. They had always got on well together, and the ringers did not want better masters (applause).

Mr. T. Faulkner proposed 'The Visitors,' in felicitous terms, and Canon Haldane, who first responded, said he felt he was only returning the many visits which the Society had paid to him at the Cathedral. They were always glad to see them there (hear, hear). He was careful how he put that (laughter), because last year, when he paid them a compliment which was perfectly true, and told them that people who had heard them ring had said to him 'Why doesn't everybody ring like that?' it got into 'The Ringing World' and his ringers read it. They could imagine what happened after that (laughter). On this occasion, therefore, he did not want to make any suggestion that the College Youths were any better than the Southwark ringers. When, later, it devolved upon him to get a fresh body of ringers he went straight to the College Youths and asked them to find him the best man they could to train a new band, and he was pleased to say they were making great progress under a well-known member of that society, Mr. Newton (applause). He was very grateful to the society for what they had done for the ringers at Southwark.

The Rev. W. Pennington Bickford also responded, and remarked that while he had not aspired to be Master of their Ancient Society, he happened this year to be a Master in another Ancient Society, the Society of Free and Accepted Masons, and was Master of his own parish lodge. The Rev. Pennington Bickford referred to the assistance which he received from Mr. Young in connection with the formation of St. Clement's Youths at his own Church, and the help which was given to them by many members of the Ancient Society of College Youths.

Mr. C. H. Horton gave 'The Press,' and, referring to the early days of ringing, said that all that the Exercise was able to secure was a little corner in 'Bell's Life,' which was a sporting paper. Then came that famous little organ, 'Church Bells,' after that 'Bell News,' then 'Campanology' and 'The Bellringer,' and now they had 'The Ringing World.' It was a paper of great advantage to ringers, and he was sure everyone appreciated the work that was done by the journal in the interests of change ringing. The only thing they had to wish was that they could have a larger paper at a smaller price (laughter). They had with them the Editor of the paper, who had done everything that man could do to increase interest in change ringing generally, and he was sure that that society and all interested in ringing wished Mr. Goldsmith and his paper the greatest success and long life (applause).

Mr. J. S. Goldsmith acknowledged the toast, and remarked that Mr. Horton's wish for a larger paper at a smaller price would be realised as soon as a sufficiently large number of ringers by their support made it justifiable (applause). It should be the aim of all ringers to do their utmost to spread the knowledge of the art and to strengthen the bonds of that brotherhood to which they were all so proud to belong, so that when the time came to say 'This is all,' they could feel satisfied they were leaving the Exercise a little better than they found it. This was the aim which he had in 'The Ringing World,' and which would continue to animate its conduct in the future (applause).

The speeches were interspersed with musical items of a very enjoyable nature. Songs were sung by Mr. Harold Judd, Mr. Percy Judd, L.R.A.M., A.R.A.M., Mr. H. Castell and Mr. W. H. Judd. All were encored, and Mr. W. H. Judd had an uproarious reception for his most amusing topical song, 'Ringing Reminiscences.' On more than one occasion this title has covered entertaining verses, but this year the 'mixture' was even better than ever. A feature of the programme was the handbell selections of Mrs. A. A. Hughes, who rang 'Friend o' Mine' and 'Love, could I only tell thee' upon some very sweet-toned bells in a most delightful way. It was quite a remarkable performance, and needless to say, was vociferously encored.

'Auld Lang Syne' brought a most enjoyable evening to a close.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**PUTNEY.**—On Sunday, Nov. 19th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins.: E. Cassel 1, J. Herbert 2, H. Whanslaw 3, H. Beicher 4, H. Smale 5, T. Bolton 6, W. T. Elson 7, G. F. Edwards 8. Conducted by W. T. Elson. Arranged for Mr. Smale, of Potter Street, Harlow, Essex. C. Moody stood out to oblige G. F. Edwards, of Fulham.

**FULHAM.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday evening, Nov. 19th, 1,263 Stedman Caters, in 50 mins.: W. H. Hollier 1, J. Walsom 2, A. Cutmore 3, W. H. Wood 4, G. C. Iles 5, F. H. Crook 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, A. Harding 8, H. A. Folkard 9, H. F. Rivers (first quarter-peal on ten bells) 10.

**NORTHFIELD.**—At the Church of St. Lawrence, on Sunday, Oct. 22nd, in 30 mins., 720 Plain Bob Minor: R. Russell 1, E. Rose 2, J. Withers, junr., 3, J. Vaughan 4, P. O. Lafiu 5, J. Withers (conductor) 6.

**BUCKLEBURY.**—Oxford Guild.—On Sunday, Oct. 22nd, for evening service, at St. Mary's Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,360 changes), in 52 mins.: Miss Emma Franklin 1, W. Wigmore 2, G. Davis 3, S. Chapman 4, J. Hazel 5, F. Freeman 6, W. Mathews 7, Miss Stella Davis (conductor) 8.

**BRAINTREE.**—For Matins, at the Parish Church, on Sunday, Oct. 22nd, 640 Kent Treble Bob: G. Wiffen 1, C. H. Howard (conductor) 2, H. E. Hammond 3, G. Melbourne 4, W. H. Dyson 5, G. Lindridge 6, L. W. Wiffen 7, E. I. Slade 8.—On Monday, October 23rd, on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. H. Blyth and Miss N. Mayo, 864 and 1,280 Kent Treble Bob: H. E. Hammond 1, W. J. Sadler 2, G. Wiffen 3, G. Melbourne 4, C. H. Howard (conductor) 5, F. Ely 6, G. Lindridge 7, W. H. Hammond 8.—Also 504 Stedman Triples: H. E. Hammond 1, W. J. Sadler 2, C. H. Howard 3, G. Wiffen 4, G. Lindridge 5, W. Pye 6, L. W. Wiffen (conductor) 7, F. Ely 8.

**THANET.**—At St. Lawrence Church, on Sunday, October 22nd, 504 Grandsire Triples: C. F. Wright (first 504) 1, L. Twyman 2, T. Scott 3, W. G. Birch 4, W. J. Jarman 5, H. W. Moody, R.A.F., 6, A. E. Jarman (conductor) 7, J. Jarman 8.

**BATH, SOMERSET.**—At St. Mary's Church, Bathwick, on Sunday, October 22nd, for morning service, for the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), composed by the late A. E. Seer, in 45 mins.: W. Crocker 1, G. Temple 2, C. Densley 3, F. C. Rich 4, H. W. Brown 5, T. F. King 6, R. J. Cousins (conductor) 7, H. Davis 8.

**SOUTHEND-ON-SEA.**—On Sunday, October 22nd, for afternoon men's service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters: A. Berry 1, S. W. Gorden 2, H. T. Wilson (conductor) 3, G. Bacon 4, C. P. Chalk 5, W. Dowsett 6, W. Dudley 7, Clr.-Sergt. J. Bennett (Chatham) 8, G. E. Wilson 9, W. Bacon 10.

**CARDIFF.**—On Sunday, October 22nd, for evening service, at St. John's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,277 changes), in 52 mins.: W. Richards 1, F. Smith 2, W. Bolton 3, S. Dawe 4, E. Hunt 5, H. West 6, E. Coombes 7, A. Parnell 8, F. Chamberlain (conductor) 9, S. Barker 10. First quarter-peal for the ringer of 1 and 8.

## LATE NOTICES.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—The next meeting of the Western Division will be held at Armley, on Saturday, December 2nd. By kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. Thomas Goodchild), the new peal of 8 bells will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. Tea will be served in the Parochial Hall at 5 p.m., and all applications for same must reach Mr. P. Whiteley, 9, Darris Place, Wortley, not later than first post on Saturday, November 25th. For further particulars, please see circulars.—F. Hopwood, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke Hon. District Secretary.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wimborne Branch.—The annual meeting is to be held at Wimborne Minster on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4.30, with address by the Vicar (Rev. A. L. Keigh). Tea in Church House, 6d. each, at 5. The new ring of 6 at Corfe Mullen will be available.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Oxford City and District Branch.—A meeting of the above will take place on Saturday, Dec. 2nd, at Oxford. Service in St. Aldate's Church at 4 p.m. Tea, followed by business meeting, in Rectory Room, 4.45 p.m. Tea, 1s. Please notify W. Harris, Branch Sec., 28, New Street, St. Ebbe's, Oxford.

## REMEMBRANCE DAY RINGING.

**BARNES.**—At St. Mary's, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, with the bells half-muffled: J. Willmott 1, H. Barrett 2, W. H. Stevens 3, M. Jacobs 4, R. Mackrill 5, H. Cook 6, C. Hunt (conductor) 7, P. Stratton 8.

**FINEDON, NORTHANTS.**—A quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 47 mins.: T. Abbott 1, P. J. Manning 2, H. Tompkins 3, H. Ette 4, G. Ette 5, J. R. Main 6, G. Bastford (conductor) 7, H. J. Buckley 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled.

**BURSLEM, STAFFS.**—On Armistice Day, at the Parish Church, three 720's of Kent Treble Bob Minor, in three different callings, with the bells half-muffled: H. Box 1, P. Kelsell 2, A. Lees 3, T. Hurd (conductor) 4, J. Hurd 5, T. Hilditch 6.

**BEDWELLY, MON.**—At St. Sannan's Church, on Armistice Day, 360 Grandsire Doubles, with the bells half-muffled: T. Lewis 1, L. Rowlands 2, G. Poppell (conductor) 3, W. Williams 4, W. Powell 5, T. Poppell 6, B. Hughes 7, J. Powell 8. Also 240, with M. Thomas 4. First 120 for all the band except the conductor. All are local ringers.

**FRAMLINGHAM.**—An attempt for a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major, half-muffled, was lost two courses from home: F. Keefe 1, N. R. Bailey (conductor) 2, A. Watson 3, J. Garratt 4, V. Kerridge 5, D. G. Wightman 6, C. Button 7, J. Hall 8.—On Sunday afternoon, Nov. 12th, for memorial service, half-muffled 944 Bob Major, composed by G. Hollis: J. Foreman 1, V. Kerridge 2, J. Hall 3, J. Garratt 4, A. Watson 5, W. E. Maulden (conductor) 6, C. Button 7, H. Hall 8.

**WORPLESDON, SURREY.**—On November 11th, with the bells half-muffled, 720 of Bob Minor, in 33 minutes: Mrs. Bruce 1, G. Chandler (conductor) 2, Miss K. Avenell 3, C. Slyfield 4, C. Heather 5, S. Pether 6.

**EARLS COLNE, ESSEX.**—With the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes) of Grandsire Triples, taken from Parker's Twelve-part: S. Fleuty 1, J. Fleuty 2, W. Scillitoe 3, R. Fleuty 4, W. Arnold 5, F. Claydon (conductor) 6, J. French 7, S. Warno 8. Also 216 of Bob Minor, conducted by J. French.

**SUDBURY, SUFFOLK.**—At All Saints' Church, with the bells half-muffled, touches of Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Stedman Triples were rung. The ringers taking part were: G. Dixon, M. Silvester, T. Chinery, W. Lee, G. Tatum, A. Scott, D. Elliott (conductor), A. Maxim, C. Clarke, L. Ollerton, W. Head.

**ROCHESTER.**—At the Cathedral, 1,277 Grandsire Caters, half-muffled, in 55 mins.: C. Winsor 1, A. Osborne 2, J. Haigh 3, J. Kidd 4, R. Paine 5, C. H. Norris 6, W. Easter 7, W. Haigh 8, F. Richardson (conductor) 9, F. Belsey (first quarter-peal on ten) 10.

**ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—At St. Leonard's Church, with the bells half-muffled, 720 Plain Bob Minor (42 singles): A. Cherryman, junr., 1, W. White 2, G. Steele 3, A. Cherryman, senr., 4, E. Godley 5, A. White (conductor) 6. Also 360 Cambridge Surprise, 240 London Surprise, 240 Kent Treble Bob Minor, with F. Trusler, R. Stredwick and R. S. Cherryman taking part.

**EDENBRIDGE.**—At the Parish Church, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: E. Leigh, junr., 1, R. Jenner 2, H. Leigh 3, W. Leigh 4, J. Heasman 5, G. Malyan 6, J. W. Steady (conductor) 7, E. Collison 8.

**DUNSTABLE, BEDS.**—With the bells half-muffled, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major, in 50 mins.: J. C. King 1, Canon W. W. C. Baker 2, A. V. Good 3, A. G. Matthews 4, G. W. Heley 5, F. Ramsey 6, J. B. Marks 7, A. E. Sharman (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal in the method by the ringers of 1, 4, 6 and 7. Also first quarter-peal of Double Norwich ever rung in the tower by an entirely local band.

## FAMILY PEALS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I was somewhat amused at 'Once a Beginner's' article on delusions, in which he appears to infer that I am guilty of trying to filch the honour due to the Banister family.

I must ask him to get rid of this 'delusion' at once, for in my letter to you at the time, I claimed nothing beyond the fact that I rang a peal of London Surprise Major with my father on a certain date, not thinking at the time of the Woolwich peal, but a letter I sent a few days after, calling attention to the Banister activities in bygone days, appears to have miscarried, as it was not published.

I would also like to ask 'Once a Beginner,' if he was so surprised at my statement that we had rung such a peal, that he could not pull himself together sufficiently to write you about that peal of which he knew so well, for had he done so, surely one of our letters would have caught your eye, and the matter would have been settled there and then, instead of dragging along all this time, to be finally disposed of to the accompaniment of personal digs, which have, more than once in the past, produced in your correspondence columns, a spirit which should be foreign to a body united for the purpose of advancing our art in general, and confined to specialists in throat-cutting for footnotes.—Yours faithfully,

T. GROOMBRIDGE, Junr.

**DEATH OF MR. W. J. ALLEN.****PASSING OF A WELL-KNOWN NORTHAMPTON RINGER.**

We deeply regret to record the death, at his residence, 10, Talbot Road, Northampton, of Mr. William John Allen, one of the best known and most respected Northampton ringers. The sad event occurred on Sunday morning, November 5th. Mr. Allen contracted double pneumonia, and despite all that skill could do, and the unremitting care of a devoted wife, he passed away within a week. The sympathy of the Exercise will go out to Mrs. Allen and family in the heavy bereavement they have suffered.

Mr. Allen first learnt to ring at St. Edmunds, where he stayed for a short time, afterwards joining St. Peter's Society, and subsequently, in 1900, the All Saints' ringers, when he made rapid progress as a ringer and conductor. He rang his first peal in 1902; his first of Stedman in 1906, which he also conducted, at St. Edmund's, Northampton. It was also the first peal of Stedman in Northampton by a local band. He conducted the only peal of Cambridge Major rung in Northampton, at All Saints' in December last year. Altogether he had rung 77 peals in the following methods: Doubles 2, Minor 16 (conducted 3), Grandsire Triples 2, Stedman Triples 18 (conducted 10), Bob Major 7 (conducted 2), Kent Treble Bob Major 1, Double Norwich 5, Superlative 14 (conducted 8), Cambridge Major 1 (conducted 1), Grandsire Caters 3, Stedman Caters 2, Bob Royal 2, Kent Treble Royal 2, Cambridge Royal 1, Erin Triples 1. He was appointed foreman of All Saints' bellry on the Tuesday he lay ill; but, alas! he never fulfilled the office.

Deceased was most regular and punctual in his attendance for Sunday ringing at All Saints', ever ready to help at other towers when not on duty at his own; always ready to help to make up a band for a peal, being an able conductor, a very good striker and a safe ringer. He will be very much missed, and his loss to All Saints', Northampton, and to the other towers in town and county, cannot be measured.

The funeral took place on Thursday, November 2nd. The service at mid-day was at All Saints' Church, when there assembled many ringers and friends, including Messrs. S. Lawrence (district secretary), F. Wilford, F. Hopper, J. Metherall, B. Soden, W. Gammage, A. Moore, W. Moore, W. Parker, W. G. Farey, Mrs. Waldoek (representing Mr. Grant, treasurer of the All Saints' ringers), Mrs. Eales, Mr. Wilford, son, Mrs. Oxley. The cortege was met at the west door by the Vicar (the Rev. Geoffrey O. Lunt, M.A., M.C.) and the Rev. O. St. M. Williams, B.A., curate. The coffin was borne in to the church by four of the deceased brother ringers and two of his fellow-workers: Messrs. H. Blundell, W. Farey, H. Rainbow, J. Dean, E. Malpas and A. Underwood. The mourners were the widow and other members of the family. The service was taken by the Vicar, and the lesson was read by the Rev. O. St. M. Williams.

The interment took place at Kingsthorpe Cemetery, where the committal prayers were said by the Rev. O. St. M. Williams. There were a large number of floral tributes, including wreaths from All Saints' bellry, and ringing friends of Northampton.

Touches were rung with the bells half-muffled in the evening. At All Saints' Church the whole pull and stand was rung, also 168 Grandsire Triples by H. Blundell 1, A. Robinson 2, S. J. Lawrence 3, L. Farey 4, F. Wilford 5, A. Moore 6, W. Farey 7, W. G. Farey 8. A course of Stedman Triples and a course of Superlative were also rung. Messrs. Moore (Daventry) and Stewart (Northampton), who took part, were old ringing friends. At St. Edmund's Church the whole pull and stand was rung 42 times, representing the deceased's age, also various touches, the ringers being T. Tebbutt, J. Metherall, F. Hopper, W. Rogers, J. Hensman, W. Gammage, S. Burton (Leicester), J. Mackay and B. O. Soden.

At St. Giles' Church, two courses of Grandsire Caters and three of Stedman Caters were rung by W. Rogers, H. L. Key, W. Sibley, J. Metherall, B. O. Soden, F. Hopper, J. Hensman, S. Burton, G. Flavell, J. Freeman, E. James and A. Monk.

On Saturday a half-muffled peal of Stedman Triples was rung at St. Edmund's.

Mrs. Allen and family desire to express thanks to all those who assisted in the ringing, and those who sent floral tributes and messages of sympathy to them in their sad bereavement.

**RINGING AT 84.**

To commemorate the 84th birthday of Mr. Wm. Newell, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters was rung on November 8th, at Reading, Mr. Nowell ringing the 8th. For a man of his years the performance was remarkable, the striking and handling of his bell being an example to many a younger ringer.

Mr. Newell has been associated with St. Lawrence's tower for many years, and still does all that is necessary to keep the bells in good going order, while he also is an outstanding example of regularity and punctuality in attendance.

The quarter-peal of 1,349 changes was rung in 55 minutes by Miss M. Mackman 1, A. Osborne 2, S. E. Davis 3, F. Hopgood 4, C. Giles 5, A. Sweetzer 6, A. Wiggins 7, W. Newell 8, J. R. Mackman (conductor) 9, A. Lovejoy 10. First quarter-peal by ringers of treble, 5th and tenor.

**NOTICES.**

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 8d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, Commercial Road, Woking.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Chertsey on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30, tea and meeting afterwards.—G. Miles, Owlsmoor, Camberley, Surrey.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Goole on Saturday, Nov. 25th, by kind consent of the Vicar (the Right Rev. Bishop G. D. Iliff, D.D.). Bells (8) available from 1.30. Service 4 o'clock, at which it is hoped the address will be given by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield. Tea in Church Schools at 5 o'clock.—A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—An interim meeting of the above will be held at Biddenden on Saturday, Nov. 25th, by kind permission of the Rector (Rev. Collis). Ringing to commence at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. All members intending to be present must notify me not later than Tuesday, Nov. 21st.—C. Tribe, Hon. Dis. Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Wymondham on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells available 2 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m. It is hoped all who can will attend.—George T. Peggall, Dist. Sec.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Hertford on Nov. 25th, when the bells of All Saints (10), St. Andrews (8), and Bengoe (8) will be open during the afternoon and evening. Service at St. Andrew's at 5 o'clock; address by the Rector. Tea 1/-; business meeting after. All members and friends will be heartily welcome.—W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dist. Sec., Little Munden.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Grappenhall Branch.—The next meeting of the branch will be held at Grappenhall, on Saturday, Nov. 25th, commencing at 2.30.—John E. Ashcroft, Hon. Sec., Post Office, Grappenhall.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Guildford, on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells—Holy Trinity (8) and St. Nicholas (10) available at 3 o'clock. Service at St. Mary's Church at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30. Business meeting and social to follow.—E. Raddon, Hillcrest, Baillie Road, Guildford.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A Monthly meeting of the above will be held at Basford, Nottingham, on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Ringing from 4.30 to 8.30 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m. All are welcome.—T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District. — The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Hitchin, on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting at "The Grange" after service.—F. R. Bacon, Hon. District Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch. — The next meeting will be held at the Church of the Saviour, Bolton, on Saturday, 25th November. Bells available 5 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Biggleswade, on Saturday, Nov. 25th. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Tea at 5. Business meeting to follow for the election of officers. It is hoped all members will try and attend. All ringers and friends welcome.—C. J. Ball, Dist. Sec., 2, Temperford Road, Sandy.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Bedford to-morrow (Saturday) Nov. 25th, by permission of the Vicar (the Rev. G. J. M. Kingston). Ringing from 3 p.m.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, Nov. 27th; Sundays, St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—Meeting for practice will be held at \*St. Paul's Cathedral, Nov. 28th, at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Norton-sub-Hamdon on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.—F. Farrant, Branch Sec., Martock, Somerset.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ludlow District.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Tenbury on Saturday, Dec. 2nd, 1922. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow.—P. Lane, Dist. Hon. Sec., 19, Castle View, Ludlow, Salop.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Hemel Hempstead, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells available 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow in St. Mary's Hall.—F. J. Reeve, Hon. Dist. Sec., Tring.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 2nd, at St. Leonard's Church, Bilston. Tower open 3 p.m. (8 bells). Guild service in Church 5 p.m., with an address by the Vicar (Rev. G. E. Ford). Tea and meeting to follow. Tea, 6d. each, to those only who notify me first post Nov. 30th latest. Subscription, 6d. per member, for 1922 now due.—F. Colclough, Hon. Sec., 1, Earl Street, Bilston.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch. The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30. Trusting for a good attendance.—John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch. —The next meeting will be held at the Town Hall, Manchester, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells ready 3.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Stoke on Saturday, Dec. 2nd.—A Vaughan, Hon. Sec., 26, Clarence Street, Newcastle, Staffs.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Portishead, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 at the White Cot Dairy, with business meeting to follow.—Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.** — The next meeting of the above will be held at Great Chart on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (6) available from 2.30. Tea, 1/- each, at The Black Dog at 5 o'clock.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Furness and Lake District Branch.—The next quarterly ringing meeting will take place at Kirkby-in-Furness on Saturday, Dec. 2. Bells (6) available from 2.30.—W. T. Clark, Hon. Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Staveley on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock in the Rectory Barn, 1/6 each.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Chipping Sodbury on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 5. Service, 6 o'clock.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**DEDICATION.**—The ring of 10 at St. Nicholas', Brighton, recast and rehung by Gillett & Johnston, of Croydon, will be dedicated by the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Lewes, on Tuesday, Dec. 5th, 1922, at 8 p.m.

**SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL COMPANY.**—With a view to encouraging the art of ringing on the higher number of bells, an open practice will be held every Thursday from 7.30 to 9 p.m., commencing on Thursday, Dec. 7th. All ringers welcomed. Will ringers kindly note that future applications for the loan of books from the late Charles Henry Hattersley Library should be made to the Company Librarian, Mr. William Chown, 68, Canada Street, Pitsmoor, Sheffield; but applications for the use of the bells and all other business matters must be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Sidney F. Palmer, 87, Bradley Street, Crookes, Sheffield.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division. —A meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 9th, at the Parish Church, Rotherham. Bells (10) ready at 3. Service at 5; preacher: the Rev. Canon Allen. Tea at 5.30 in the Parish Church Hall, Moorgate, at a reasonable charge. Will those requiring same please notify Mr. C. Ryder, 16, Godstone Road, Rotherham, by Wednesday, the 6th?—F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 18, Royston Ave., Bentley Road, Doncaster.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western Division.—The annual meeting of this division will be held at St. Michael's, Bishop's Stortford, on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells available 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m.; tea and business to follow at Chequers Hotel.—F. Dench, Hon. Dist. Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Garston on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells ready at 3.30. Service at 5.30. Tea and meeting 6. Members intending being present please send word to Sec., Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.



**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Michael's, Bristol, on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells open from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.15 followed by tea and a business meeting, at which it is hoped every member will make a special effort to be present. The subscriptions for the current year should then be paid. Miss E. K. Parker hopes to attend this meeting. All ringers will be very welcome, and other bells will be available in the evening. Names of those who intend to be present at the tea should please be sent to Miss Smith, 23, Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol, by Dec. 4th without fail.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Exeter Branch. — The annual meeting of the above will be held at St. David's Institute, Exeter, on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Service 4.30 p.m., Parish Church. Tea, 5 p.m., 9d. each; meeting and election of officers to follow. All ringers welcome. The following towers will be open from 2.30 p.m.: St. David's, St. Sidwell's, St. Petrock's, Heavitree.—J. C. Oke, Assist. Hon. Sec., 35, St. David's Hill, Exeter.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Great Hampton on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Service at 4 p.m. Tea provided for those who send me their names by the Tuesday previous.—J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch. —A branch meeting will be held at St. Michael's Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, Dec. 9th, 1922. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Unveiling of Peal Tablet by the Rev. Canon Elsee, 3.30. Tea will be provided in the School at 5 o'clock. Will those intending to be present kindly send word early to Mr. A. Tomlinson, 57, Boxwood Street, Blackburn? A hearty invitation is extended to all ringers and friends. Meeting to follow tea.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch. —The next monthly meeting will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting, 6.30. All ringers welcome.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 31, Samuel Street, Middleton.

**BRISTOL UNITED GUILDS.**—SECOND ANNUAL DINNER will be held at the Grand Hotel, Broad Street, Bristol, on Saturday, Jan. 13th, 1923, at 6.30 p.m. Most of the City church bells will be available for ringing between 2.30 p.m. and 5.45 p.m. The dinner will be followed by a social evening. Tickets (on sale now), 6s. each, may be had from Mr. J. Gould, Mr. H. Howell, Mr. J. G. Jeffries, Miss Smith, all Bristol Guild secretaries; Mr. A. Walker, 81, Baker Street, Sparkhill, Birmingham; Mr. P. C. Williams, 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol; or from Hon. Sec., Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

#### SITUATION WANTED.

Ringer requires Situation, any suitable job will be accepted. Many years as WAREHOUSEMAN. Instructor on 6 and 8 bells, with little experience of 10, tower and handbells. Permanency preferred.—A. S. Morris, 5, King's Head St., Harwich, Essex.

#### WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Winchester District was held at Romsey on Saturday, November 11th. The Abbey bells were available during the afternoon and evening, and were kept going to Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob, Double Norwich, Kent, Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Major. Tea was held in the Churchroom, the Vicar of Romsey being present.

At the business meeting afterwards, with the Rev. W. E. Colchester in the chair, Canon Braithwaite being unable to attend, the balance sheet was adopted. This showed a balance with the treasurer of £8 and balance in hand £1 12s. 2d.

The retiring officers were re-elected, viz.: Chairman, Canon Braithwaite; secretary, W. T. Tucker; Central Committee, W. Andrews and J. W. Faithfull; auditor, G. Smith.—The Chairman proposed, and Mr. Andrews seconded, a hearty vote of congratulation to Mr. Geo. Williams, Master of the Guild, upon being the first official of the Guild to achieve the great distinction of ringing his 1,000th peal.—The motion was carried by acclamation, and Mr. Williams briefly replied.

It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Southampton on November 3rd, 1923, and quarterly meetings at New Alresford in February; Lockerley and East Tytherley in May; Thursley in August.

Amongst those present at the meeting were the Rev. N. C. Woods, general secretary; Mr. George Williams, Master; Mr. E. J. Harding, secretary, Portsmouth district; Mr. C. W. Clarke, Bedford, and members from Alton, Bishopstoke, Curdridge, Porsea, Bournemouth, North Stoneham, Southampton, Winchester, and the Abbey band.

A vote of thanks was passed to the District Secretary, and also to the Vicar of Romsey for the bells and room for the meeting.

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

*Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.*

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YOKES.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
COVENTRY.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells.——Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDBURN, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 804 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Gaversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..	4	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3¼ in.	3½ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

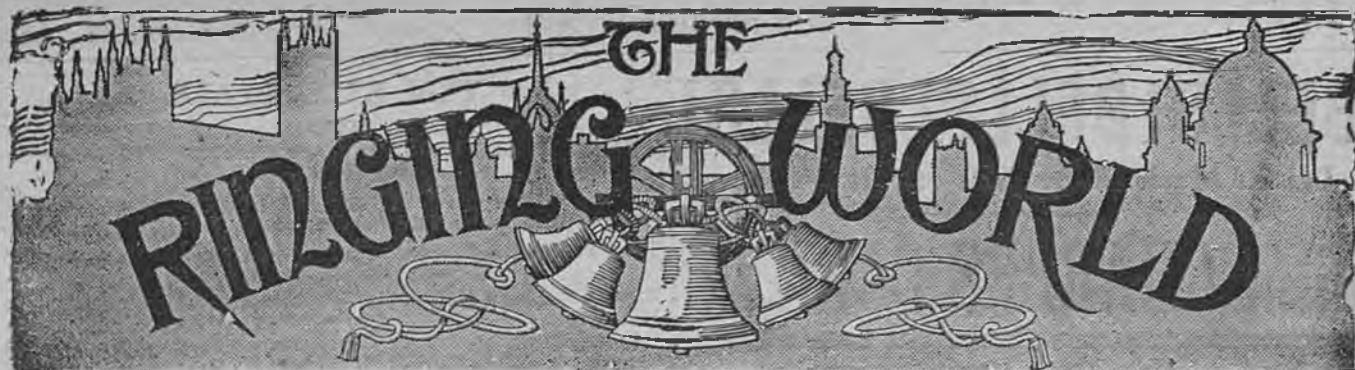
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 35/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Bell House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 611. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1st, 1922.

Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

### CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

## BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### WHY NOT A REFERENDUM?

To the outsider it looked, at one time, as if the lion and the lamb were going to lie down together in Suffolk, and that everything was for the best in the best of all possible worlds; but recent developments now make it appear that this is very far from being the case. The friction between the two associations has increased, rather than otherwise, by statements made in the last few weeks, and it is quite certain that good relations cannot be restored until, at least, there is a better understanding between all concerned. The confusion which exists between the names of the two organisations, and the inconvenience to which it may give rise, is but a secondary consideration; the real point of disagreement is that of territory, and it will be a matter of regret if this question cannot soon be settled. The issue as it stands at present seems to us to lie between the endeavour of the old Norwich Diocesan Association to embrace West Suffolk, and the desire of the new St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association to bring within its sphere of influence East Suffolk, which, until the division of the diocese took place, formed part of the former Diocese of Norwich.

As the Rev. H. B. Woolley puts it, in a letter elsewhere in this issue, the desire of the East Suffolk men to retain their allegiance to the old association is perfectly understandable, and, in accordance with the policy of 'self-determination,' of which we hear so much in these days, the new Suffolk Society must recognise the right which these ringers have to settle their own destiny. At the same time the view of the looker on is that the Norwich Association endeavoured to 'jump the claim' in West Suffolk, and that it is unfair to hold on to that area unless they can show justification, as indicated by affiliated towers, for so doing. The solution of the present impasse is not at all easy, but that is no reason why those concerned should not overcome the difficulty. Once the question of territory is agreed it will not be hard to adjust the respective titles, but a mere amendment of names, without a definition of areas, will not remove the difficulties which underlie the present position.

It is hardly likely that any proposal that could be offered would meet with general acceptance on both sides, and it will be a question of give and take if an amicable settlement is to be arrived at. One hesitates, therefore, to make a suggestion, but it might be worth while to take a referendum of the ringers in the county of Suffolk, so that a really definite knowledge may be obtained as to their views? It ought to be possible to frame some agreed questions, the answer to which would be the basis of a settlement. The existing state of affairs neither encourages the advance of the Art nor promotes the spirit of brotherhood.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

Messrs. **CHARLES CARR, Ltd.**

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

**JOHN NICOLL,**

**Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.**

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

**Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Nov. 20, 1922, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS THE MARTYR, THAMES STREET,  
A PEAL OF MIDDLESEX SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... .. 6
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 3	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 8
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 9
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 5	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.  
First peal rung in the above method.

SOUTHEAST-ON-SEA, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Nov. 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, PRITTLEWELL,  
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5093 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

† ALFRED G. BERRY ... .. Treble	* SIDNEY W. CORDEN ... .. 6
* LIONEL H. PAGE ... .. 2	GEORGE E. WILSON ... .. 7
HENRY T. WILSON ... .. 3	* CLER. SGT. J. BENNETT, R.N. 8
CHARLES P. CHALK ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. JUDD ... .. 9
WILLIAM DUDLEY ... .. 5	* WILLIAM J. T. BACON ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by H. T. WILSON.  
\* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First peal and first attempt.  
This peal was arranged for CLER. SGT. BENNETT, who hails from  
Chatnam. A. G. Berry and L. H. Page were elected members of the  
Essex Association previous to start of peal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BLEWBURY, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Nov. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

HARRY GREENOUGH ... .. Treble	WALTER V. WEBB ... .. 5
ALFRED H. WEBB ... .. 2	BRUCE CORDEROY ... .. 6
FREDERICK G. JAMES ... .. 3	ALFRED T. BUSHBY ... .. 7
CHARLES E. GREGORY ... .. 4	ROBERT N. ALDRIDGE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK JAMES.

GLOUCESTER.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Nov. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY DE CRYPT,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

CHARLES H. AUSTIN ... .. Treble	GEORGE L. BRUNSDON ... .. 5
WILLIAM HARRIS ... .. 2	JOHN AUSTIN ... .. 6
CAPT. A. A. BENNETT, C.A. 3	ERNEST E. DAVIS ... .. 7
JESSE GILLET ... .. 4	ALBERT MARTIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

Rung as a farewell peal to Capt. Bennett, who was leaving for  
New Zealand.

PENTRE, RHONDDA.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

GEORGE WINES ... .. Treble	THOMAS HAMLIN ... .. 5
HARRY PAGE ... .. 2	* FREDERICK LASBURY ... .. 6
JAMES CROSS ... .. 3	TOM PAGE ... .. 7
† HERBERT DAVIES ... .. 4	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by B. ANNABLE. Conducted by TOM PAGE.  
Rung on Commemoration Day. \* First peal of Bob Major. † First  
with a bob bell. First peal in the method as conductor.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Nov. 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM BIBBY ... .. Treble	HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 5
JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. 2	FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 6
GEORGE H. RANGLES... .. 3	*JAMES MORGAN ... .. 7
EDWARD JENKINS... .. 4	CECIL RADDON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

\* First peal of Cambridge. Mr. H. W. Wilde's 200th peal.

KIBWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRED,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*FRED STANFORTH ... .. Treble	SHIRLEY BURTON... .. 5
*MISS PHYLLIS HARE... .. 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 6
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... .. 3	HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 7
JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 4	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by H. J. POOLE.

\* First Surprise peal. First Surprise peal on the bells. Miss Phyllis Hare, of Peterborough, was elected a member prior to starting for the peal.

CROSS STONE, TODMORDEN.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

JAMES RICHARDS ... .. Treble	FRANK FIELDEN... .. 5
LEWIS HOLROYD ... .. 2	WILLIAM CRAE TREE ... .. 6
MISS R. A. BELL... .. 3	*JAMES LEES... .. 7
JOHN NASH ... .. 4	HERBERT DAVENPORT ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES.

Conducted by H. DAVENPORT.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt. The ringer of the 7th bells from Balderstone, Miss Bell belongs to Cross Stone, ringers of 4th and 5th to the Unitarian Church, Todmorden, remainder to the Parish Church, Todmorden.

BEDWELLY, MONMOUTHSHIRE.  
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SANNANS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE POPNELL ... .. Treble	CHARLES GREEDY ... .. 5
FRANK J. BAILEY... .. 2	JOHN W. JONES ... .. 6
WILLIAM B. BISS... .. 3	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 7
ERNEST H. HUNT ... .. 4	THOMAS MIDDLETON ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by JOHN W. JONES.

First peal on the bells, which are a ring of eight by Messrs. Taylor and Co., augmented from six to eight and opened in March last year. Arranged as an inducement to the local band, who have commenced to learn change ringing.

NEWBURY, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD  
(NEWBURY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 22½ cwt.

*CHARLES POOLE... .. Treble	RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 5
ALBERT W. J. BIRD ... .. 2	EDWARD R. ROBESY ... .. 6
MISS STELLA DAVIS ... .. 3	*HENRY W. CURTIS ... .. 7
SAMUEL QUINTIN ... .. 4	*WILLIAM E. CHALLIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD G. RICE.

\* First peal and members of the local band. Rung as a birthday compliment to S. Quintin, foreman of the Newbury ringers, and E. R. Robesy, who most kindly entertained the band to tea after the peal.

DARLINGTON, DURHAM.  
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb.

CHAS. TODD ... .. Treble	THOMAS CLARK ... .. 5
REV. ALBERT SIMPSON ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. PORTER ... .. 6
ALBERT HUNTER ... .. 3	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. 7
*NORMAN PARK ... .. 4	GEORGE W. PARK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. H. PORTER.

This peal was arranged and rung in honour of the 50th birthday of Mr. G. W. Park, one of the original members of Holy Trinity bellry, Darlington, and incidentally as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 2nd, 4th and 5th, and Miss Mary Park. \* First peal of Stedman.

GODALMING, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM MOOREY ... .. Treble	CHARLES CHILDS... .. 5
MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... .. 2	ARTHUR J. BARTLETT ... .. 6
THOMAS ATTWELL ... .. 3	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 7
CHARLES BISH ... .. 4	ROBERT PAMMENT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES HAZELDEN.

This peal was arranged as a farewell to the Rev. G. C. Fanshawe, 18 years Vicar of Godalming, who is leaving shortly to become Rector of St. Maurice with St. Lawrence, Winchester.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S NO. 1.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

WILLIAM R. DRAGE ... .. Treble	GEORGE FREEBREY ... .. 5
ALLAN R. HICTON ... .. 2	*EDMUND C. CHASTY ... .. 6
ALBERT H. WARD ... .. 3	JOSEPH BAILEY ... .. 7
CHARLES HART ... .. 4	THOMAS HUTCHINSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. H. WARD.

\* First peal of Stedman with bob bell. Arranged for Mr. E. C. Chasty.

SHOREHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 10½ cwt.

†FREDERICK PAIGE ... .. Treble	JOHN WHEADON... .. 5
†ARTHUR H. PALMER... .. 2	HERBERT J. FORD ... .. 6
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 3	*FRANK TERRY ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... .. 4	*HERBERT C. CRABB ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

\* First attempt for a peal. † First attempt on eight. ‡ First attempt in the method. Rung after meeting short for Stedman. This was arranged as a 'come-back' peal for H. J. Ford, it being his first attempt for over 22 years. F. Terry was proposed a member previous to starting.

BARKING, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 22½ cwt.

ERNEST G. COTTIS ... .. Treble	EDWARD H. KING ... .. 5
*HENRY E. PARKER ... .. 2	CALEB FENN... .. 6
GEORGE W. FAULKNER ... .. 3	ROWLAND FENN ... .. 7
EBENEZER ANDREWS... .. 4	ALBERT C. HARDY ... .. Tenor

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

Conducted by CALEB FENN.

\* First peal of Surprise. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, who has now conducted a peal from every bell in this tower.



ALDERMASTON, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 10½ cwt.

*WILLIAM R. SHERVAL ... Treble	HARRY SIMMONDS ... 5
*MISS M. MACKMAN ... 2	WILLIAM CLARK ... 6
*STANLEY C. DAVIS ... 3	JAMES R. MACKMAN ... 7
*GEORGE COOK ... 4	WILLIAM SIMMONDS ... Tenor

Conducted by J. R. MACKMAN.

\* First peal.

WIDNES, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paul,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

*FREDERICK J. HANCOCK ... Treble	THOMAS W. GILMOUR ... 5
JOHN WILKINSON ... 2	GEORGE LUNT ... 6
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... 3	*WALTER HUGHES ... 7
THOMAS HAMMOND, JUN. ... 4	EDWARD CAUNCE ... Tenor

Composed by JAMES MARTIN.

Conducted by G. R. NEWTON.

\* First peal in the method. This composition (a one-part) is now rung for the first time.

GLASTONBURY, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 23 cwt.

JOSEPH T. DYKE ... Treble	DAVID G. TAYLOR ... 5
GERALD F. GRIFFIN ... 2	WALTER FARLEY ... 6
HARRY BUNGAY ... 3	SAMUEL R. B. HAWKINS ... 7
GEORGE SIBLEY ... 4	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

MITCHAM, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

DR. A. B. CARPENTER'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT ... Treble	WILLIAM H. JOINER ... 5
JAMES D. DREWETT ... 2	ALBERT CALVER ... 6
HERBERT J. SKELT ... 3	ALFRED J. TRAPPELT ... 7
AMOS W. CLARK ... 4	*ALFRED MILLER ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH A. LAMBERT.

\* First peal on eight bells and first attempt.

DEANE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*ERNEST CUTSFORTH ... Treble	THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... 5
FRED CHAMBERS ... 2	TITUS BARLOW ... 6
ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... 3	JOHN POTTER ... 7
THOMAS STANCLIFFE ... 4	JOHN WATSON ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

\* First peal in the method.

PULFORD, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.

ROBERT SPERRING ... Treble	JAMES H. RIDING ... 4
EDWARD HARRISON ... 2	*HARRY THOMAS ... 5
SAMUEL JONES, SEN. ... 3	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... 6
GEORGE R. JONES ... 4	... Tenor

Conducted by SAMUEL JONES, JUN.

\* First peal with a bob bell. Rung after meeting short for Major.

EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Nov. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

BROOKS' VARIATION. Tenor 22 cwt.

T. EAST, SEN. ... Treble	J. S. NAPPER ... 5
MRS. A. E. LOCK ... 2	A. E. LOCK ... 6
E. HUMFREY ... 3	G. CAUDWELL ... 7
R. RICE ... 4	W. GOODENOUGH ... Tenor

Conducted by A. E. LOCK.

BISLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Nov. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

THOMAS PRICE ... Treble	ALBERT WRIGHT ... 5
FRANK COLE ... 2	ALFRED HANNIS ... 6
WILLIAM IRELAND ... 3	JOHN BALLENGER ... 7
CHARLES MARTIN ... 4	WILLIAM BANYARD ... Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At the Church of St. Thomas,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOSEPH CARTER ... Treble	SYDNEY COX ... 5
JOHN E. CLARKE ... 2	ERNEST J. JELLEY ... 6
REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... 7
J. LESLIE WILLIAMS ... 4	JOSIAH MORRIS ... Tenor

Composed by FRED ROBINSON.

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

Mr. J. Morris has now rung each bell in this tower to a peal. The conductor's 200th peal.

NESTON, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr.

ROBERT SPERRING ... Treble	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... 5
*JOHN SCARRATT ... 2	GEORGE R. JONES ... 6
EDWARD HARRISON ... 3	CHARLES COVENTRY ... 7
JAMES H. RIDING ... 4	CHARLES GRIMES ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal with a bob bell.

STRANTON, WEST HARTLEPOOL.  
THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt. in F.

*WALTER SIMPSON ... Treble	JOHN D. BALMFORTH ... 5
FRED P. HOWCROFT ... 2	JOHN G. HALL ... 6
THOMAS METCALFE ... 3	WILLIAM ELLERINGTON ... 7
*NORMAN PARKI ... 4	REV. ALBERT SIMPSON ... Tenor

Conducted by J. REEVES.

Conducted by REV. A. SIMPSON.

\* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells. Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, Rev. P. J. H. Kirner, who kindly entertained the ringers at the Vicarage after the peal.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

**HALLOW, WORCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
 (WESTERN BRANCH & THE ALL SAINTS' YOUTHS.)

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21½ cwt.

*WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. Treble	JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... .. 5
FRANCIS W. NEATE ... .. 2	WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 6
SIDNEY T. HOLT ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. JONES ... .. 4	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by W. PAGE.

\* First peal in the method. First peal of London Surprise on the bells.

**MIDDLETON.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
 (ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr.

JOE HALLOWS ... .. Treble	SAMUEL HOLT ... .. 5
WILLIAM BERRY ... .. 2	FRANK BERRY ... .. 6
JAS. JACOBS ... .. 3	WILLIAM HARDMAN ... .. 7
THOS. K. DRIVER ... .. 4	TOM WELLES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM BERRY.

All the ringers belong to the local band.

**BADSEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
 (SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

*JOHN C. PERKINS ... .. Treble	*JOHN HALL ... .. 5
†MISS NELLIE JOHNSON ... .. 2	FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... .. 6
JAMES HEMMING ... .. 3	†GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... .. 7
*STANLEY WAYMAN ... .. 4	JOSEPH D. JOHNSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by JAMES HEMMING.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First peal of Major on tower bells.  
 First peal of Major as conductor. This was the annual peal for the Association.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

**DINTING, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Oct. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Neasden, College Bob IV, Wragby, Kingston, Sandal, London Scholars and Oxford.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN P. FIDLER ... .. Treble	GEORGE HILL ... .. 4
WILLIAM FEARNLEY ... .. 2	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT ... .. 5
WILFRED WILDE ... .. 3	JOSEPH HECKINGBOTTOM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILFRED WILDE.

First peal as conductor. W. W. Wolstencroft's 100th peal.

**MEREWORTH, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 1922, in Three Hours,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM ELDRIDGE ... .. Treble	TOM SAUNDERS ... .. 4
GEORGE BELL ... .. 2	GEORGE NEWMAN ... .. 5
LEWIS NEWMAN ... .. 3	HARRY BELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by LEWIS NEWMAN.

All belong to the local band. First peal of Treble Bob on the bells.

**BATTERSEA.**—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, at St. Mary's Church, for men's service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: T. Symons 1, O. F. Mitchell 2, A. Clark (first quarter inside) 3, H. H. Mance 4, E. A. Reeve 5, W. Essery 6, H. Mance (conductor) 7, G. Barber 8.

**WHITBOURNE, HEREFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Sunday, Nov. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 14 six-scores of Canterbury, 14 of Plain Bob & 14 of Grandsire.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*J. H. GRIFFITHS ... .. Treble	GEORGE JONES ... .. 4
SIDNEY LEWIS ... .. 2	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 5
GEORGE SOLEY ... .. 3	WILLIAM MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE SOLEY.

\* First peal. First peal in 3 methods by all except ringer of the 5th. Rung as a token of respect for the fallen and to commemorate Armistice Day.

**WEST HAM, ESSEX.**  
**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**  
 (SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION.)

On Friday, Nov. 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, BARKING ROAD,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent, and three of Plain Bob, each called differently.

Tenor 7½ cwt.

GEORGE L. JOYCE ... .. Treble	*THOMAS E. VINCENT ... .. 4
*ALFRED T. WEBB ... .. 2	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
*ARTHUR HALL ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. MILLER.

\* First peal. This peal was rung as a compliment to T. E. Vincent on his 21st birthday.

**ST. IPPOLYTS, HERTS.**  
**THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford Bob & College Single.

Tenor 12 cwt.

ALFRED LINDSAY ... .. Treble	FRANK W. CROFT ... .. 4
WILLIAM J. CROFT ... .. 2	HERBERT E. DAY ... .. 5
RALPH E. CROFT ... .. 3	GEORGE T. CROFT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE T. CROFT.

**COLTISHALL, NORFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN COOPER ... .. Treble	RICHARD HAINES ... .. 4
WILLIAM STIBBONS ... .. 2	CECIL R. CHAMBERLIN ... .. 5
WILLIE C. POOLEY ... .. 3	WALTER C. MEDLER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

**WATLINGTON, NORFOLK.**  
**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in B flat.

EDMUND ROBERTSON ... .. Treble	GRAHAM SPRATT ... .. 4
ALFRED BACON ... .. 2	EDWARD BARKER ... .. 5
CHARLES NEWMAN ... .. 3	LEE FEATHERBY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD BARKER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble.

**Bell Ropes**

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

☛ GREAT REDUCTIONS, ☛

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**

## GEDNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

*ARTHUR E. HOODLESS ... Treble	BERT GOGLE ... 4
FRED WIGMORE ... 2	TONY PRICE ... 5
*GEORGE BUTLER ... 3	CLAUDE COUSINS ... Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

\* First peal. Quickest peal on the bells.

## WEST HALLAM, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRED.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb.

*JOSEPH H. ILIFFE ... Treble	*HENRY STRAW ... 4
EDWARD C. GOBEY ... 2	*HENRY HARRISON ... 5
CECIL J. BAKER ... 3	JAMES F. GEORGE ... Tenor

Conducted by E. G. GOBEY.

\* First peal of Minor. The band wish to thank the Rector (Rev. A. E. Wicks) for his kind hospitality after the peal, also for his congratulations, this being the first peal on the new bells, which were opened on the previous Saturday.

## LECHLADE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 8 six-score of Old Doubles, 4 of Plain Bob, 8 of Canterbury, 10 of Grandsire and 12 of St. Dunstan's, each called differently. Tenor 19½ cwt.

GEORGE LAW ... Treble	GEORGE J. WINTER ... 4
BASIL GUY ... 2	GEORGE W. HASTINGS ... 5
JOHN HOPE ... 3	ERNEST TELLING ... Tenor

Conducted by J. HOPE.

Believed to be the first peal on the bells. E. Telling was made a member of the Association before starting the peal.

## HOUGH-ON-THE-HILL, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Single Court, and two 720's each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

HENRY BARNES ... Treble	HENRY SQUIRES ... 4
CHARLES BAINES ... 2	CALEB L. SIMCOCK ... 5
ARTHUR PALMER ... 3	GEORGE SCOTT ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE SCOTT.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Mr. John Haynes, who was interred at Hough-on-the-Hill, Friday, November 17th.

## BARKING, SUFFOLK.

## THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Nov. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

*PALMER WHITTELL ... Treble	KEITH W. WHITTELL ... 4
*ALFRED J. PETERS ... 2	EDWARD DAVEY ... 5
JOHN EUSTON ... 3	HARRY D. LISTER ... Tenor

Conducted by H. D. LISTER.

\* First peal. Ringers of the treble, 4th and tenor hail from Billesdon, 2nd from Barking, 3rd from Finborough and 5th from Wetherden. This is the first peal on the bells in which a local man has taken part.

## TREDINGTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE FOUR SHIRES GUILD.

On Sunday, Nov. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores with 10 different callings. Tenor 21 cwt. in D.

HORACE TERRY ... Treble	SYDNEY ARTHUR ... 4
WILLIAM ADAMS ... 2	WALTER LARGE ... 5
JOHN KEYTE ... 3	CECIL LOCKE ... Tenor

Conducted by WALTER LARGE.

First peal on the bells. The ringer of the treble hails from Ilmington, 2nd from Honington, 3rd from Charbury, 4th from Tredington, 5th and 6th from Streiton-on-Fosse.

## NEWINGTON-NEXT-SITTINGBOURNE.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Nov. 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one 720 of College Single and two each of Canterbury Pleasure. Single Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 14 lb.

*EDWIN A. GILBERT, JUN. ... Treble	THOMAS JULL ... 4
SIDNEY MILLARD ... 2	*FREDERICK W. WHITE ... 5
*EDWIN GILBERT, SEN. ... 3	CHARLEY MILLARD ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLEY MILLARD.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor. Edwin A. Gilbert, jun., was made a member of the Association before starting. First peal by a local band. Rung as a farewell to the ringer of the 2nd, who is leaving shortly for Australia. Great credit is due to the ringer of the treble for the way he rang throughout the peal.

## WORCESTER.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH & THE ALL SAINTS' YOUTHS.)

On Tuesday, Nov. 21, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

In fourteen methods, being 360 changes each of Worcester, Superlative, Beverley, York, Wells, London and Cambridge Surprise, Worcester, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

JAMES WOODYATT ... Treble	JOHN J. JEFFERIES ... 4
SIDNEY T. HOLT ... 2	WILLIAM PAGE ... 5
THOMAS WALTERS ... 3	WILLIAM LEWIS ... Tenor

Conducted by W. PAGE.

First peal in 14 Minor methods for this Association.

## WATH-ON-DEARNE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Nov. 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of York Minster, Sandal, Royston Delight, London Scholars, Kingston, College Pleasure and Oxford. Tenor 14 cwt.

ARTHUR PANTHER ... Treble	ARTHUR GILL ... 4
HERBERT CHAMBERLAIN ... 2	THOMAS HILTON ... 5
GEORGE HILL ... 3	CHAS. WALSH ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE HILL.

## HARBELL PEAL.

## HARWICH, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, 1922, in Four Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT KING'S HEAD STREET,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 10,368 CHANGES;

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.

Umpire: JACK SCARFE.

Performed as a birthday compliment to the composer.

Other peal reports are unavoidably held over.

**MR. W. R. SMALL'S BIRTHDAY.**

Mr. William Rock Small's 83rd birthday was fittingly celebrated on Saturday, Nov. 11, when, although two peal attempts failed a gathering of ringers assembled at the Britannia Inn, Tipton, and another at The Three Tuns, Wednesbury, to enjoy the hospitality of the veteran Black Country ringer. At the Wednesbury gathering Mr. James George presided, and extended the good wishes of the ringers to Mr. Small. They and all his friends hoped Mr. Small would continue in good health and spirits for many years to come. He thanked him for his kind hospitality and welcoming old friends. He had known Mr. Small between 30 and 40 years, and although he had been very active in his ringing in the past, he was unable now, on account of advancing years, to take such an active part, but he manifested as keen an interest as ever.

Mr. J. Jagger, Mr. B. Horton, on behalf of the younger generation of ringers, and Mr. T. H. Reeves added their congratulations, and referred to the sterling character of the veteran.

Mr. Small's health was enthusiastically drunk, and votes of thanks were accorded to the caterer and the chairman.

An enjoyable evening was spent. Full amends for the lost peal at Wednesday was made on Saturday week, when a peal of Stedman Caters was scored.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.****ANNUAL MEETING OF PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.**

Nothing could have been more appropriate than holding this meeting at Alverstoke on Armistice Day, for on Nov. 11th, 1919, these bells were dedicated and opened as the parish war memorial. The ringing until 3 p.m. was half-muffled, when the muffles were removed, and the bells rung until 5 o'clock, at which hour a short service was held in the church, the Rector (Canon G. Landon) officiating.

An excellent meal awaited the company at the Brodrick Hall, and afterwards the business meeting was held. Apologies for absence were received from the two representatives, Mr. H. J. Smith, and also Mr. F. W. Rogers (who was attending the College Youths' Dinner the same evening).—The Chairman (Mr. W. Tate) commented on the need for members attending meetings and supporting their officers.

The next item was the election of officers, which resulted as follows: Mr. W. Tate (chairman), Mr. E. J. Harding, senr. (district secretary), Messrs. H. J. Smith and F. W. Rogers (representatives on the Central Committee).—Eight members and one probationer were elected, and Wickham and Shedfield were chosen for the next quarterly meeting, the date being left to the discretion of the district secretary.

The usual votes of thanks were accorded the Rector, steeplekeeper and organist, the members also congratulating Canon Landon upon his recent appointment as Honorary Canon of Winchester Cathedral, and upon being chaplain to Gosport's first Mayor.

During the day, members, to the number of 35, were present from Alverstoke, Curdridge, Fareham, Gosport, Havant, Portsea, Titchfield, and also Mr. G. Williams (Master), the methods rung ranging from Grandsire Triples to Double Norwich.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****LEWISHAM DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.**

The annual meeting of the Lewisham District of the Kent Association was held at Woolwich. The bells were raised soon after 3 p.m., and touches in various methods were successfully accomplished. Nearly forty were present at the service, at which the Rev. A. N. Pickering (Rector) officiated, and gave an appropriate and enlightening address.

An adjournment was made to the Parish Hall, at the Rectory, where a bountiful tea, kindly provided by the Rector, was awaiting the ringers, and thoroughly enjoyed.

The business meeting followed, the Rector presiding.—The Rector then read an appeal on behalf of the widow of the late Mr. T. Wallis, of Edenbridge, and 23s. 6d. was collected.

The election of Mr. J. H. R. Freeborn, of Amersham, Bucks, and Mr. H. Wood, of Leyton, Essex, previous to peals, were confirmed. Greenwich was selected as the place of the next meeting, in January.

The District Secretary then read his annual report, which was adopted.

Mr. T. Groombridge, senr., was re-elected district secretary, and in returning thanks for their confidence, informed the members that it must be the last time, as he found it impossible to carry out the duties.—The Rector threw out a suggestion for an assistant, and Mr. H. Audsley, of Crayford, was unanimously elected to the post.—Messrs. J. J. Jeffries and I. Emery were re-elected district representatives, and in acknowledging the compliment, said they should be pleased to bring any suggestions members had to make before the general committee, which was meeting shortly.

A proposal to alter Rule 12 was lost by a considerable majority.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for the use of the bells, for his address, also for presiding, and also to him and Mrs. Pickering for their generosity in providing such a bountiful tea, which had been so thoroughly enjoyed.—The motion was carried, with applause, and the Rector thanked the members. He assured them it had given him and Mrs. Pickering very great pleasure.—This concluded the business, and the tower was again visited.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Bellfounders and**

**Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD**

**LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES. MUFFLES, &c.**

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, hon. librarian of the Central Council, writes that he has received from Mr. J. W. Jones, of Newport, the copies of the 'Bell News' for which he made request. This completes the Council's file of ringing journals from 1871 to the present date.

At the Guildford District meeting of the Winchester Guild, on Saturday, a collection for the Haslemere Bell Fund was made, and realised thirty shillings. Major Hesse wishes to thank the members for the donation which was the more welcome, as it was initiated by ringers unconnected with Haslemere.

Mr. William John Sevier, of Sncinton, Notts, and formerly of Gloucester, who was familiarly known as 'The Prophet,' will be 58 years of age to-morrow. His friends in many parts of the country will extend their hearty congratulations. Mr. Sevier has assisted in the past in the foundation of several ringing societies.

In connection with the peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Gateshead last Saturday, it is interesting to note that on November 18, 1794, a peal of the same composition was rung in this tower in 3 hours 15 minutes by the Union Society of Newcastle and Gateshead. This peal was rung by five Newcastle and three Gateshead ringers, whilst the recent peal was rung by four Newcastle and four Gateshead men.

In another column we refer to the bicentenary of one of the first peals of Grandsire Triples ever rung. Just 190 years ago to-day another in the same method was rung at St. Aiphege, Greenwich. Very few had been rung in between. Snowden records only four, one at Cambridge, two at Kettering and one at Dover.

The second one at Kettering (rung in 1731) was interesting, from the fact that it is thus recorded, 'Since it was asserted our first performance could not be rung in less than 3 hours and a half, for an experiment and before skilful judges, on ye 12th of April, 1731, ye whole peal of 5040 was completed at 30 changes each minute, in 2 hours and 48 minutes.' There were record breakers even in those days.

The first peal of Royal on handbells was rung at Sheffield on December 3rd, 1811. It was Oxford Treble Bob, and was rung by the men who, a few weeks before, had rung the first peal ever performed 'in hand.' The peals were rung at the house of Mr. William Booth, who took part in them, and who was the maternal grandfather of the late Mr. Charles Hattersley.

On December 4th, 1803, the first peal of Stedman Triples by the College Youths, was rung at St. Mary Abbots, Kensington.

Stedman Triples had, of course, been rung long before, and on December 6th, 1731, the company at St. Michael Coslany, Norwich, rang a composition by Edward Crane, who called the peal. 'This peal contains 5,040 Triple Changes, 2 Doubles only excepted, and is allowed by all judges of the art to be the most Ingenious Peal that till now has been composed.'

Next Tuesday evening the recast peal of ten at St. Nicholas', Brighton, are to be dedicated by the Bishop of Lewes. The old ring had a tenor of 15 cwt, 3 qr, 21 lb. in F; the new peal will have a tenor of 17½ cwt. in E. Messrs. Gillett and Johnston have carried out the work, and hung the new peal in an iron and steel frame.

Several of the old bells were from Rudhall's foundry, having been cast at Gloucester in 1777. The ninth was recast in 1812, and the 5th in 1891. The trebles were added in 1888, and converted the peal into the first ring of ten in Sussex.

In connection with the recasting, it is intended to revive the ancient custom of giving a name to each bell. Each will also have a short motto (in addition to having the old mottoes reproduced), so that every bell will ring out its call to praise and prayer.

The foundation of the church goes back into the mists of antiquity, and there have been rectors or vicars of St. Nicholas from Saxon times. The ancient tower of the old Parish Church of Brightelmston was for centuries, until obscured by the growth of modern Brighton, a landmark for sailors navigating the Channel.

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL DINNER.

The Worcestershire Association makes a point of an 'annual' peal. Many other peals are rung during the year, and the various branches organise official 'quarterly' peals, but there is one authorised each year by the association in annual meeting assembled.

The peal this year was arranged at Badsey, and was rung on Saturday, as recorded elsewhere. It was intended, originally, to ring Oxford Treble Bob, but owing to the band being unable to meet for practice, Plain Bob had to be substituted.

To mark the event, a tea and 'social' had been arranged by the local company. The Vicar (the Rev. W. C. Allsobrook, R.D.) and Messrs. J. Sladden and J. J. Pethard (churchwardens) were present, and congratulated the band upon the musical qualities and striking of the peal.

## TWO HUNDRED YEARS AGO. BICENTENARY OF A STROUD PEAL.

Exactly two hundred years ago next Monday, viz., on December 4th, 1722, one of the very earliest recorded peals was rung. This was at Stroud, Gloucestershire, and, so far as reliable history is concerned, was probably only the second peal of Grandsire ever rung. The first was at Norwich in the year 1718.

The Stroud peal is recorded, on a tablet in the belfry, as follows: 'December 4th, 1722, in this place was rung the whole peal of Grandsire Triples, containing 5,040 changes, performed in 3 hours 17 minutes, by these whose names are underwritten: Richard Soyd 1, Samuel Essington 2, Thomas Little 3, John Sander 4, Thomas Jogler 5, Thomas Marsh 6, John Gardner 7, James Chene and Richard Bridges 8.'

What the composition was, there is nothing to-day to tell us. The authors of 'The Clavis' and Shipway suggest that all peals prior to Holt's were false, but many peals were rung before John Holt came on the scene, and, in the absence of figures, it is impossible to condemn all these early peals. Indeed, the first peal rung at Norwich, composed by Garthorn, was demonstrated fairly conclusively by the late Mr. Jasper Snowdon to have been true, and, until the contrary is proved, we are entitled to accept these other peals as true also.

The bicentenary which occurs next Monday is an event that deserves to be fittingly commemorated.

## CONFUSION OF NAMES. A CHALLENGE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I see that Mr. S. H. Synmonds complains in your issue of Nov. 24th that the adoption of the title 'St. Edmundsbury' by the Norwich Association has led to a mistake in reporting the Lavenham peal rung on October 19th, and that it is likely to cause further trouble in the same direction. His complaint receives striking confirmation in the same issue, as in reporting the peal of Grandsire Triples at Lavenham on page 741, your compositor has again fallen a victim to the similarity of titles!

I have the greatest respect for the Norwich Association, and can quite understand their old East Suffolk members wishing to remain allied to a body which has such a splendid ringing record. In West Suffolk, however, the case is altogether different, and I for one cannot see that the Norwich Association has any right there 'de facto' or 'de jure.'

Surely the time has come to challenge the Norwich Society to make good its claim to 'St. Edmundsbury' by holding a meeting at Bury St. Edmunds under its present title. If it can do this with the consent of the Ecclesiastical authorities there, and the use of the towers of the Cathedral and St. Mary's, the local Diocesan Association may as well throw up the sponge; but if not, and I think 'not' is the more likely alternative, it is to be hoped that our Norwich friends will see the necessity of receding from an impossible position, persistence in which would ultimately forfeit the respect of many of its well-wishers.—Yours, etc.,

Long Stanton.

H. B. WOOLLEY.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

### PRESENTATION TO YORKTOWN DISTRICT SECRETARY.

On Saturday last the annual meeting of the Yorktown District of the Winchester Guild was held at Chertsey. Previous to ringing, the Ringing Master placed a laurel wreath on the war memorial on behalf of the Yorktown district. The following towers were represented: Bagshot, Camberley, Egham, Farnborough, Hersham, Otlands Park, Walton-on-Thames, West Ham, and the local band.

The Guild's form of service was conducted in church, and the Rev. W. E. Colchester (of Winchester), hon. treasurer of the Guild, gave a helpful address. Tea was afterwards served at the Church Room by Mrs. H. R. Stevens and wives of the local ringers.

At the business meeting the Rev. J. Smith (Vicar) presided. A presentation was made by the Vicar to Mr. G. Miles, the hon. secretary, who, much to the regret of the members of the district, has been compelled to retire after 17 years' service, as he was leaving for Brentwood, Essex.—The Vicar (Rev. J. Smith) and Mr. W. Shepherd both spoke in eulogy of the work of Mr. Miles, who suitably thanked the members.

The following officers were elected for the year 1923: Hon. secretary, Mr. J. B. Hossy; Ringing Master, Mr. H. J. Chaffey; representatives, Mr. W. A. Woodrow, Mr. H. J. Chaffey; auditor, Mr. H. R. Stevens.—Four new members were elected.

The following places were chosen for quarterly meetings: Egham, Hawley and Otlands Park, the annual meeting to be at Yorktown.

Mr. W. Shepherd and Mr. E. Nye spoke on the division of the Guild, arising out of the division of the diocese, and the matter, which was to be discussed among the members, is to be brought forward again at the next meeting.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells and for presiding, to the Rev. H. A. West, organist, and to the Rev. W. E. Colchester for his address at the Guild's service.

## MIDDLESEX SURPRISE ROYAL. THE FIRST PEAL OF 'WAIT AND SEE.'

The first peal of Middlesex Surprise Royal has been rung by the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild. This method is the discovery of the Rev. E. Bankes James, who published the figures in 'The Ringing World' on February 17th last, under the heading of 'Wait and See.' It is a very musical method, and, having a clean proof scale, peals without the little bells long in sixth's place are fairly easy to obtain, although a peal with the sixth at home for 12 courses appears to be an impossibility in a 5,040 without parting the tenors. The composition called at St. Magnus-the-Martyr on November 20th, contains eleven courses with the 6th at home, and the figures are appended.

For intricacy this method ranks amongst the foremost, and is calculated to keep the safest ringer on the alert. It was rung at the first meeting for the peal after an abortive start.

The band desire to associate Messrs. A. Mason and W. Miller with the method, and regret that the former was prevented by illness from being in the peal. They wish him a speedy and complete recovery. Mr. Miller acted as reserve on several occasions during the period of practice. The band also wish to acknowledge their indebtedness to the St. Mary's, Walthamstow, Society, for the several opportunities afforded them of practising the method.

### 5,040 MIDDLESEX SURPRISE ROYAL.

By REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

23456	0 5th's I
35284	— —
26354	— —
43652	— —
35426	— —
52436	— —
43526	— —
32549	— —
54326	— —
42356	— —
25346	— —
53246	— —
24536	— —
45236	— —
23456	— —

## STEBBING RINGER'S LONG SERVICE.

### A NOTEWORTHY RECORD.

The company at St. Mary's Church, Stebbing, Essex, have a remarkable record of long service and unity as ringers. Mr. E. Hynds, the senior member, has been a ringer at St. Mary's for about 50 years. Messrs. E. Claydon, A. Barker and J. T. Barker have 45 years each to their credit, Mr. H. P. Emery 35 years, and Mr. H. C. Young 23 years.

Four of these ringers, namely, Messrs. E. Hynds, E. Claydon, A. Barker and J. T. Barker (with Mr. H. Gowers, who was then a member of the company) rang a peal of Doubles (5,040 changes) on Stebbing bells on Queen Victoria's Jubilee, on June 21st, 1887. It was rung in 16 methods, and was started at 6 a.m., the conductor being E. Claydon. In commemorating the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria, 1897, five members of this company, namely, Messrs. A. Barker, H. P. Emery, J. T. Barker, E. Hynds and E. Claydon, rang a touch of Doubles of 3,130 changes, in nine methods, 3,130 being the number of weeks contained in Her Majesty Queen Victoria's long reign of sixty years. This was rung on June 26th, 1897, and conducted by J. T. Barker.

The Stebbing bells were augmented to six in 1902, and since that time many of the standard methods have been rung, including Cambridge and London Surprise. These six men have been ringing regularly for Sunday service and practice up to last September, when Mr. Hynds retired through failing health. All are long-standing members of the Essex Association Change Ringers. During their service there have been five different Vicars of Stebbing.

## THE GIFFORD MEMORIAL.

### MARBLE TABLET TO BE ERECTED.

A meeting of subscribers from various places was held in St. Martin's vestry, Salisbury, on Saturday, Nov. 18th, the Rev. I. G. Cameron (Rector) presiding.

It was unanimously decided to erect a marble tablet in the east wall of the belfry tower in memory of the late Mr. W. W. Gifford, and a drawing of the tablet was submitted and approved.

Mr. L. Harris, hon. secretary, produced the accounts, and it was found that about £1 more would be required to cover all expenses.

Great regret was expressed that the assistant secretary, Mr. F. W. Romaine, was unavoidably absent on account of having met with an accident whilst cycling to St. Martin's Church for ringing on the previous Sunday morning. He came into collision with a motor-car, and sustained a compound fracture of his right leg. His ringing-friends will wish him a speedy recovery.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.****RINGING IN THE FYLDE: HELP FROM PRESTON BRANCH**

The monthly meeting of the Fylde Branch was held at St. John's and St. Peter's R.C., both six-bell towers, on Saturday, Nov. 18th. There were quite a good muster of local ringers along with the 'faithful few' from Blackpool. Several members paid a visit to the Ringing Master, Mr. J. Tipping, who a few days previously had been brought home from hospital where he had had a foot amputated, upon the advice of the medical attendant, on account of a diseased bone. They found him very cheerful and looking forward to the time when he will be able to take his place again in the parish church belfry.

Ringing began at St. John's, where there is a light ring of six in poor going order. The belfry is very small and rather noisy. After a few short touches, the ringers went to St. Peter's, where there is another light ring of six in excellent going order. Four of the ropes are on one side of the tower, and two on the opposite side. The ringing chamber is on the ground floor, and probably the arrangement of the ropes was to allow of a clear passage for the clergy to and from the church and presbytery. It makes ringing somewhat difficult, especially to the stranger who rings the second or third. It speaks well for the enthusiasm of the ringers in the past, that they have been able to ring 'broken-lead' Treble Bob methods as well as most plain methods.

At the meeting, the Secretary reported having had a communication from Mr. Taylor, secretary of the Preston Branch, relating to the state of apathy shown in ringing matters throughout the Fylde. Mr. Taylor, who was present, said the Preston Branch were prepared to do all they could to help, and suggested having a combined meeting of the two branches at Kirkham, in January, providing it met with the approval of the Fylde members.

The members agreed to hold a combined meeting at the end of January, the secretary being requested to make arrangements for tea to those who sent in their names.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Taylor for attending, also to the clergy for the use of the bells, brought a good meeting to a close. A little more ringing was indulged in at St. John's, after which the members dispersed.

**SURPRISE RINGING PROGRESS.****SOME FIRST EXTENTS.**

Practice in some of the higher methods is gradually extending, and the following are among recent noteworthy performances.

At Allesley, Warwickshire, on Nov. 1st, the first 720 London Surprise Minor by all the band and on the bells: C. Aylett 1, F. Pervin 2, H. Summers 3, J. Taylor 4, F. Pervin 5, J. H. White (conductor) 6.

At Aldrington, Sussex, on October 17th, 720 Canterbury Surprise Minor, the first in the method by all the band, and the first on the bells, was rung by R. S. Cherryman 1, W. White 2, F. Trustier 3, A. Cherryman 4, A. White (conductor) 5, G. Steele 6.—On Nov. 14th, the first 720 York Surprise Minor by all the band, and on the bells: R. S. Cherryman 1, R. Stradwick 2, F. Trustier 3, A. Cherryman 4, G. Steele (conductor) 5, A. White 6.

On Nov. 9th, at Market Deeping, 720 Primrose Surprise was rung by H. M. Day (conductor) 1, J. J. Juntun 2, W. Tilley 3, A. Riggall 4, J. Landon 5, W. A. Day 6. This was the first 720 in the method by all the band. A peal in nine methods was attempted, but came to grief in the Cambridge Surprise, through a change course.

The first quarter-peal of London Surprise Major in the County of Notts was rung at Beeston on November 20th, and in addition, was the first in the method by all: W. Clifford, junr., 1, A. Coppock (conductor) 2, W. Clifford, senr., 3, A. B. Moss 4, J. C. Dicken 5, W. A. James 6, F. Blood 7, F. S. Price 8.

At Norbury, Cheshire, on Nov. 16th, for practice, a spliced 720 in five methods, namely: Abbeyville, Croyland, Cambermere, Vale Royal and St. Werburgh, was rung by J. Fernley, junr., 1, J. P. Fidler 2, W. Fernley 3, W. W. Wolstencroft 4, J. Fernley, senr. (conductor), 5, J. W. Hartley 6, and a spliced 720 Oxford and Kent (without 'bobs') composed by H. W. Wilde: J. Fernley, junr., 1, J. W. Hartley 2, W. Fernley 3, W. W. Wolstencroft 4, J. Fernley, senr. (conductor), 5, J. P. Fidler 6. These were the first spliced extents in the methods for the ringing of the 4th.

The first six-score of Bob Doubles by a band of beginners is a notable event in any belfry. At Bedwas, Mon., where there are three bells dated 1744, and three dated 1769, the local company have rung their first 120 on tower bells: A. G. Martin 1, A. Martin 2, A. E. Slatter (conductor) 3, G. H. Martin 4, A. J. Hurford 5, R. Ridout 6. Afterwards, on the same evening, they rang 360 in the same method.

**OF TO AUSTRALIA.**

At Denton, Lancashire, a 720 Kent Treble Bob was rung on Sunday evening, October 15th, for service by H. Bardsley 1, C. Clayton 2, D. Wilde 3, W. Wilde 4, H. Ellis 5, J. Heckingbottom 6, previous to the departure of Mr. David Wilde, who left for Australia on Saturday, October 28th. On Sunday, Oct. 22nd, the ringers presented Mr. D. Wilde with a fountain pen as a token of their appreciation of his services during the long period of his association with the band.

**NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION****PROPOSED 'TAX' ON PEALS.**

A district meeting was held at Wymondham on Saturday last, about 20 members being present from Wymondham, Norwich, Great Yarmouth, Fakenham, North Walsham and Hethersett. The bells of St. Mary's were available from 2 p.m., and they were kept going to Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Oxford, Kent and Double Norwich.

A business meeting was afterwards held in the School Room, at which the Rev. S. Martin Jones kindly presided. At this meeting the proposed taxing of peals was discussed, and the members present were unanimous that by the payment of 1s. for each peal rung, the enthusiastic ringers were being penalised for endeavouring to keep the art alive. Several suggestions were made, and it was decided that these be forwarded to the general secretary to be brought up at the next quarterly meeting.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, also for so kindly presiding at the meeting.

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.****THE WAR MEMORIAL.**

The design of the ringers' memorial is now complete, and will shortly be engraved upon the brass.

The Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. Ferry, 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth, Newcastle, will be much obliged if members will kindly scrutinise the 'Roll of Honour' which will be found below, and should any error or omission be found, kindly let him know as soon as possible.

Allendale.—Pte. Geo. H. Johnston, 19th N.F.; Pte. Archie Hetherington, 19th N.F.

Bamburgh.—Pte. W. J. Clark, Coldstream Guards; Spr. Albert Hall, Royal Engineers; Pte. Philip Hall, A.I.E.F.; Captain the Rev. A. T. Laing, 13th N.F.; Pte. T. H. Wake, 7th N.F.; Pte. W. H. Wake, 7th N.F.

Benwell.—Pte. Herbert Guthrie, R.M.L.I.

Bishop Auckland.—Drumr. John Peverell, 10th Yorks; Lee-Cpl. Fred Peverall, 9th Yorks.

Bishopwearmouth.—Chief Engineer Thos. Richardson, s.s. 'Myrtle Branch'.

Consett.—Lieut. A. G. Shorter, D.L.I.; Lieut. Frank Eales, Rifle Brigade.

Cramlington.—Pte. John Riseborough, 10th N.F.; Darlington, S. Cuthbert's.—Corpl. Alix Olaf Liddle, 13th D.L.I.; Pte. Jack Stewart, 4th Yorks; Pte. Joseph Ainsley, 7th K.O. Shrop. L.I.

Durham, S. Oswald's.—Coy. S.M. W. Forrest, 18th D.L.I.

Gosforth, All Saints'.—Lieut. Robert W. Falconer, 16th N.F.

Hexham, The Abbey.—Pte. William Summers, Scottish R.I.F.

Jesmond, S. George's.—Corpl. Reginald Eaton, 4th Yorks; Pte. Albert Errington, 4th Battrn, Cheshire Regt.; Sgt. Ernest R. Mundle, 1st Canadians.

Jarrow, S. Peter's.—2nd Lieut. Frank E. Scott, R.G.A.

Lanchester, S. Mary's.—Pte. Thomas H. Smith, 1st London Scottish.

Morpeth, The Watch Tower.—Sergt. S. A. Wright, 2nd Scots Guards; Pte. John Brown, 78th Canadians, I.N.E.

North Shields, Christ Church.—2nd Lieut. Robert Hogg, N.F.; Pte. John Hogg, Middlesex Regt.; Pte. George R. Potter, 6th Lancs, F.U.S.

Rothbury, All Saints'.—Major Thomas Murray, Cheshire Regt.

Shildon, S. John's.—Bomb. George William Tyreman, R.G.A.

Sunderland, Holy Trinity.—Lieut. Cyril O. Sayer, 7th D.L.I.; Rifln.

Wm. McLachlan, 16th Battrn. K.R.R.

West Hartlepool, S. Aidan's.—Lee-Corpl. William Gilmore, R.E.

West Hartlepool, All Saints'.—Bomb. J. W. Jopling, 255th Siege Battrn, R.G.A.; Carpr. F. Macarthy, H.M. Aux. ship Tolair; Pte. W. B. Webster, 9th Cheshire Regt.

Wylam-on-Tyne.—Pte. J. F. Appleby, N.F.; Sapper W. Wrightson.

**NOTICE.****TO THE CLERGY, RINGERS, AND ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.**

In consequence of the closing down of the Firm, with whom I have been employed as Church Bell and Musical Handbell tuner for upwards of 40 years, in succession to my father (Mr. H. W. Haley), I have decided to carry on the handbell business, and, therefore, respectfully beg to solicit your patronage.

I shall be pleased to execute any orders, however small, at reasonable charges, and guarantee satisfaction.

Prices for new bells, repairs, etc., will be furnished on application.

**WILLIAM HALEY,**

Author of the 'Bell Hymn Book,' Twelve Popular Airs, etc., etc.,  
50, CLARENDON ROAD, HOE STREET,  
WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**PORTSMOUTH.**—On Sunday, Nov. 26th, for Divine service, at St. Mary, Portsea, 1,120 Double Norwich Court Bob Major, in 42 mins.: J. J. Symons 1, J. D. Harris 2, E. J. Harding, junr., 3, T. R. Taylor 4, W. Tate 5, R. J. Stone 6, F. W. Rogers 7, E. J. Harding, senr. (conductor), 8. Longest length in the method by local band.

**LINCOLN.**—On Sunday, October 22nd, for evensong, at St. Peter-at-Arches Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 48 mins.: F. Cousans (first quarter in the method) 1, C. McGuinness 2, L. Snell (conductor) 3, Rev. R. Bond 4, H. Marcon 5, G. Almonds 6, L. Pask 7, A. Marcon 8.

**BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER, GLOS.**—On Sunday evening, October 22nd, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: J. Collett 1, W. H. Hoad (Salehurst, Sussex), 2, T. Banning 3, E. Parden Stow 4, H. Packer 5, H. Gillitt 6, W. Large (Stretton-on-Fosse), conductor, 7, J. Buttler 8. Also after service, a touch of Bob Major.

**DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, October 22nd, on the occasion of the harvest festival, for morning service, 448 Cambridge: E. Grindell 1, S. Rowe 2, P. Woods 3, W. C. Rumsey 4, T. H. Chappell 5, L. C. Wightman 6, G. S. Rowe 7, E. E. Grimes 8.—For evening service, 352 Double Norwich: S. Rowe 1, E. Grindell 2, P. Woods 3, W. Ruffles 4, W. C. Rumsey 5, F. Ruffles 6, T. H. Chappell 7, E. E. Grimes (conductor) 8.—Also 448 Cambridge: E. Grindell 1, S. Rowe 2, L. C. Wightman 3, P. Woods 4, W. C. Rumsey 5, W. Ruffles 6, T. H. Chappell 7, E. E. Grimes 8; and 464 Double Norwich: P. Woods 1, E. Grindell 2, F. Ruffles 3, E. E. Grimes 4, S. Rowe 5, W. C. Rumsey 6, W. Ruffles 7, T. H. Chappell 8. Conducted by W. C. Rumsey.

**HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.**—At the Church of St. John the Baptist, on Sunday, October 29th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, in 52 mins.: F. Goddard 1, G. Spencer 2, J. J. Pratt (conductor) 3, J. Milner 4, A. Harding 5, \*C. Tricker 6, E. Hancox 7, \*A. Beckensale 8, H. Chandler 9, W. Honor 10. \* First quarter of Grandsire Caters.

**BRISTOL.**—On Sunday, October 29th, at the Church of St. Stephen's, for Matins, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: Mrs. E. Wilkins 1, Miss Annie Brown 2, K. Clark (conductor) 3, C. H. Jennings 4, E. J. Ridler 5, E. J. Brown 6, J. Gould 7, W. A. Cave 8. Arranged for C. H. Jennings (Weymouth), and was his first quarter-peal in the method.

**WEST HAM.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday morning, Oct. 29th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,277 changes), composed by R. F. Deal: P. H. Avey 1, W. Theobald 2, W. Miller 3, A. Prior (conductor) 4, A. Scambler 5, J. Scholes 6, F. Newman 7, A. J. Baynes 8, E. D. Smith 9, G. Dawson 10.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday, October 29th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), from Holt's Original, in 42 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr., 1, J. E. Churchill 2, A. M. Stacey 3, A. H. Fulwell 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, E. J. Hunnisett 6, L. H. Page (conductor) 7, F. W. Goodfellow 8. The tenor man has now rung a 'Sunday Service' quarter-peal on every bell in the tower.

**OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.**—On Sunday, October 29th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: F. Middleton 1, W. E. Butler 2, F. Tindall 3, R. Franklin 4, A. Cross 5, E. Gosling (conductor) 6, W. Welling 7, F. Guttridge 8. First quarter-peal as conductor.

**LONG EATON.**—On Sunday, October 29th, for evening service, at St. Laurence Church, Long Eaton, in 42 minutes, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): Miss Lillian Geeson (first quarter-peal) 1, A. R. Hickton 2, J. Bailey 3, H. E. Green 4, T. Hutchinson 5, C. Geary 6, W. R. Drage (conductor) 7, J. Andrews 8.

**WATFORD, HERTS.**—On Sunday, October 29th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), from Carter's odd and even peal, in 52 mins.: W. E. Oakley 1, S. Hoare 2, R. Picton 3, G. Scaman 4, W. Norris 5, F. Edwards 6, C. H. Horton (conductor) 7, W. Hewitt 8.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Stephen's, West Ealing, on Sunday, October 29th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 39 mins.: C. Edwards 1, E. J. Walsom 2, A. R. Macdonald 3, P. E. Clark 4, H. Folkard 5, E. Harris 6, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 7, F. S. Palmer 8.

## NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL GUILD.

To celebrate the election of the Lord Mayor, Alderman William Bramble, D.L., J.P., of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, a touch of Stedman Cinques, consisting of 631 changes was rung at the Cathedral on Nov. 9th. Alderman Bramble was the last chairman of the Benwell and Fenham Urban District Council before its incorporation with the city and county of Newcastle-upon-Tyne in November, 1904. In business in a large way at Benwell the new Lord Mayor is a native of Beamish, Co. Durham. He was Sheriff of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 1915, is Deputy Lieutenant for the county of Northumberland, J.P. for Newcastle, vice-chairman of the Northern Counties Permanent Building Society, and a great authority on the history of Benwell, a spot where one of the old Roman stations was situated.

## REMEMBRANCE DAY RINGING.

**STOWMARKET, SUFFOLK.**—Several touches of Grandsire Triples were rung with the bells half-muffled. Also 1,008 Bob Major with bells open: W. Welham 1, H. Copeland 2, T. Sparrow 3, S. Sparrow 4, T. Allard 5, E. Easton 6, A. Grimwood 7, W. Souter (conductor) 8. Also a touch of Double Norwich, with 11. Lister, K. Whittle, who belong to Bildeston, this being their first in the method. These two ringers only get eight bell practice by attending a meeting, as they are seven miles from an eight bell tower.

**GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTS.**—With the bells half-muffled, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: F. Adams 1, F. Webb 2, A. W. Lindsey 3, G. Cherry 4, R. E. Croft 5, F. W. Croft (conductor) 6.

**DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.**—At the Parish Church, 336 Double Norwich Major: J. C. G. Haggard 1, S. Hammond 2, P. Woods 3, W. C. Rumsey 4, S. Rowe 5, T. H. Chappell 6, E. E. Grimes 7, G. S. Rowe 8. Also 576 Cambridge Surprise: G. S. Rowe 1, L. C. Wightman 2, P. Woods 3, S. Rowe 4, T. H. Chappell 5, J. C. G. Haggard 6, E. E. Grimes 7, W. C. Rumsey (conductor) 8.

**LINSLADE, BUCKS.**—At St. Barnabas' Church, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): G. White 1, J. Sear 2, W. J. Jeffs 3, F. Reeve 4, A. Vickers 5, F. Dedman 6, F. Vickers (conductor) 7, F. Buttrum 8.

**RINGWOOD, HANTS.**—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, a short touch of Grandsire Triples, with the bells half-muffled, followed by 1,470 Grandsire Triples, with the bells open: W. Johnson 1, E. Hendley 2, E. Green 3, H. Goodenough 4, E. Whitfield 5, E. Collins 6, W. Cheater (conductor) 7, E. Bradford 8. Longest touch by ringers of the 1, 3, 5, 6 and 8. Also longest touch as conductor.

## A NOTTS AUGMENTATION.

## BINGHAM CHURCH BELLS DEDICATED.

All Saints' Day, 1922, is a day which will be remembered long by the inhabitants of Bingham, Notts, when the bells of the ancient Parish Church of All Saints' were reopened, and the two new trebles dedicated by the Archdeacon of Nottingham (Ven. the Rev. W. J. Conybeare). The bells, originally a peal of six, very much out of tune, and very heavy going, have been rehung with entirely new fittings by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of London; they have also been tuned, and two have been recast, so that with the addition of the new trebles they now make a very melodious and sweet-toned ring of eight.

The church was filled to overflowing with parishioners and friends for the ceremony. Most of the clergy from the neighbouring parishes were present, and walked in the procession with the choir, the actual dedication taking place at the end of the second lesson. The Archdeacon, himself a practical change ringer, gave a most eloquent address on the subject of sympathy, and explained to his hearers how wonderfully the message of sympathy in its various aspects was conveyed to all around by the voices of the bells.

After the dedication the bells were rung in rounds for three minutes while the procession of clergy and choristers returned to the chancel, the sound within the building being very pleasant, and the tone of the bells much admired.

At the close of the service the bells were rung in changes for an hour by a band gathered from neighbouring towers by the Rev. G. J. Sturton (Vicar of Orston). Touches of Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major were brought round, those taking part being Messrs. Walter and W. E. White (Colgrave), A. Mackears (Long Bennington), A. W. Ward and J. W. Kirtan (Bottesford), S. Proctor (Grantham), F. Spencer (Radcliffe), Rev. G. J. Sturton and H. Clouston (Orston), together with Mr. Albert Hughes, of the Whitechapel Foundry.

When the bells had been lowered in peal, all adjourned for supper to the Chesterfield Arms, where a sumptuous repast had been kindly provided by the Rector (the Rev. H. R. M. Hutt) and the Church Council. After the removal of the cloth a convivial time was spent with toasts, songs and handbell music, about 100 guests being present.

The old peal of six were a mixed lot, and tradition asserts that the second, which was undated, was placed in the tower to commemorate the victory over the Spanish Armada. The founder, Francis Wates, died in 1600. Of the rest, the tenor, inscribed 'All ye that hear my mournful sound, repent before ye lie in ground,' was cast by George Oldfield. The former 4th was cast in 1662, the founder's initials P. H., appearing on the bell with the inscription. 'God save the Church.' Thomas Hedderley cast the fifth and third in 1743 and 1774 respectively, and the former treble, which bears no name of founder, was dated 1730.

The two new bells, in addition to the founders name and date, are inscribed:—

Treble (5 cwt.): The children of Bingham gave me. 'Suffer little children to come unto ME.'

2nd (5½ cwt.): H. R. M. H. gave me. 'Ring out the false. Ring in the true.'

The tenor is 15½ cwt. in E flat.

## DIPLOMAS OF MERIT.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Your correspondent should not jump to conclusions. He is wrong in assuming that I condemn all Minor peals. I do not, having rung many myself. The first in seven methods by the M.C.A. was called by me in 1894, and once I walked 34 miles to get a band through a 720. (It is true that Mrs. W. W. thought I was at business, but this is strictly confidential, and must go no further.)

I may mention that I have both in the Press and on the platform, extolled the multiple method ringer, and frequently expressed my opinion that a band struggling through their first peal of Grandsire are worthy of more encouragement than a Surprise company who ring the same peal week after week. It was not of these I was thinking. Let that be clearly understood. The Grandsire Doubles and Bob Minor merchant is my bete noir. He is not chained by the leg to his six-bell tower, nor condemned to one method.

The remainder of this letter is dedicated (without permission) to that champion leg-puller, the Peppery professor, otherwise 'Once a Beginner.' His pungency is delightful, and though I fancy I see his portentous wink, I will have at him. Surely the condiment has disorganised his digestion of facts. To-day, anybody can possess a certificate of membership. It means nothing but membership, and the novice who can just manage to steer the treble through a six-score of Doubles—or even ring rounds—is put upon the same plane as he who has reached it may be by years of work—the top of the ladder. I put it to any sensible person: Is it just?

'Once a Beginner' asks: 'Who will pay for a diploma?' Well, who pays now for the certificate? There would necessarily be a fee to cover its intrinsic value, and any ringer would be glad to pay it. Further, if it is not necessary in change ringing, why is it so in music? To say that the report of an association is diploma enough is hyperbole. Is a newspaper cutting of a concert diploma enough for an artist? It is true that an organist without a degree may render a Fugue or a Sonata equal to a Mus.Doc., but the man who can write L.R.A.M. or F.R.C.O. bears the hall mark. The sole object of the diploma idea is to raise the status of change ringing and give the ringer at the bottom an ideal to aspire to. While it is true that higher methods are more popular than formerly, it must not be forgotten that peals are far more numerous than hitherto, and quantity is the main objective. As a newspaper Editor once said to me, 'You bell ringers think of nothing but self-advertisement. A cornet player does not send me word every time he plays a tune.' Any hon. secretary will agree that a very large percentage of members only retain their membership for the report of peals to see the score.

'Once a Beginner' pounces upon my statement that 200 peals of Doubles and Minor are not worth a solitary peal of London. I can see him rubbing his hands with glee and saying to Mistress Pepys (junior): 'I have got him down now.' Well, he hasn't. I shall get out easily. Although 100 peals of Doubles, in points, may outnumber one peal of London, I would like to see the ringer who would consider himself the superior of the 'London' ringer. I also rang London more than twenty years ago, and I reckoned it washed out a lot of Minor rubbish (steady there with the brickbats!).

Does Master Peppery think a vain repetition of the same thing adds to its glory? I don't. What would we think of a singer who wanted to sing the same song several times at the same concert? It amounts to the same thing. In the last report of the M.C.A. (1921-1920) there were 18 of Grandsire Doubles. Of 59 peals of Doubles and Minor there was only ONE in seven methods. I venture to think that even Pepys (junr.) would prefer to ring a peal of London or Arundel Surprise than 100 of the other sort. So, assuredly will the ringers who take part in them some day if they ever arrive at the top. If they are satisfied with the old routine they will never arrive.

This is the gist of the diploma idea. Place the Surprise methods in the 'first-class' category. It follows that the Editor would then also classify them in the peal columns, and those who were not there would strive might and main to get there.

Now I ask 'Once a Beginner,' would such inducement be a good or a bad thing? No flowers by request.

W. WILLSON.

## RINGERS' BADGES.

Sir,—After reading the correspondence on this subject I am still unconvinced of the value of diplomas for peals, when seven good men and true can easily get a passenger through; I've been one myself. At the same time, to my mind, Tom Brown, who has rung Stedman Doubles with Bunkum-on-the-Ditch band, has done as much as John Jones, who rang Stedman Cinques with St. Martin's, Birmingham.

No, sir, the only diploma any good is 'First in the method by all the band.' This does denote progress. How many can the 'cracks' wear? Truly does the poet say: 'Some men are born great, some acquire greatness; others thrust it on themselves.' These are not concrete ideas; nor yet 'Derby Brights.' To the best of ringers, the best is sufficient reward.—Yours, etc., T. H. VALLANCE.

## NOTICES.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Norton-sub-Hamdon on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.—F. Farrant, Branch Sec., Martock, Somerset.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ludlow District.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Tenbury on Saturday, Dec. 2nd, 1922. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow.—P. Lane, Dist. Hon. Sec., 19, Castle View, Ludlow, Salop.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Hemel Hempstead, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells available 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow in St. Mary's Hall.—F. J. Reeve, Hon. Dist. Sec., Tring.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 2nd, at St. Leonard's Church, Bilston. Tower open 3 p.m. (8 bells). Guild service in Church 5 p.m., with an address by the Vicar (Rev. G. E. Ford). Tea and meeting to follow. Subscription, 6d. per member, for 1922 now due.—F. Coldclough, Hon. Sec., 1, Earl Street, Bilston.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch. The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30. Trusting for a good attendance.—John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch. The next meeting will be held at the Town Hall, Manchester, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells ready 3.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Stoke on Saturday, Dec. 2nd.—A. Vaughan, Hon. Sec., 26, Clarence Street, Newcastle, Staffs.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Portishead, on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 at the White Cot Dairy, with business meeting to follow.—Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The next quarterly ringing meeting will take place at Kirkby-in-Furness on Saturday, Dec. 2. Bells (6) available from 2.30.—W. T. Clark, Hon. Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERRYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Staveley on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock in the Rectory Barn, 1/6 each.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—The next meeting of the Western Division will be held at Armley, on Saturday, December 2nd. By kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. Thomas Goodchild), the new peal of 8 bells will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. Tea will be served in the Parochial Hall at 5 p.m. For further particulars, please see circulars.—F. Hopwood, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke, Hon. District Secretary.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Oxford City and District Branch.—A meeting of the above will take place on Saturday, Dec. 2nd, at Oxford. Service in St. Aldate's Church at 4 p.m. Tea, followed by business meeting, in Rectory Room, 4.45 p.m. Tea, 1s. Please notify W. Harris, Branch Sec., 28, New Street, St. Ebbe's, Oxford.

**OXFORD GUILD.**—Sonning Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Wokingham on Saturday, Dec. 2nd, from 6 till 9 p.m.—Jos. White, Hon. Sec.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wimborne Branch.—The annual meeting is to be held at Wimborne Minster on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Ringing from 2.30. Service 4.30. Address by Vicar, Rev. A. L. Keith. Tea at 5 in the Church House. The towers at Corfe Mullens, Canford and Sturminster Marshall will be open for ringing.—C. A. Phillips, Hon. Br. Sec.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bradford-on-Avon to-morrow, Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Bells (8) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.40. Tea at 5. Short business meeting 5.30.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—The subscription of 1/8, which enables members who have not attended 20 times in the past year, to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on Dec. 5th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 7th and 21st; \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 12th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 14th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 26th; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL COMPANY.**—With a view to encouraging the art of ringing on the higher number of bells, an open practice will be held every Thursday from 7.30 to 9 p.m., commencing on Thursday, Dec. 7th. All ringers welcomed. Will ringers kindly note that future applications for the loan of books from the late Charles Henry Hattersley Library should be made to the Company Librarian, Mr. William Chown, 68, Canada Street, Pitsmoor, Sheffield; but applications for the use of the bells and all other business matters must be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Sidney F. Palmer, 87, Bradley Street, Crookes, Sheffield.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 9th, at the Parish Church, Rotherham. Bells (10) ready at 3. Service at 5; preacher: the Rev. Canon Allen. Tea at 5.30 in the Parish Church Hall, Moorgate, at a reasonable charge. Will those requiring same please notify Mr. C. Ryder, 16, Godstone Road, Rotherham, by Wednesday, the 6th?—F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 18, Royston Ave., Bentley Road, Doncaster.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western Division.—The annual meeting of this division will be held at St. Michael's, Bishop's Stortford, on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells available 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m.; tea and business to follow at Chequers Hotel.—F. Dench, Hon. Dist. Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Garston on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells ready at 3.30. Service at 5.30. Tea and meeting 6. Members intending being present please send word to Sec., Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Wigan Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells will only be available from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. Please turn up in large numbers.—J. Halsall, Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Michael's, Bristol, on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells open from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.15 followed by tea and a business meeting, at which it is hoped every member will make a special effort to be present. The subscriptions for the current year should then be paid. Miss E. K. Parker hopes to attend this meeting. All ringers will be very welcome, and other bells will be available in the evening. Names of those who intend to be present at the tea should please be sent to Miss Smith, 23, Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol, by Dec. 4th without fail.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Great Hampton on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Service at 4 p.m. Tea provided for those who send me their names by the Tuesday previous.—J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A branch meeting will be held at St. Michael's Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, Dec. 9th, 1922. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Unveiling of Peal Tablet by the Rev. Canon Elsee, 3.30. Tea will be provided in the School at 5 o'clock. Will those intending to be present kindly send word early to Mr. A. Tomlinson, 57, Boxwood Street, Blackburn? A hearty invitation is extended to all ringers and friends. Meeting to follow tea.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Forest Branch.—The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Westbury-on-Severn on Saturday, 9th Dec., 1922. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service at 4.15. Tea and important business meeting to follow. A good large meeting is essential.—Joseph Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., Glen Holm, Newent, Glos.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bridgnorth Branch.—The Annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at Bridgnorth on Saturday, Dec. 9th, at 2.30. Tea at 4.45, provided free, followed by business meeting. Both towers available for ringing.—W. Hayward, District Hon. Sec., 3, North Gate, Bridgnorth.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The Annual Branch social will be held at Chorley on Saturday, Dec. 9th. The bells of S. Mary's, R.C. (8), and the Parish Church (8) will be available from 2 o'clock. Tickets 2/9 each, inclusive of tea and entertainment. Will all members and friends (including ladies) requiring tickets notify, not later than Tuesday, Dec. 5th, either Mr. F. Rigby, 19, Lorne Street, Chorley, or the Branch Sec., W. Taylor, Tower House, Penwortham?

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Christchurch District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Christchurch on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5.30; tea and meeting afterwards.—G. Preston, Christchurch.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—The Quarterly meeting of the above Branch will be held on Saturday, Dec. 9th, at Linslade. Bells (8) available from 2.45. Service 3.45; tea and meeting to follow. It is expected that the Master (Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) will attend.—Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.



**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A by-meeting of this Branch will be held at Chilvers Coton on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells available from 3.30 till 6 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The new peal of 8 bells of St. Aidan's, Black Hill, will be open to the Association all day on Saturday, Dec. 9th.—E. Ferry, Hon. Sec.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Merstham on Saturday, Dec. 9th. The bells (6) open for ringing 3.30. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea 5.45.—H. F. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, Dec. 11th; Bishopsgate, Dec. 18th; Sundays, St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at St. Joseph's Church, Ansdell (8 bells) on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Business meeting 5.30.—C. Sharples, Branch Secretary, 3, Rutland Gate, North Promenade, Blackpool.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—A Monthly ringing meeting for practice will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells available at 3 o'clock.—A. J. Skelding, Branch Sec., 7, Cecil Street, Stourbridge.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—Meeting at Stanmore, Dec. 16th. Full particulars next week, but it is hoped that the dedication of the new bells will take place on that day. Will members please note the date?—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—The Annual meeting of this Division will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow (8 bells), on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Service at 5; tea and meeting to follow in Hall adjoining church. Will members requiring tea kindly advise me by the 11th inst., and oblige?—W. H. Theobald, Hon. District Sec., 49, The Portway, West Ham, E.15.

**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North East Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Tiverton, on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells available at 2.30. Service and address by the Rector at 4.45. Tea, 1/- each, in the Institute at 5.15. Will those requiring tea notify me by the previous Tuesday?—Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting, 6.30. All ringers welcome.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 31, Samuel Street, Middleton.

**ST. MARY'S ASSOCIATION, PUTNEY.**—Practice in future every Wednesday instead of as heretofore, 7.30 to 9 p.m. Friends and visitors heartily welcomed. Standard methods usual.—J. Herbert, Hon. Sec.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

## PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

## SITUATIONS WANTED.

Ringer requires Situation, any suitable job will be accepted. Many years as WAREHOUSEMAN. Instructor on 6 and 8 bells, with little experience of 10, tower and handbells. Permanency preferred.—A. S. Morris, 5, King's Head St., Harwich, Essex.

Ex-C.Q.M.S., R.E. seeks employment as storekeeper, clerical work, or any position of trust. Married, family, aged 38, 6 years' exemplary army service, 10 years' wholesale and retail chemist's storekeeping, good change-ringer and able to instruct.—F. Precey, 2, Upton Lovel, Wilts.

**LEICESTER.**—On November 4th, at St. John-the-Divine, in an attempt for a peal, 2,800 Cambridge Surprise Major: G. Cattell 1, F. Kilborn 2, Miss Hilda Willson 3, T. Vallance 4, H. Stonely 5, W. Aldridge 6, J. Harris 7, Wm. Willson (conductor) 8. Rung on the 76th birthday of Mr. S. T. Bunning, of Borrowash, donor of the bells.

**KEYNSHAM.**—On Nov. 9th, rung with bells muffled, as a tribute of respect to the late Mr. M. Cooke, for 15 years sexton of the parish church, 720 Plain Bob Minor, with 7-8 covering: J. Williams 1, W. Bryant 2, F. Day 3, R. Harris 4, F. Parsons 5, W. Knight 6, G. Lacey 7, A. Cattell 8.

## YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

*Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.*

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,  
COVENTRY.**





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDEIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 304 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PAET II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..	4	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½in. 2¾in. 3½in. 3¾in. 4in. 4½in. 5in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 78/- 98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

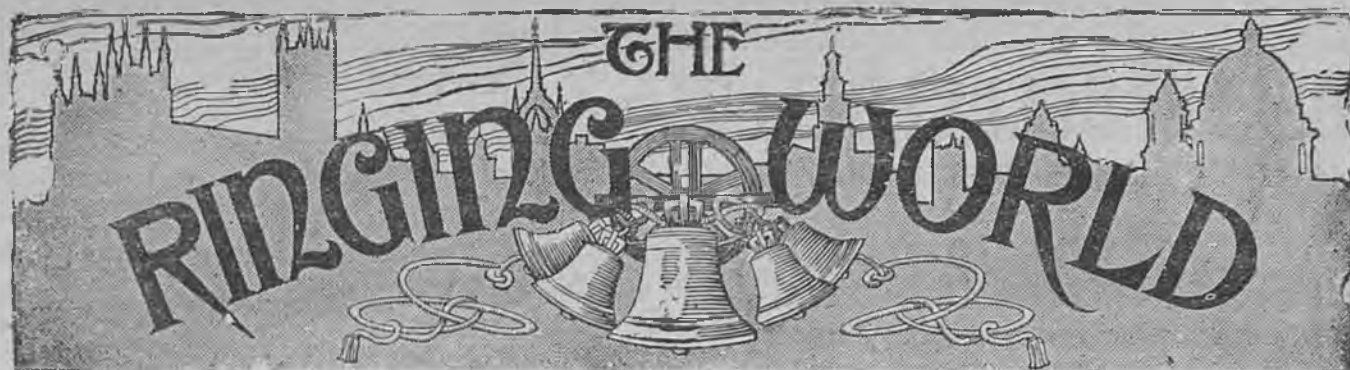
Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
TELEPHONE 2171 WOKING

**WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 612. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON

### CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

## BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### A 'TAX' ON PEALS.

An interesting subject was discussed at a district meeting of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association the other day, namely, a proposal to put a 'tax' of one shilling upon the ringers of each peal. What the actual suggestion before this Association is we have no knowledge beyond the bare statement that appeared in our last issue, but the matter is one which ringers generally have an interest in. Among associations who keep specially written peal books, it has been in the past the general practice to charge a 'booking' fee, for the collection and payment of which to the society the conductor is generally held responsible. These peal books originated in days long before the modern ringing organisation came into existence, and form some of the most valuable and often the only records we have of the performances of bygone days. When, within the last half-century, there came a more or less wholesale formation of territorial associations, the practice of entering peals in specially kept books was adopted by a good many; but the value of these records was discounted by the publication of annual reports, in which the peals were printed. As a result some associations have decided, on the score of redundancy as well as of economy, to drop the writing up of peal books.

In these days, however, another factor enters into the question. The number of peals rung has so vastly increased that if any of the leading peal-ringing societies now kept their peal books written up, without a booking fee, they would find serious inroads made upon their funds. In the same way many societies are finding that the cost of reproducing a large number of peal records in their annual report is inflating the printing bill to such an extent that the question of omitting some of the details has had the serious consideration of more than one society. There are, in most associations, some members who take the view that, as the peal records are responsible for a considerable part of the expense of the reports, those who ring the peals should help to provide a share of the cost. It is true that this would penalise the enthusiastic peal ringer, and there is much to be said against such a 'tax.' On the other hand, there are the finances of the association to be considered, and if the income will not meet the expenditure on account of the cost of the reports, it is a question whether a 'booking fee' should be instituted, and the peal ringers bear something of the expense they have created, or whether the general body of members should pay a larger contribution. Such a position, where it arises, needs very careful consideration before a decision is taken, for on the one side it may prove a serious handicap to peal ringing, or on the other, it may cause grave discontent among the non-peal ringing section of a society.

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway),

Late 155, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

AND ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary-le-Tower,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5016 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt.	
WILLIAM P. GARRETT... .. Treble	GEORGE A. FLEMING ... .. 7
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... .. 2	HARRY H. ROPER ... .. 8
WILLIAM TILLET ... .. 3	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... .. 9
H. CHARLES GILLINGHAM ... .. 4	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... .. 10
JAMES DURRANT ... .. 5	FREDERICK J. TILLET ... .. 11
ALBERT FLEMING... .. 6	CHARLES WOODCOCK ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by G. E. SYMONDS.  
First peal of Grandsire Cinques by all the band excepting Messrs. Garrett and Gillingham.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Four Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Saviour, Southwark,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES;

Tenor 50 cwt.	
WILSON RUSHTON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. PASMORE ... .. 7
CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... .. 2	HENRY R. NEWTON ... .. 8
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 3	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 9
HARRY R. PASMORE ... .. 4	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 10
LOUIS ATTWATER... .. 5	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. 11
HENRY G. MILES... .. 6	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by H. R. PASMORE.

SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
At the Cathedral,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 40 cwt.	
JOHN HOLMAN ... .. Treble	FRANCIS WARD ... .. 7
HARRY BOWER ... .. 2	WILLIAM CHOWN ... .. 8
WILLIAM LOMAS... .. 3	LEONARD CHARLESWORTH ... .. 9
SIDNEY F. PALMER ... .. 4	WILLIAM BURGAR ... .. 10
† HAYDEN THORPE ... .. 5	JOHN THORPE ... .. 11
GEORGE HOLMES ... .. 6	* HENRY NAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM LOMAS.

Rung in honour of Queen Alexandra's birthday. \* First peal.  
† First peal in the method. ‡ First peal of Cinques.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES;

* FREDERICK EVANS ... .. Treble	HERBERT SHEPPARD ... .. 6
GILBERT GUEST... .. 2	REUBEN HALL ... .. 7
* HECTOR G. BIRD ... .. 3	JOHN GOODMAN, JUN. ... .. 8
SAMUEL BAKER ... .. 4	ABRAHAM GREENFIELD ... .. 9
JOHN GOODMAN, SEN. ... .. 5	WILLIAM MECK ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. MICKLEWRIGHT. Conducted by J. GOODMAN, JUN.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters. This peal was specially arranged and rung as a compliment and welcome to the Right Rev. E. H. Pearce, Lord Bishop of Worcester, on the occasion of his visit to Dudley to reopen the parish church after its restoration; also as a birthday compliment to Mr. William Goodman, a member of the Dudley band.

## Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

➤ GREAT REDUCTIONS. ➤

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

BIRMINGHAM.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Tuesday, Nov. 28, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES;

Tenor 36 cwt.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. Treble	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 6
FRANK J. SMALLWOOD ... .. 2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... .. 3	JOHN NEAL ... .. 8
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 9
WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 5	GEORGE F. YENDALL ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

W. Saunders hails from Coalbrookdale, Salop. Rung as a birthday  
compliment to Messrs. J. George and F. W. Perrens.

WEST HAM, ESSEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MIDDLESEX SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 26 cwt.

ARTHUR J. NEALE ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 3	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 8
WILLIAM HEWETT ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 9
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 5	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BOLSTERSTONE, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Nov. 3, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF COLLEGE SINGLE MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

LEONARD SHAW ... .. Treble	ARCHIE BREARLEY ... .. 5
*JOHN A. BREARLEY ... .. 2	ALBERT HELLIWELL ... .. 6
WILLIAM A. WOOLER ... .. 3	WILLIAM HARRISON ... .. 7
SAMUEL HARRISON ... .. 4	JOHN R. BREARLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by J. R. BREARLEY.

\* First peal of College Single. This peal, now rung for the first  
time, was in celebration of the 70th birthday of Mr. R. H. R. Wilson,  
of Broomhead Hall, Lord of the Manor and patron of the living of  
Bolsterstone; also a birthday compliment to Mrs. R. T. Wilson,  
of Waldershaigh, wife of the churchwarden.

DIBDEN, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

D. C. WILLIAMS, F.R.C.O. Treble	*ERNEST J. WHITFIELD ... .. 5
*HARRY GOODENOUGH ... .. 2	*FREDERICK E. COLLINS ... .. 6
GEORGE POLLINGER ... .. 3	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 7
WILLIAM E. CHEATER ... .. 4	REGINALD BROWN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal. This peal was arranged by the Ringing Master for the  
ringers of the 2nd (Bournemouth), 4th, 5th and 6th (Ringwood).

EARL SHILTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. SIMON AND JUDE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS.

Tenor 10 cwt.

WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... Treble	ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... .. 5
JOHN SWINFELD ... .. 2	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. 6
MAURICE M. SWINFELD ... .. 3	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 7
THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... .. 4	EDWARD WHITEHEAD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

First peal of Stedman on the bells. Ringers of 2nd and 3rd hail  
from Burton-on-Trent, 4th and 5th from Nuneaton, remainder from  
Leicester.

HUGGLESCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S ONE-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

JOSEPH CADLE ... .. Treble	GERALD GRIFFIN ... .. 5
ALBERT J. MOULT ... .. 2	*SIDNEY MILLS ... .. 6
*HORACE MOULT ... .. 3	EPHRAIM W. RANDES ... .. 7
JOHN H. DEAN ... .. 4	HARRY POWDRILL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. W. RANDES.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the  
6th, a former member of the Hugglescote band, but now residing at  
Glaston, Rutlandshire.

MANSFIELD, NOTTS.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

*ARTHUR DENT ... .. Treble	REV. R. F. WILKINSON ... .. 5
ALBERT COPPOCK ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. HILL ... .. 6
ALBERT H. WARD ... .. 3	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. 7
THOMAS BETTISON ... .. 4	JOHN FLINT ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

First peal in the method on the bells. \* First peal. Rung as a  
birthday compliment to the Rev. R. F. Wilkinson. The band wish to  
thank him for hospitality after the peal.

GATESHEAD, DURHAM.  
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

*ALBERT M. HALL ... .. Treble	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 5
*RICHARD PATTINSON ... .. 2	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. 6
*ARTHUR PAYNE ... .. 3	*RICHARD FOREMAN ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 4	JOHN STUART ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

\* First peal. † First peal away from tenor and first peal of Grand-  
sire. ‡ First peal of Grandsire Triples. Rung as a birthday compli-  
ment to the daughter of the ringer of the treble on her 21st birthday.

BURNLEY.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*WALTER STEPHENSON ... Treble	*WILFRED GRAMHAM ... .. 5
EDWIN OGDEN ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. HUNTER ... .. 6
*CHARLES W. STEPHENSON ... 3	HARRY ENTWISTLE ... .. 7
HERBERT WORMWELL ... .. 4	RENNIE HARTLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. EARLE BULWER. Conducted by R. HARTLEY.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. ‡ First peal away from  
the treble. First peal on the bells after being rehung by Mears and  
Stainbank.

WORTLEY NEAR SHEFFIELD, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN HOLMAN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM CROWN ... .. 5
GEORGE LEWIS ... .. 2	JOHN DRONFIELD ... .. 6
*WILLIAM WOOLER ... .. 3	PERCIVAL A. KNIGHTS ... .. 7
HARRY BOWER ... .. 4	SIDNEY F. PALMER ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by GEORGE LEWIS.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. Rung after meeting short for Stedman.  
The band wish to thank Mr. J. Dronfield for taking the spare rope,  
this being his first attempt for a peal for eleven years.



STAPLEHURST, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 21½ cwt.

*ARTHUR FARRANCE ... .. Treble	*HARRY E. HEAD ... .. 5
CHARLES H. SONE ... .. 2	*JOHN W. HEAD ... .. 6
HARRY BAKER ... .. 3	BENJAMIN F. BAKER ... .. 7
THOMAS E. SONE ... .. 4	*CHRIS. E. POPE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS E. SONE.

\* First peal. All are regular ringers at the above church.

HYDE, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(STOCKPORT & BOWDEN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt. 0 qr. 11 lb. in E.

BENJAMIN THORP ... .. Treble	*ALLAN S. GORDON ... .. 5
JOHN BRIERLEY ... .. 2	*SYDNEY HOUGH ... .. 6
*JOHN P. FIDLER ... .. 3	TOM WILDE ... .. 7
*WILLIAM GORDON ... .. 4	ALBERT HOUGH ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by TOM WILDE.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First peal of Major. † First peal of Bob Major. This peal was arranged for the 'first pealers.' The ringer of the treble hails from Ashton-under-Lyne, 3rd from Norbury, 4th and 5th from Stockport, St. Mary's, 6th from Knutsford, 2nd, 7th and 8th belong to the local band.

DENHOLME.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr.

GEORGE SCOTT ... .. Treble	EDGAR WHITELEY ... .. 5
*HAROLD PEARSE ... .. 2	JOE GREENWOOD ... .. 6
WILLIE FOSTER ... .. 3	VERNEY BAIRSTOW ... .. 7
FIELDING CROSSLEY ... .. 4	ALBERT JAGGER ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL. Conducted by ALBERT JAGGER.

Ringers of treble, 2nd and 5th hail from Queensbury, 4th, 6th and tenor from Northowram, 3rd and 7th from Denholme. \* First peal.

DEVIZES, WILTS.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Nov. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 19 cwt.

JESSE FRANCIS ... .. Treble	SIDNEY HILLIER ... .. 5
CHARLES J. GARDINER ... .. 2	CHARLES F. ANDREWS ... .. 6
WALTER FARLEY ... .. 3	SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. 7
ERNEST BISHOP ... .. 4	*WILLIAM GREENLAND ... .. Tenor

Conducted by SAMUEL J. HECTOR.

\* First peal.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Monday, Nov. 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ISAAC EVANS ... .. Treble	EDWARD HORTIN ... .. 5
WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 2	JOHN T. DAVIES ... .. 6
DAVID APPELEY ... .. 3	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... .. 7
SAMUEL H. COLEY ... .. 4	*SIDNEY MILLS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER WALLATER.

\* First peal and first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. T. Davies, also to Mr. James George, of Birmingham.

LINCOLN.—On Wednesday, Oct. 25th, at St. Peter-at-Arches, on the occasion of the dedication of the war memorial, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: Miss L. Coldron (first quarter-peal) 1, C. McGuiness 2, L. Snell (conductor) 3, Rev. R. Bond 4, L. Pask 5, G. Almonds 6, H. Marcon 7, A. Marcon 8.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH ST EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Nov. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

GEORGE S. ROWE ... .. Treble	ERNEST E. GRIMES ... .. 5
*EDWARD G. GRINDELL ... .. 2	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... .. 6
PERCIVAL WOODS ... .. 3	WALTER RUFFLES ... .. 7
ALPHAEUS J. BERRY ... .. 4	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEO. H. CROSS.

Conducted by WM. C. RUMSEY.

\* First peal 'inside' and rung at the first attempt.

LINCOLN.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, Nov. 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER AT ARCHES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 20 cwt.

CHARLES MCGUINNESS ... Treble	JOHN WALDEN ... .. 5
H. LESLIE PASK ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. STOKES ... .. 6
*ALGERNON R. CHESTER ... 3	JOHN A. FREEMAN ... .. 7
HAROLD MARCON ... .. 4	*CHARLES H. BEEL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN A. FREEMAN.

\* First peal.

HAGBOURNE, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BERKS BRANCH.)

On Thursday, Nov. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 22 cwt. in E flat.

*WILLIAM A. GOODENOUGH Treble	G. FREDERICK JAMES ... .. 5
THOMAS EAST ... .. 2	RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. NAPPER ... .. 3	JAMES S. NAPPER ... .. 7
WALTER V. WEBB ... .. 4	THOMAS JAKEMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS EAST.

\* First peal away from tenor. Rung on the feast of St. Andrew, and on the 30th anniversary of the conductor's first peal.

FULNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Dec. 1, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE LADD ... .. Treble	ARTHUR H. PALMER ... .. 5
MISS ANNIE PARKINS ... .. 2	*JOHN CURRY ... .. 6
JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 3	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. ... 7
ARTHUR J. FARR ... .. 4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by R. RICHARDSON.

\* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the birthday of Queen Alexandra, also as a birthday compliment to John Curry.

OAKHAM, RUTLANDSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

WALTER T. WILSON ... .. Treble	FRED WILFORD ... .. 5
MISS ANNIE PARKINS ... .. 2	TOM TEBBUTT ... .. 6
ERNEST BARTRAM, M.M. ... 3	R. HENRY BARTRAM ... .. 7
BERTIE O. SODEN ... .. 4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by R. RICHARDSON.

First peal in the method on the bells. R. H. Bartram's 100th peal for the above Association.

A DATE TOUCH.

At Woodford, Essex, Parish Church on December 1st, a date touch of Bob Minor (1,922 changes), in 1 hour 6 minutes: C. R. T. Morris 1, G. E. Wightman 2, E. Plummer 3, L. T. Hoff 4, C. R. Morris 5, E. Wightman (conductor) 6. Longest length by ringers of 1, 2 and 4.

SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.  
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Ignatius the Martyr,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

* HAROLD B. DITCHBURN ... Treble	† ROBERT WALKER ... 5
† THOMAS STEPHENSON ... 2	THOMAS H. NAISEY ... 6
GEORGE S. TAYLOR ... 3	JOSEPH W. PARKER ... 7
MICHAEL F. HARRISON ... 4	ROBERT L. PATTERSON ... Tenor

Composed by E. BARNETT, SEN. Conducted by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

Rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. William Oxley, a service ringer at this church, to Miss Lily Storey, by the remaining members of the band immediately after the ceremony. \* First peal away from covering tenor. † First peal of Major 'inside.' † First peal in the method.

PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

RAYMOND WOOD ... Treble	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... 5
MISS EDITH K. PARKER ... 2	WILLIAM SHORT ... 6
PERCY H. DOICK ... 3	JAMES PARKER ... 7
JAMES BURDFIELD ... 4	JOHN NETLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by Miss E. K. PARKER.

Rung to commemorate the raising of £1,000 towards the church restoration.

SUNBURY-ON-THAMES.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE SPENCER ... Treble	† FREDK. W. GOODFELLOW ... 5
FREDERICK G. GODDARD ... 2	WILLIAM H. HOLLIER ... 6
HENRY A. FOLKARD ... 3	ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... 7
* A. MARK STACEY ... 4	LIONEL H. PAGE ... Tenor

Composed by J. F. PRITCHARD. Conducted by E. G. HIBBINS.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal of Bob Major. Specially arranged for E. G. Hibbins, of Cambridge, also as a 21st birthday compliment to the sister of the ringer of the 5th.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

EDWARD G. GRINDELL ... Treble	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM ... 5
WILLIAM G. RUMSEY ... 2	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 6
ALPHRUS J. BERRY ... 3	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 7
JAMES DURRANT ... 4	THOMAS W. LAST ... Tenor

Composed by GEO. H. CROSS. Conducted by WM. C. RUMSEY.

Rung in honour of the birthday of Queen Alexandra.

MONK'S KIRBY, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

At the Church of St. Edith,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A TRANSPOSITION OF E. B. JAMES' TEN-PART. Tenor 24½ cwt.

* WILLIAM COPE ... Treble	TOM ATKINS ... 5
CHARLES W. BROWN ... 2	FRED COTTON ... 6
CHARLES H. WEBB ... 3	FREDERICK E. WILSON ... 7
† THOMAS COOPER ... 4	† FRANK RHEAD ... Tenor

Conducted by F. COTTON.

\* First peal of Triples and first attempt. † First peal of Triples from tenor. † First peal and first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. E. Wilson on attaining his 18th year.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

ROBERT HOLLOWAY ... Treble	JOSEPH MILNER ... 5
GEORGE M. KILBY ... 2	HARRY KILBY ... 6
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 3	ARTHUR HARDING ... 7
WILLIAM HENLEY ... 4	WILLIAM WELLING ... Tenor

Composed by J. H. BLAKISTON. Conducted by WM. WELLING.

FARNHAM, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 21½ cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE ... Treble	GEORGE ELLIS ... 5
REV. CANON G. F. COLERIDGE ... 2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... 6
ERNEST WEATHERBY ... 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... 7
HENRY HUTTON ... 4	ALFRED H. POLLING ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

First peal of Double Norwich on the bells.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,

At the Bell Foundry Campanile,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 6½ cwt.

JOHN SADDINGTON ... Treble	MISS PHYLLIS HARE ... 5
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... 6
REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 3	JOHN OLDHAM ... 7
SHIRLEY BORTON ... 4	HAROLD J. POOLE ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

First 'touch' in the method by Miss Phyllis Hare. The band heartily congratulate her on her excellent performance.

CAERPHILLY, GLAM.  
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Martin,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART,

Tenor 13 cwt. 0 qr. 1 lb.

* SINCLAIR ADDICOTT ... Treble	WILLIAM PIKE ... 5
ALBERT ADDICOTT ... 2	GEORGE COOKE ... 6
ALBAN E. SLATTER ... 3	FRANK BOUCHER ... 7
PERCY JONES ... 4	BRINLY ADDICOTT ... Tenor

Conducted by A. ADDICOTT.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor. Rung on the eve of Advent, also as a wedding peal to T. Love.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS & SOUTH BERKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

* ROLAND BIGGS ... Treble	ARTHUR G. JAMES ... 5
JOSEPH EVANS ... 2	RALPH H. BIGGS ... 6
* ALFRED SMITH ... 3	† FRANK BOREHAM ... 7
FREDERICK BIGGS ... 4	VICTOR EVANS ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BOREHAM.

\* First peal. Ringer of treble is 15 years old. † First peal of Grandsire as conductor. Rung by an entirely local band.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

**RADSTOCK, SOMERSET.**  
**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Friday, Nov. 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 8 six-scores of Old Doubles, 12 of Plain Bob & 22 of Grandsire.  
 Tenor 9 cwt.

JOHN SEYMOUR ... .. Treble	CHARLES J. PAIN ... .. 3
GERALD F. GRIFFIN ... .. 2	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN ... .. 4
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

**FRAMPTON-ON-SEVERN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE & ST. DUNSTON DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THOMAS MARTIN ... .. Treble	THOMAS BAILEY ... .. 4
FRANK COLE ... .. 2	EDWARD FREEDY ... .. 5
ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 3	THOMAS PRICE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

**KINGSTONE, HEREFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Three Hours,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

*CHARLES W. EDWARDS ... Treble	ALLEN GWYNNE ... .. 4
CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 2	†FRED ARROWSMITH ... .. 5
ALEC TAYLOR ... .. 3	WALTER TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

The above are all gardeners, and this is believed to be the first 'Japonicas' peal of Minor rung. \* First peal. † First peal of Minor.

**BRAMFORD, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of seven 720's called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

*P. SOUTHGATE ... .. Treble	*A. RODWELL ... .. 4
*A. BOWMAN ... .. 2	F. KINSEY ... .. 5
W. BROWN ... .. 3	E. RIVERS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. RIVERS.

First peal of Bob Minor by all. \* First peal. Believed to be the first peal by a Bramford company for over 100 years.

**TEYNHAM, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Monday, Nov. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

[Being 720 of Canterbury Pleasure and two 720's each of College Single, Plain Bob and Oxford Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.]

*VERNARD PAGE ... .. Treble	†EDWARD W. TUMBER ... .. 4
CHARLES TUMBER ... .. 2	†EDWARD HODGES ... .. 5
†EDWARD GAMBELL ... .. 3	WILLIAM NYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM NYE.

\* First 5,040 in four methods. † First in four methods with a bob bell.

**LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.**  
**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Monday, Nov. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently.

GEORGE L. JOYCE ... .. Treble	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 4
PHILLIP H. AVEY ... .. 2	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... .. 3	JOHN MOULE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. MILLER.

First peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor by all the band. Reuben Sanders has now rung peals of Cambridge Surprise on 6, 8, 10 and 12 bells.

**BEKESBOURNE.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
 (CANTERBURY & DISTRICT BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of four 720's of Kent Treble Bob and 3 of Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt.

HENRY BRAMBLE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SAVAGE ... .. 4
JAMES P. COBBOLD ... .. 2	HARRISON SMITH ... .. 5
PERCY W. SMITH ... .. 3	ALBERT JOHNSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. JOHNSON.

First peal by all the band excepting Harrison Smith. First peal attempted and called by the conductor. Rung at the first attempt. All were members of the Littlebourne band excepting Harrison Smith, who belongs to the Wickhambreaux band.

**NEWTON-IN-THE-ISLE, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.**  
**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Wednesday, Nov. 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

*HARRY SHINKINS ... .. Treble	*GEORGE MASON ... .. 4
ARTHUR WIGMORE ... .. 2	BERT GOGLE ... .. 5
*JOHN FOSIER ... .. 3	FRED WIGMORE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by BERT GOGLE.

\* First peal on tower bells. First peal as conductor on tower bells.

**HOLBETON, DEVON.**  
**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**  
 (HOLBETON PAROCHIAL BAND.)

*On Thursday, Nov. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	REV. E. S. POWELL ... .. 4
JOHN REEBY ... .. 2	C. BOOKLESS BROWNE ... .. 5
FREDERICK LAFTHORN ... .. 3	B. MILLER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by REV. E. S. POWELL.

Rung as a compliment to Lieut.-Col. the Rt. Hon. F. B. Mildmay, on his elevation to the peerage, and as a commemoration of his retention of the Parliamentary representation of the Totnes Division of Devonshire for an uninterrupted period of 37 years.

**ISLIP, NORTHANTS.**  
**THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sunday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, two each of Oxford Bob & Bob Minor. Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb.

ALFRED KNIGHT ... .. Treble	*AMOS SMART ... .. 4
FRED STUBS ... .. 2	FRANK KIRK ... .. 5
LEONARD J. WYMAN ... .. 3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

\* First peal in five methods. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of 2nd and 4th.

**MONTFORD, SHROPSHIRE.**  
**THE ST. CHAD'S SOCIETY, SALOP.**  
*On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Comprising two 720's of Kent Treble Bob, one each of Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and Grandsire, and two 720's of Bob Minor.

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

*EDGAR H. C. HICKON ... Treble	REGINALD R. POLE ... .. 4
JAMES E. LILLEY ... .. 2	DENNIS J. BOUCHER ... .. 5
†WILLIAM B. KYNASTON ... 3	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

First peal of Minor in five methods by all except the conductor; also first peal of Minor on the bells. \* First peal. † First peal of Minor.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

**HARWICH, ESSEX.**  
**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, Nov. 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,*  
*At 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 8064 CHANCES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by E. MORRIS, Leicester. Conducted by the performer.  
Umpire: ROBERT GARNETT.

**COVENTRY.**

**THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**

*On Saturday, Nov. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,*  
*At THE RESIDENCE OF MR. F. W. PERRINS, 45, ENGLETON RD.,*  
*RADFORD,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5067 CHANCES;**

Tenor size 15 in C.

FRANK E. PERVIN ... 1-2 | ALBERT WALKER... ... 5-6  
FRANK W. PERRENS ... 3-4 | JAMES E. GROVES ... 7-8

JOHN TAYLOR ... 9-10

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES. Conducted by F. W. PERREN.

Referee: OSWALD J. HUNT.

**WISBECH, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.**

**THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION**

*On Tuesday, Nov. 28, 1922, in One Hour and Fifty-Four Minutes,*  
*At THE RESIDENCE OF MR. WIGMORE,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

\*FRED WIGMORE .. 1-2 | JOHN FOSTER ... 3-4  
BERT GOGLE ... 5-6

Conducted by BERT GOGLE.

\* First peal on handbells. First peal as conductor.

NEWPORT, MON.—At All Saints' Church, on Thursday, Oct. 12th. for the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46 mins.: A. E. Morgan 1, T. Ford 2, H. Morgan 3, E. Morgan 4, F. Chapman 5, C. Greedy 6, J. W. Jones (conductor) 7, H. Forbes 8.

**HARWICH, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, Dec. 1, 1922, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,*

*At KING'S HEAD STREET,*

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by EDWARD MULLINS. Conducted by the performer.

Umpires: ROBERT GARNETT and JACK SCARFE.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

**PROPOSAL FOR BELL RESTORATION FUND.**

A most successful meeting of the Eastern District was held at Goole on Saturday, Nov. 25th, and was attended by about 30 members, from Hatfield, Howden, Hull, Poutefract, Selby, Snaith, Sutton and Thorne, the bells being kept going to the various standard methods during the afternoon. Service was held at 4 p.m., the preacher being the Vicar (the Right Rev. Bishop G. D. Iliff, D.D.), who delivered a most able and thoughtful address. It was hoped that the Bishop of Sheffield would have spoken, but unfortunately at the last moment he was unable to be present.

A sumptuous tea was afterwards partaken of in the Church Schools. The business meeting was held immediately afterwards, under the chairmanship of the Vicar, supported by the vice-president (Mr. A. E. West), the Rev. E. F. Ladds and the Rev. T. Milner (curate), and the two churchwardens, Messrs. J. A. B. Milner and H. S. White, were also present.

It was then decided that the next meeting, which will be the annual, shall be held at York.—Two new members were elected to the association, viz., Mr. Arthur Cryer (Selby) and Mr. J. Thompson (Howden).

The following resolution was brought forward, and carried unanimously: 'That the association consider a scheme for a Bell Restoration Fund, by making collections at the general and district meetings.'

Votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells and his splendid address, to the organist, to the ladies for serving at the tea tables, and to the local ringers for their excellent arrangements.

This brought the meeting to a close, members adjourning to the tower for further ringing.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**

**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE**

**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and**

**Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD**

**LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. William E. Garrard, who has been elected as Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths for the present year, has been a well-known figure in London ringing for many years, and has been one of the mainstays of the St. Mary Abbot's Guild, Kensington.

From a letter which we have received from Mr. F. J. Cole, of Natal, South Africa, we learn that a young band is pegging away at Grandsire in that distant part of the world. Progress is naturally slow, but hopeful. Mr. Cole's company consists of all young men, who, until a year ago, had never seen a bell.

Mr. G. H. Cross writes that the peal which he recently conducted at East Dereham was not the first of Kent Treble Bob on the bells. A peal in this method was rung there on May 21st, 1901, and Mr. Cross has to thank Mr. E. F. Poppy for the information.

At the annual meeting of the Exeter Branch of the Devon Guild to-morrow, the bells at Exeter Cathedral will be available to 6.30 p.m. This should be a great attraction to visiting ringers.

To-day is the anniversary of the 'five ones' of Stedman Caters rung at Fulham by the College Youths on Dec. 8th, 1883, in 7 hours 12 minutes. Although that was nearly forty years ago, six of the band are still in the ranks of active ringers, the oldest survivor being Mr. Ted Horrex.

The first peal (Stedman Cinques) at St. Paul's Cathedral was rung on Dec. 10th, 1881, and of the band that took part Mr. Horrex is, we believe, the last survivor.

A record which stood for nearly 80 years was set up on Dec. 9th, 1833, when the Painswick Society rang, in 6 hours 50 minutes, 10,224 Treble Bob Maximus. It was not until 1911 that this was exceeded by a peal of 12,240 in 8 hours 39 minutes, at Ashton-under-Lyne.

On Dec. 10th, in the year 1793, the Junior Cumberland Society rang a peal of 5,111 Grandsire Caters at St. Sepulchre's, Snowhill.

The peal rung at South Wigston, and reported in our last issue, was composed by Arthur Knights, and not F. Robinson, as stated.

## WHY NOT A REFERENDUM?

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—With reference to your interesting article in this week's 'Ringing World' I must confess that I do not see how a referendum would help matters in East Anglia. The crux of the whole situation is the creation of the new diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich. This deprives any association outside that diocese of any claim to the title of 'Diocesan,' as far as the county of Suffolk is concerned. This is a most important consideration for anyone who has an understanding of ecclesiastical affairs. It was recognised at once by the Ely Diocesan Association, which promptly relinquished its claim to West Suffolk, and is equally operative with regard to the Norwich Association, whether recognised or not. For better or worse, the whole of Suffolk with the exception of the north-east corner, is now included in the Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, and by that very fact is cut off from any 'Diocesan' connection with Norwich. It is, of course, possible, and, as I have said, quite comprehensible that the old East Suffolk members who have grown up, as it were, in the Norwich Association, should wish to continue their connection with that deservedly flourishing society, but they must sooner or later come to understand that it is no longer a 'diocesan' connection. How can it be? Ringers cannot vote themselves out of one diocese into another, and as a fresh generation of incumbents and ringers arises in East Suffolk the influence of the diocese is bound to make itself felt more and more. Otherwise, a district could belong to two different dioceses at the same time, which, as our old friend, Euclid, would say, 'is absurd.'

If the Norwich Association would only recognise this fact, which must be patent to every unprejudiced churchman that it is not, and never can be, the 'diocesan' society in any diocese but its own, one can imagine that it might be possible to formulate some scheme by which the two diocesan associations in East Anglia could work together in harmony and mutual helpfulness. But the preliminary necessity for any such federation is the recognition of the complete independence of the Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, and its right to organise itself under its own Bishop. Any claim from Norwich to be a 'St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich' Diocesan Association is inherently weak, in that it violates this fundamental principle of diocesan organisation, and however strong the Norwich Association may be at the moment, it is bound eventually to end in failure, and thwart the very object for which it is made.

Long Stanton, Dec. 4th.

H. B. WOOLLEY.

## THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.

The following officers have been elected for the year: Master, Mr. W. E. Garrard; hon. treasurer, Mr. A. A. Hughes; senior steward, Mr. R. T. Hibbert; junior steward, Mr. P. E. Clark; trustees, Messrs. C. F. Winney and Walter Prime; hon. secretary, Mr. W. T. Cockerill.

## DIVISION OF WINCHESTER DIOCESE.

## NEW RINGERS' GUILD PROPOSED.

The annual meeting of the Guildford District of the Winchester Guild took place at Guildford, on Saturday, Nov. 25th, and was well attended, members being present from Aldershot, Chiddingfold, Clandon, Cranleigh, Dorking, Farnham, Godalming, Holy Trinity and St. Nicolas, Guildford, Haslemere, Mottis, Shere, Witley, Woking, Worplesdon, etc. The bells at Holy Trinity (8) and St. Nicolas' (10) were rung in various methods during the afternoon, and a service was held in St. Mary's Church, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. Canon E. C. Kirwan). The Guild service was used, and an address was given by the Rev. C. E. C. LeRoy, Rector of Chiddingfold.—A capital tea was partaken of at the Star Hotel, 84 sitting down.

At the business meeting which followed, Mr. Walter Harrison occupied the chair, and was supported by Canon E. C. Kirwan, Canon G. F. Coleridge (President of the Central Council), Major J. H. B. Hesse, Mr. N. Vincent, Mr. J. J. Jones, and others.

The hon. secretary (Mr. E. Raddon) presented his report, which showed a substantial balance to be forwarded to the general treasurer.—The Ringing Master's report was also read and adopted.

The election of officers resulted in Mr. E. Raddon being re-elected secretary; Mr. A. C. Hazelden, Ringing Master; Messrs. J. J. Jones and R. Whittington, representatives on the Central Committee; and Mr. W. H. Tunnell, honorary auditor. Mr. W. R. Melville was re-elected chairman of the district committee, and the places selected for the meetings during the forthcoming year were: February, Farnham; April, Chiddingfold; May, Ewhurst; July, Ashted; September, Woking, and the annual at Guildford.

An important discussion then took place on the division of the diocese, and how it would affect the Surrey districts of the Guild.—The Chairman, in dealing with the matter, said, when the division actually took place, he hoped the ringers would have decided upon a scheme to solve the question of the division of their Guild.

The question was discussed from the ringers' point of view, Canon Kirwan and Canon Coleridge taking part, and the majority were in favour of forming a new Guild for the whole of the new diocese of Guildford.

A sub-committee was appointed, consisting of three clergy and six laymen from different towers to confer with members of the York-town district, and the towers in the Dorking and Leatherhead areas, with a view of formulating a scheme, to be submitted to all the towers in the proposed new diocese, and with instructions to report at the annual meeting in November, 1923.

The usual vote of thanks to the chairman, the Rector and organist, was passed, after which the company enjoyed a 'social' arranged by the Ringing Master. The Cranleigh ringers also gave selections of tunes on handbells to the great delight of the audience.

## DIPLOMAS OF MERIT.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—If Mr. Willson is so anxious to raise the standard of ringing and the morale of ringers (either through the press or on the platform), he would do better to keep to the subject of diplomas, letters, etc., and not get into personalities, which are quite outside the point at issue. It would give greater encouragement to the 'bete noire' he is so anxious to wipe out, if he would go and help them to ring the London and other 'Surprises' at towers only possessing five and six bells. These number over 200 per cent. more than the towers with a higher number of bells, and whilst they remain as such, so will Doubles and Minor be rung.

It is impossible to form a standard covering the whole range from five to twelve bells inclusive (if such a scheme is wanted), and it would be far better to keep 5, 6, 8, and so on, in separate classes, as they in no way coincide.

In my humble opinion, the ringer who earns the 'O.M.' [I doubt if any want it] is the one who has rung on all numbers, and is willing to do so at any time, and not those who isolate themselves with a particular band, or set of methods, or class. In conclusion, I would ask Mr. Willson when writing to stick to plain English, as his remarks on 'bete noire' [which means a black beast and a bugbear] is insulting, and condemns the whole object in one sentence.—Yours truly,

ERNEST MORRIS.

24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

## WEST COUNTRY RESTORATIONS.

The peal of six bells at the fine old church at Landulph, Cornwall, have been restored. The bells are now hung on modern fittings, with patent adjustable bearings, by the famous West of England experts, Messrs. Aggett and Sons, of Chagford. The bells were tested last week by several sets of ringers, who were highly pleased with the improvements and 'go' of the bells. Messrs. Aggett are commencing this week the restoration of the peal of six at St. Budeaux, Plymouth, which are to be completed by Christmas; also of the peal of six at Bisington (Devon).

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

## SPLENDID SERVICE OF SOUTH ANSTON RINGERS.

One of the most interesting meetings in connection with the North Notts Association was held at South Anston on Saturday week. The church contains a good going ring of six bells (tenor 12 cwt.), out very much out of tune. There is also a band of ringers with an enviable reputation who can ring methods from Plain Bob to London Surprise, and with an average of 35 years' service, all of whom are choirmen, sidesmen, communicants, or hold other church offices. It was at this home of good six-bell ringing that the association met under most favourable climatic conditions. It was a gloriously fine autumn afternoon, without a cloud in the blue sky, and the picturesque villages of North and South Anston, crowning with their red roofs the steep hills on either side of the valley, through which runs the stream forming the head waters of the River Ryton, presented a very pleasing view to those members who stood in the churchyard listening to the bells which were swinging merrily in well-struck touches of different Treble Bob methods. There was a fairly good attendance of members, and several from kindred associations, and the absent ones missed a very pleasant day's outing, and an equally social gathering. The following towers were represented: Anston, Harthill, Barborough, Killamarsh, Shireoaks, Ordsall, Tree- ton, All Saints', Sheffield; Rotherham, Hoylandswaine and Work- sop. The Anston ringers were in attendance to welcome the visitors, with their keen and enthusiastic youngster, G. T., whom the writer succeeded in getting through his first 120 changes with a bell. The methods rung during the afternoon and evening were Kent and Oxford, Killamarsh, Sandal, Violet, London Scholars, Duke of York, London, Cambridge and Wells Surprise.

The Anston ringers and clergy had arranged a short service, a suitable address being given by the Vicar (the Rev. Robt. Hodgson). A 'knife and fork' tea was provided in the clubroom of the Square and Compass, and the business meeting followed.

The Secretary (Mr. H. Haigh) gave notice of a desire of the Retford ringers for a meeting at that place in January, 1923, but as Work- sop was considered the most central and convenient, the latter place was chosen.—Mr. W. Stubbley, of Sheffield, was elected a non-resident life member.

The Hon. Secretary proposed a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to the Vicar (the Rev. Robt. Hodgson) for use of the bells, for presiding over the tea and meeting, and for his inspiring address to the ringers; also to the organist, and to the host and hostess for their excellent catering.

The Vicar, in reply, said he was always delighted to welcome the ringers to Anston, and to hear the bells rung to intimate a great festival of the church. Another way in which a peal of bells was useful in a parish was that they created a new department of willing ministry to God. A good peal of the bells rung in the right spirit created a new ministry, and he was pleased to say from knowledge which he obtained that the status of the church bell ringers had reached a high standard. He was highly delighted with all the kind words that had been spoken of him by the hon. secretary, and complimented him on the precise report given of the Hanworth meeting. The hon. secretary had reminded him of the necessity of increasing the peal from six to eight to complete the octave to keep company with the only two peals of ten and eight at Retford and Work- sop respectively, and also to encourage his own band of ringers to take up eight-bell ringing, as they had now reached the height of their zenith on six bells. He hoped to have the bells rehung with new fittings, and returned as speedily as possible, and hoped further that the two additional bells would follow.

The bells were kept going until 9.15 p.m.

H. H.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Western District of the Hertford County Association was held at Hemel Hempstead, on Saturday last, and was fairly well attended by members and friends from Apsley, Berkhamstead, Croydon, Edmonton, Harpenden, King's Langley, Tring, St. Albans, Watford, Whitwell, Isle of Wight, and the local tower. During the afternoon and evening touches of Kent and Oxford Treble and Plain Bob, Grandfire and Stedman Triples were brought round. A service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the curate (the Rev. A. Brooke-Westcott), the Vicar (the Rev. A. E. Robson) being unable to attend. Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar, was served in St. Mary's Hall, and was followed by the business meeting, at which the curate presided.

The tower elections of Messrs. H. and W. Lear and J. Mead, of Bleckley, and K. G. Edwards, of Calverton, were confirmed.—Northchurch was selected for the next place of meeting, on Feb. 3rd, 1923.

Votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells and the splendid tea, also to the curate for his address and presiding over the meeting.—Thanks were also given to the caretakers of St. Mary's Hall for the kind way they looked after the ringers' comfort at tea. This brought the meeting to a close. The tower was again visited, and further touches rung.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE 1921

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

### WICKEN CHURCH BELLS. DEDICATION OF NEW TREBLES.

On Wednesday, November 8th, the Bishop of Leicester visited Wicken to dedicate the new treble bells, which have just been hung in the church tower to make a peal of eight.

The bells have been hung on a new framework of steel girders fixed to the existing oak beams already in the tower. At the same time the old framework has been bolted and strengthened, and all the bells have been taken out, overhauled and readjusted, and the clappers refitted. The work has been carried out by Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich, at a cost of over £200, and the parish now has a peal to be proud of.

The service of dedication took place in the evening, when many ringers from neighbouring villages showed their interest by attending with a large congregation of parishioners. The service began with the hymn, 'Hark, hark, my soul,' sung in procession, followed by the Lord's Prayer, and Psalm cl. A short lesson from Numbers (chap. x.), telling of the making of the silver trumpets for the gathering of the congregation, and to be blown 'in the day of your gladness and in your solemn days,' which trumpets, as the Bishop pointed out, were the earliest predecessors of the bells of to-day, and were used for the same purpose. The lesson was followed by the Cantata and the Creed, and then the choir and clergy singing 'Angel voices ever singing' proceeded to the tower screen, where the Bishop, after offering prayers for God's blessing upon the ringers and parishioners, upon those who are called by the bells to worship, and upon those for whom they shall ring their passing from the world, solemnly dedicated them 'to the greater glory of God's House and to the honour of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost.'

Whilst the congregation stood, the ringers rang 16 rounds before the choir returned to the chancel singing 'Whens'er the sweet church bell peals over hill and dell, may Jesus Christ be praised.' The Bishop then gave a most interesting address, tracing the origin and use of bells in Christian service from earliest times, mentioning the earliest records of their use in the Church of England, and so following their history down through the centuries to the present time.

It was altogether a very glad and bright service of thanksgiving. The following rang during the service and afterwards: Messrs. G. Green, L. Smith, T. Read, J. Roberts, F. Case, H. Birdsey, G. Cooper, A. J. Green, and ringers from Stony Stratford, Calverton, Passenham and Leckhamstead.

On Sunday, November 12th, 1922, for morning service, 168 Grand-sire Triples: H. Birdsey 1, A. J. Green 2, T. Roberts 3, F. Case 4, L. Smith 5, G. Cooper 6, T. Read 7, G. Green 8.—For evening service, the first part of 100's Ten-part peal: H. Birdsey 1, A. J. Green (conductor) 2, T. Roberts 3, F. Case 4, L. Smith 5, G. Cooper 6, E. C. Lambert 7, T. Read 8. All are local ringers except E. C. Lambert.

### PAID SERVICE RINGERS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir.—Your comments on above are true and just, but this matter requires more treatment even to aggressiveness.

Is it not insufferable and beyond all bounds of reason that ringers who receive payment shall by their actions deny progress to those that are not paid? Take a case in point. I know one ringer who has rung longer in a band than any other member without payment, and with what result? For years past little beyond 120 of Grandsire Doubles has been rung. Literature is banned from the tower; not one member belongs to an association, and all this at a tower containing a handy ring of eight in a town of 60,000 inhabitants. This unpaid ringer has stood his corner at all times where social and charitable matters have obtained in the company, and yet they seem to say and mean it too: 'You may come at our pleasure, but not at yours. If you want practice nights pay us; we cannot waste our time in such strenuousness.' Is it not time that associations recommended the clergy to act in these matters. If the parson does not do his duty he is quickly told to do it. The doctor may be paid something for his acts of mercy. The lawyer can be paid if he chooses, but the parson seldom and too often, never. This spirit of apathy, canker would be a better word, denies many a ringer that spirit of enjoyment that should be his, and certainly would be but for the want of a little more sense and justice. —Yours, etc.,

CHARLES DALTON FOTTER.

### BOYS' QUARTER-PEAL.

At St. Mary's Church, Acton, Middlesex, on Sunday, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), taken from 'Carter's Old Bob' peal, was rung in 42 minutes by the following band, whose average age is 17 years: A. H. Fulwell (age 16) 1, Robt. Fardon (18), conductor, 2, A. M. Stacey (16) 3, C. W. Roberts (18) 4, H. G. Wincote (18) 5, W. Rushon (16) 6, F. W. Goodfellow (17) 7, H. J. Hunnisett (18) 8. This was the first quarter of Stedman by ringers of the 1st, 3rd and 8th, and the first quarter in the method as conductor by Robert Fardon.

### NEW PEAL FOR MORETONHAMSTEAD. A DEVON RESTORATION.

Congratulation was the keynote of the address given by the Bishop of Exeter at St. Andrew's Church, Moretonhampstead, on Friday, Nov. 24th, on the occasion of the dedication of the peal of eight bells 'to the glory and service of God and in remembrance of the men of Moretonhampstead who gave their lives in the late war.' There was a crowded congregation, including friends of various religious denominations. After the address the Bishop of Exeter, together with the Rector and Messrs. A. Blackmore and M. S. Cox, the two churchwardens, proceeded to the western tower, and formally dedicated and handed over the peal to the Rector's safe keeping. The local ringers then rang a few rounds on the bells, which proved to be a very musical peal. The tenor is about 15 cwt. A representative band of the Devonshire Guild (Exeter branch) rang 504 Grand-sire Triples: W. J. Southwood 1, W. Drake 2, T. Bartlett 3, W. Leithbridge 4, F. J. Davey (conductor) 5, C. Glass 6, W. Richardson 7, F. Gardner 8, after which a touch of Stedman Triples was rung with Mr. J. Sheppard, of Swindon, as conductor, and Mr. Pyall, of Christow, ringing the tenor.

The following is the inscription on the bells:—

1.—When I call, follow me all.

2.—God save the King.

3.—God preserve the Church.

4.—Prosperity to this parish.

5.—James Pynes, D.D., Rector. James Pynes, gent., and Nicholas Lightfoot.

6.—Mears and Stainbank, Whitechapel Foundry, London. In loving memory of Elias and his wife Betsy, late of Lynacott, by their children, 1894. Mora Vestrea Vita Mea. Rev. W. C. Clark, Rector.

7.—In memory of the great war, 1914-1918. I am the voice of life. I call you come and pray.

Tenor.—Remember the men of this parish, who in the great war, 1914-1918, endured all, gave all. Live thou for England, they for England died.

The name of Pennington, as founder of the first five, and the date 1762 are preserved. In addition there are on the bells the names of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, who have recast and rehung the bells, and of the present Rector, the Rev. S. D. Dewey, and Messrs. A. Blackmore and M. S. Cox, the churchwardens, with the date 1922.

The work has been admirably done by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of the Croydon foundry, and reflects great credit on the Croydon firm. The tone and quality of the bells are much admired, and they are hung in a steel and iron frame of splendid workmanship. The cost of the restoration has been considerably over £1,000, and the whole has been cleared off, except a few pounds which it is hoped will be raised by Christmas.

### DEATH OF A ROCK FERRY RINGER.

The death occurred on Nov. 10th of Mr. John Thomas Howarth, a much-respected member of the band at St. Peter's Church, Rock Ferry, Cheshire, at the age of 70 years. The end came very suddenly. He arrived home from business apparently in his usual health, and had partaken of his evening meal. A short time afterwards he went upstairs prior to going out, but when he reached the top of the stairs he fell forward and expired almost immediately, the cause of death being heart failure.

The deceased joined the Rock Ferry band in January, 1918, and took part in the first quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles rung on the bells by an entirely local band, on May 1st, 1921. He had taken part in two quarter-peals of Grandsire Doubles, and also in a 720 of Plain Bob Minor, and was very regular and punctual in his attendance.

The funeral took place on Nov. 14th, the first portion of the service being held in St. Barnabas' Church, Rock Ferry, as St. Peter's Parish Church was closed for restoration. The interment took place in Bebbington Cemetery. There were many floral tributes, and amongst them was one from his fellow ringers at Rock Ferry.

The following touches were rung in the evening, with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect by his fellow ringers at St. Peter's, Rock Ferry, 720 of Grandsire Doubles: F. Banton 1, W. Dean 2, R. Fitzsimmons 3, E. Hughes 4, H. Martin (conductor) 5, H. Young 6.

On Sunday, Nov. 19th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes): F. Banton 1, W. Dean 2, H. Martin 3, E. Hughes 4, J. Cooke (conductor) 5, H. Young 6. Deceased is the first member the band has lost by death since the recasting and augmentation of the bells in 1914.

### THE PEAL AT SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL.

The first peal on the bells at Sheffield Cathedral since they have been rehung and returned by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank was rung on Saturday. It was the second attempt, the first having failed in the homing course, after ringing 3 hours 57 minutes, and all the bobs had been called. The peal was rung by the Cathedral Company of Sunday Service ringers, a performance that has not been equalled at this tower for over twenty years. It was also rung in honour of the 78th birthday of Queen Alexandra.



## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**KENSINGTON.**—On Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for evening service, at St. Mary Abbots, 1,287 Stedman Caters: C. W. Roberts 1, F. V. Sinkins 2, H. Dyas 3, H. G. Miles (conductor) 4, P. L. Miles 5, W. E. Judd 6, P. E. Clark 7, A. V. Selby 8, W. E. Garrard 9, G. W. Frayne 10.

**SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS.**—At the Parish Church, St. Mary's, for evening service, on Sunday, Nov. 5th, 720 Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: W. Allin, junr., 1, H. Dove (first 720) 2, R. Huskinson 3, W. Allin, senr., 4, G. Allin 5, G. Allin (first 720 as conductor) 6. First 720 at Sutton-in-Ashfield by an entirely local band, and all are Sunday service ringers.

**WINDSOR.**—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, for evensong, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peak of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 55 minutes: J. W. Croft 1, W. P. Cross 2, T. Smith 3, W. Henley 4, A. J. Harman 5, T. Farr (first quarter as conductor) 6, L. Stillwell 7, J. H. Cropley 8.

**CHELSEA.**—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, at St. Luke's Church, for evensong, a quarter-peak of Stedman Caters: W. H. Wood 1, H. H. Mance 2, H. S. Ellis 3, C. F. Mitchell 4, E. A. Reeve 5, C. W. Ottley 6, W. J. Dean 7, A. Newman 8, H. Mance (conductor) 9, W. Essery 10. Rung as a birthday compliment to ringer of treble.

**PORTSMOUTH, HANTS.**—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, for memorial service of British Legion, held at St. Mary, Portsea, 1,260 Stedman Triples, in 48 minutes, with the bells half-muffled: J. J. Symons 1, W. Tate 2, E. J. Harding, junr., 3, T. R. Taylor 4, F. W. Rogers 5, R. J. Stone 6, J. D. Harris (conductor) 7, E. J. Harding, senr., 8. —For evensong, same day, 448 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: J. J. Symons 1, J. D. Harris 2, W. Tate 3, T. R. Taylor 4, E. J. Harding, junr., 5, R. J. Stone 6, F. W. Rogers 7, E. J. Harding, senr. (conductor) 8.

**SHEFFIELD.**—At the Cathedral, on Sunday, Nov. 5th, for evening service, a quarter-peak of Stedman Cinqs (1,325 changes), in 59 mins.: G. Harrison (conductor) 1, G. Holmes 2, W. Lomas 3, W. Bugar 4, H. Thorp 5, J. Thorp 6, F. Ward 7, W. Chow 8, S. Palmer 9, R. Harrison 10, L. Charlesworth 11, H. Naylor 12. First quarter-peak of Cinqs as conductor.

**ST. PETER'S, TUNBRIDGE WELLS.**—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, for evening service, a quarter-peak of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes, from Thurstans): D. Vincent (first quarter in the method, and first attempt) 1, H. Markwell 2, F. White 3, Miss D. Orlebar 4, W. Collison 5, S. H. Green 6, W. Latter (conductor) 7, F. H. Ballard 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of those who gave their lives in the great war.

**RAINHAM, KENT.**—For evening service, on Nov. 5th, at St. Margaret's Church, 504 Grandsire Triples: W. Seager 1, F. Ockwell 2, R. Ockwell 3, H. Mantelaw 4, J. H. Champion 5, W. Rayner 6, C. Belsey (conductor) 7, A. Naylor 8. First 504 by local band.

**WEEKLEY, NORTHANTS.**—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor: C. Moore 1, Miss Kitty Moore (conductor) 2, R. G. Black 3, P. J. Lenton 4, A. Warren 5, R. F. Lawrence 6. First 720 as conductor, and first attempt.

**FULHAM.**—At the Church of All Saints, on Sunday, Nov. 5th, for evening service, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: R. A. Watts 1, A. Cutnor 2, G. C. Iles 3, F. H. Crook 4, J. W. Driver 5, A. Harding 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, H. A. Folkard 8.

**TIVERTON, DEVON.**—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, for morning service, a quarter-peak of 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: Mrs. Knowles 1, C. Knowles 2, E. Richards 3, R. Grater 4, F. Vincey 5, S. Every 6, F. Newcombe (conductor) 7, J. Ridd 8. First quarter-peak as conductor, and first for all except ringers of 4 and 7.

**CARSHALTON.**—At All Saints' Church, for evensong, on Sunday, Nov. 5th, in 43 mins., a quarter-peak of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): W. Buck 1, Mrs. Clark 2, J. W. Trappitt 3, T. Talbot 4, F. E. Darby 5, A. H. Bundle 6, F. Holder (composer and conductor) 7, C. H. Kippin, junr., 8. The ringers of 1, 6, 7 belong to the local band, the rest belong to St. Mary's, Beddington, where no ringing is done at present, owing to the tower being cracked.

**BEDDINGTON.**—At St. Mary's Church, for evensong, a quarter-peak of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 47 mins.: F. J. Trappitt 1, A. Arnold 2, \*Mrs. A. W. Clark 3, \*F. E. Darby 4, C. H. Kippin, junr., 5, J. W. Trappitt 6, A. J. Trappitt (conductor) 7, T. Talbot 8. \* First quarter-peak 'inside.'

**BARLBORO, DERBYSHIRE.**—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, for evening service, a 720 of Arnold's Victory: H. Hibbard 1, G. Ashby 2, P. Morris 3, H. Kirk 4, W. Sturman 5, P. Hibbard (conductor) 6. The first in the method by the local band.

**BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.**—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, for evening service, 336 Grandsire Triples: D. Goodman 1, W. Mead 2, F. Stanton 3, J. Mead 4, H. Sear (conductor) 5, E. Marks 6, F. Whitehead 7, C. Garner 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as was also the 'whole pull and stand' 32 times, representing the number of men who gave their lives in the war. Rung at the memorial service for Armistice Day.

**ACTON.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Nov. 12th, a quarter-peak of Grandsire Triples: Miss Hastie 1, H. Winote 2, S. D. Breeze 3, G. R. Ambrose (Gravesend) 4, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 5, P. Clarke 6, Robt. Fardon 7, E. Easton 8.

## REMEMBRANCE DAY.

**GLOSSOP.**—At St. James' Church, Whitfield, on Armistice Day, a quarter-peak of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 47 mins., with the bells deeply muffled: Jas. Buckley 1, Joe Marsden 2, Tom Jackson 3, F. Garside 4, B. Bradley (first quarter-peak) 5, Eli Garside 6, H. Bradley (cond.) 7, J. Lawton 8. During the afternoon, with the bells open, various touches of Kent and Stedman, with firing at intervals, by members of the Glossop Ringers' Association.

**HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HERTS.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Saturday, Nov. 11th, 1,260 Bob Minor, with the bells half-muffled, in 48 mins.: R. Walker 1, H. Gates 2, J. Floyd 3, W. Shepherd 4, W. Floyd 5, H. Golding (conductor) 6.

**BREDENBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.**—On Saturday evening, Nov. 11th, with the bells half-muffled, 720 Oxford Bob Minor: E. Tomkins 1, W. Watkins 2, A. Tomkins (conductor) 3, W. Mantell 4, H. Hodges 5, R. Bethell 6. Also 480 Bob Doubles, 180 Bob Minor, with the bells open: J. Passer 1, W. Watkins 2, E. Tomkins 3, W. Mansell 4, A. Tomkins 5, H. Hodges 6. Conducted by A. Tomkins.

**EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.**—On Tuesday, Oct. 31st, at Christ Church, for the opening of the memorial chapel, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, with the bells half-muffled: G. Hobbs 1, W. D. Smith 2, E. G. Baber 3, A. C. Pankhurst 4, A. K. Gower 5, G. W. Stokes 6, B. Hobbs (conductor) 7, E. Gower 8. Also 1,260 in the same method, with the bells open, on Nov. 1st: G. Hobbs 1, E. Gower 2, E. G. Baber 3, A. K. Gower 4, W. D. Smith 5, G. W. Stokes 6, B. Hobbs (composer and conductor) 7, F. G. Waymark 8.

**ELM.**—At the Church of All Saints, on Wednesday, Nov. 15th, a date touch of Bob Minor (1,922 changes), fully muffled, in remembrance of Armistice Day: S. Haaves (longest length) 1, A. Wigmore 2, G. Mason 3, J. Foster 4, B. Goglo (first touch as conductor) 5, F. Wigmore 6.

**STEYNING, SUSSEX.**—On Saturday evening, Nov. 11th, Armistice Day, Grandsire Triples and Doubles were rung, with bells half-muffled: R. Charman, W. B. Hills, H. Green, H. Phillips, G. Phillips, A. Hutchings (conductor), J. Mathews, A. Stiles, V. Charman, D. Hyde and B. Green taking part. A few courses were rung with bells upon for the final.

**ARMLEY, YORKSHIRE.**—On Tuesday, Nov. 14th, in 1 hour and 14 mins., at Christ Church, Armley, a date touch of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,922 changes): A. J. Coldrick 1, P. Whiteley 2, Frank Blackith 3, Fred Blackith 4, H. Blackith 5, J. Moorhouse 6, John Thackray (conductor) 7, Jos. Thackray 8. Longest length since the bells were augmented to eight.

**BEVERLEY.**—At the Minster, 1,007 Grandsire Caters, with the bells half-muffled, in memory of the fallen: R. Owen 1, A. Botham 2, C. P. Bradley 3, J. Braithwaite 4, F. Osgerby 5, C. G. Constable 6, A. E. Sellers 7, J. E. Constable 8, W. Middleton (conductor) 9, G. M. Daggett 10.

**BREWOD, STAFFORD.**—At the Parish Church, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peak of Grandsire Doubles (1,280 changes), in 50 mins., being 104 six-scores each called differently, and rung with 4, 6, 8 covering: 1, Walford 1, T. Perry 2, H. E. Booth 3, E. Speake 4, J. Perry (conductor) 5, H. Devey 6, A. G. Hunt 7, L. Swift 8. Rung after meeting short for Grandsire Triples.

**TILNEY, NORFOLK.**—On Nov. 11th, at the Church of All Saints, for 720 Bob Minor, with clappers muffled: T. Williamson 1, H. Baker 2, C. Donald 3, J. Emmerson 4, F. Rose 5, W. Rose, junr. (conductor) 6. Also 360, open: A. Wicks 1, H. Baker 2, C. Donald 3, J. Emmerson 4, W. Rose 5, F. Rose (conductor) 6.

**MALDON, ESSEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, with the bells muffled, 720 Bob Minor: H. J. Mansfield (conductor) 1, A. Mansfield 2, A. South 3, W. G. Mansfield 4, J. H. Waldo 5, F. Chalk 6. Rung after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal.

## SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

## ST. CHAD'S BELLS 'NOT AVAILABLE.'

A well-attended meeting of the Salop Archidiaconal Guild was held at Wellington, when ringers from Birmingham, Worcester, Shrewsbury, Ellesmere, Stanton, Coalbrookdale, Hadner, Malinslee, Sheriff-hales and Wellington, were present. After ringing during the afternoon, the Rev. F. Tennison (St. Alkmund's, Shrewsbury) presided over the business meeting, at which a letter was read stating that the bells of St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, would not be available for the annual meeting. The meeting addressed a letter to the Archdeacon expressing regret, and hoping that he would find it convenient to alter his decision. Failing this, it was decided to hold the annual meeting at Wellington, the most central tower in the area.

Malinslee and Dawley were selected for the next monthly meeting. The company then adjourned to the Y.M.C.A. Cafe, where an excellent tea was provided. Before leaving, two courses of Grandsire Caters were rung on the handbells. The company then returned to the tower, and some very nice touches of Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob and Bob Major were rung. To close a very pleasant meeting a touch of Stedman Caters was rung on the handbells.—A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the vicar for the use of the bells, and the local band for making the arrangements for the meeting.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. PRESTON BRANCH.

About 50 members of the Preston branch met at Walton-le-Dale, on Saturday, November 11th, for the purpose of unveiling two peal tablets of slate on oak backgrounds, beautifully designed and of excellent workmanship. One recorded a peal of Minor in seven methods rung in honour of Mr. Robert Woodhouse, who has taken an active part in church work, both in the choir and as churchwarden for upwards of half a century; the other recorded a peal, also in seven methods, to mark the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Robinson. Mr. Robinson has been sexton and a ringer for nigh on 60 years. All three were present, and took part in the proceedings of the afternoon.

During the afternoon a short service was held, at which Canon H. J. Elsee, President of the Association, gave an address, immediately after which as many as possible ascended to the ringing chamber where the Vicar (the Rev. W. Askwith) unveiled the two tablets and dedicated them.

Ringers and friends then adjourned to the Schoolroom, where an excellent tea was provided. The Vicar gave a hearty welcome to all present, and spoke of the long service and devotion to church work of the two gentlemen in whose honour they had gathered. — Mr. Woodhouse replied.

Votes of thanks were tendered to all who had so bountifully provided for the ringers, and especially to the ladies for their services and presence.

A short meeting to discuss the affairs of the branch was then held, the President occupying the chair.

The desirability of trying to arrange a combined meeting with the Fylde branch was discussed. Several spoke in favour of the proposal, and it was eventually unanimously agreed that the secretary should write to the Fylde branch and try to arrange such a meeting, suggesting Kirkham and January as a suitable place and time.

Congratulations were tendered to the band who recently scored a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at Whittle-le-Woods, especially to those who accomplished their first peal, and to the conductor who hails from a six bell tower.

During the afternoon and evening various Minor methods were rung, including Cambridge and London Surprise. The next meeting is the annual social at Chorley, notice of which will be given in due course, and the officials would like to see members of the association from other branches, with their wives and friends, especially those of the adjacent branches of Blackburn, Wigan and Bolton, to which Chorley is easily accessible. The only condition is that they send notice of their intention of being present in good time.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Bedford District was held at Bedford on Saturday, November 18th. A short service was attended by the members in St. Peter's Church, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. J. E. Gilbirt). Arranged by Miss D. Steel, tea followed in St. Peter's Hall.

At the business meeting, Mr. E. Herbert, of Woburn, was voted to the chair, and members were present from Turvey, Harrold, Clapham, Bromham, Kempston, Roston, Sandy, Clifton, Woburn, Willington, St. Paul's and St. Peter's, Bedford, and Thurlough. The secretary's report was presented, and four members of the committee were re-elected, Mr. P. Inskip, of Kempston, being elected in place of Mr. L. Orpin, who is in France.

After some persuasion, Mr. H. L. Harlow again undertook the secretaryship, and was cordially thanked for his past services.

Amongst the visitors were Miss Robinson (daughter of the late Rev. F. E. Robinson), and Mr. C. Dean, of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Croydon.

A vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, his address, and for the use of the hall, also to the ladies for waiting at the tea tables, and to the chairman, brought the meeting to a close.

The bells were kept going during the evening, various methods from Doubles to London Surprise being rung.

**BAGSHOT.** — On Tuesday evening, Sept. 12th at St. Anne's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins., by members of the Winchester Guild (Yorktown branch): Miss Margery Wood 1, J. Corbett 2, Miss Mabel Nye (conductor) 3, E. Barlow 4, C. Barlow 5, Q.M.S. G. Gilbert, R.E., 6, P. Nye 7, H. Hunt 8. The ringers of the 4th and 5th hail from Sandhurst, 6th from Aldershot, 8th from Yorktown, the rest were members of the local band. This is the first quarter-peal by the ringers of the 4th, 5th and 8th, and the first conducted by Miss Nye. It was rung as a farewell to the conductor, who is leaving the district.

**POOLSTOCK, LANCS.** — On Saturday, October 7th a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung, after meeting short for Double Norwich, by B. A. Knights (conductor) 1, E. Jenkins 2, E. Cutsforth 3, T. B. Worsley 4, J. H. Riding 5, T. Barlow 6, R. P. Deal 7, W. Busby 8. First quarter of Stedman by tenor man, whose age is 70 years.

## NOTICES.

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 8d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

— Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended. — J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.

— A meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 9th, at the Parish Church, Rotherham. Bells (10) ready at 3. Service at 5; preacher: the Rev. Canon Allen. Tea at 5.30 in the Parish Church Hall, Moorgate, at a reasonable charge. — F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 18, Royston Ave., Bentley Road, Doncaster.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Western Division.

The annual meeting of this division will be held at St. Michael's, Bishop's Stortford, on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells available 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m.; tea and business to follow at Chequers Hotel. — F. Dench, Hon. Dist. Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

— A meeting will be held at Garston on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells ready at 3.30. Service at 5.30. Tea and meeting 6. Members intending being present please send word to Sec., Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.

— A meeting will be held at Wigan Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells will only be available from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. Please turn up in large numbers. — J. Halsall, Sec.

## LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.

— The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Michael's, Bristol, on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells open from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.15 followed by tea and a business meeting, at which it is hoped every member will make a special effort to be present. The subscriptions for the current year should then be paid. Miss E. K. Parker hopes to attend this meeting. All ringers will be very welcome, and other bells will be available in the evening.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.

— A branch meeting will be held at St. Michael's Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, Dec. 9th, 1922. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Unveiling of Peal Tablet by the Rev. Canon Elsee, 3.30. Tea will be provided in the School at 5 o'clock. Will those intending to be present kindly send word early to Mr. A. Tomlinson, 57, Boxwood Street, Blackburn? A hearty invitation is extended to all ringers and friends. Meeting to follow tea. — J. Watson, Branch Sec.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.

— The Annual Branch social will be held at Chorley on Saturday, Dec. 9th. The bells of S. Mary's, R.C. (8), and the Parish Church (8) will be available from 2 o'clock. Tickets 2/6 each, inclusive of tea and entertainment. — W. Taylor, Branch Sec., Tower House, Penwortham.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Christchurch District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Christchurch on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5.30; tea and meeting afterwards.—G. Preston, Christchurch.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—A by-meeting of this Branch will be held at Chilvers Coton on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Bells available from 3.30 till 6 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The new peal of 8 bells of St. Aidan's, Black Hill, will be open to the Association all day on Saturday, Dec. 9th.—E. Ferry, Hon. Sec.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Mersham on Saturday, Dec. 9th. The bells (6) open for ringing 3.30. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea 5.45.—H. F. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Exeter Branch.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at St. David's Institute, Exeter, on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Service 4.30 p.m., Parish Church. Tea, 5 p.m., 9d. each; meeting and election of officers to follow. All ringers welcome. The following towers will be open from 2.30 p.m.: St. David's, St. Sidwell's, St. Petrock's, Heavitree.—J. C. Oke, Assist. Hon. Sec., 35, St. David's Hill, Exeter.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes, Dec. 11th; Bishopsgate, Dec. 18th; Sundays, St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—The subscription of 1/8, which enables members who have not attended 20 times in the past year, to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Dec. 21st; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 12th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 14th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 26th; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**BRISTOL.**—Social evening at St. Thomas' Church Room, Victoria Street, Bristol, on Tuesday, December 12th, at 7.30 p.m. Admission free. Collection to help a fellow ringer. Good musical programme. Ringers please attend, bring your wives and friends. Mr. H. T. Howell, Master of Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, in the chair.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at St. Joseph's Church, Ansdell (8 bells) on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Business meeting 5.30.—C. Sharples, Branch Secretary, 3, Rutland Gate, North Promenade, Blackpool.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—A Monthly ringing meeting for practice will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells available at 3 o'clock.—A. J. Skelding, Branch Sec., 7, Cecil Street, Stourbridge.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting, 6.30. All ringers welcome.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 31, Samuel Street, Middleton.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—The Annual meeting of this Division will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow (8 bells), on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Service at 5; tea and meeting to follow in Hall adjoining church. Will members requiring tea kindly advise me by the 11th inst., and oblige?—W. H. Theobald, Hon. District Sec., 49, The Portway, West Ham, E.15.

**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North East Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Tiverton, on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells available at 2.30. Service and address by the Rector at 4.45. Tea, 1/- each, in the Institute at 5.15. Will those requiring tea notify me by the previous Tuesday?—Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Bulwell, on Saturday, December 16th. Ringing from 4.30 to 8.30 p.m. Business meeting 6 o'clock.—T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Nottingham.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next meeting of the Bristol branch of the above Association will be held at Brislington, on Saturday, December 16th. Bells available from 3 p.m., service at 4.30 and tea to follow. Please notify by December 11th.—P. C. Williams, 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Luton District.—The annual meeting of this District will be held at Dunstable, on Saturday, December 16th. The bells will be available at 2.45 p.m. Tea and meeting at 5 p.m. It is hoped all members will try and attend this meeting. Visitors heartily welcomed.—A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Next meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 16th, at St. Mary's, Whitechapel. Ringing from 3.30 p.m. Service. Tea kindly provided by the Rector. To make the necessary arrangements, will all who intend coming let me know by the 14th? Business meeting after. Welcome to all.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Dis. Sec., 57, Market Street, W.2.

**DRIFHLINGTON, St. Paul's Church.**—Reopening of the Bells.—By the kindness of the Rev. T. M. Turnbull, Vicar, the Churchwardens and Ringers. The ring of bells (8) will be reopened on Saturday, December 16th. Originally cast by Messrs. Warner and Sons, of London, 40 years ago, have now been retuned and rehung on the latest principle by Messrs. J. Taylor & Co., of Loughborough. The bells will be available for ringing from 2 to 9 p.m., and a hearty invitation is given to all ringers on this occasion. Tea will be provided at 5 p.m., at a charge of 1s. 3d. each to all who notify Mr. A. Gascoigne, Cross Roads, Drighlington, not later than Tuesday, Dec. 12th. The order for ringing will be arranged as applications are received, so send in early.—A. Gascoigne, Sec., Cross Roads, Drighlington.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Northamptonshire Branch.—A meeting will be held at Cranford, on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells (6) ready 2.30. Service 4 o'clock. Tea 4.30. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Dec. 13th. Gentlemen cordially invited.—Cecil E. Hepburn, Hon. Sec., The Pines, Isham.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—Next meeting at Cheadle, Saturday, Dec. 16th.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—**

A meeting will be held at Corston, on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—**

A meeting of above will be held at Silkstone, Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells ready early. Tea will be provided for those who notify Mr. V. Horsfield, Sexton, Silkstone, near Barnsley, before Dec. 14th.—C. D. Potter, Secretary.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Isle of Wight District.—Annual Meeting will be held at Newport, Tuesday, Dec. 26th. Bells of Newport and Carisbrooke available. Particulars later.—W. Upton, Hon. Dis. Sec., 10, Elm Grove, Newport, L.W.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The next Quarterly meeting will be at Mansfield on Saturday, January 6th, 1923.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec.

**BRISTOL UNITED GUILDS' Second Annual Dinner** will be held at the Grand Hotel, Bristol, on Saturday, January 13th, 1923, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets should be booked at once from any Steward, Guild Secretary, or direct from Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's Hill, Bristol.

**ST. MARY'S ASSOCIATION, PUTNEY.**—Practice in future every Wednesday instead of as heretofore, 7.30 to 9 p.m. Friends and visitors heartily welcomed. Standard methods usual.—J. Herbert, Hon. Sec.

**TO PEAL ORGANISERS, Etc.**—W. E. Pitman, 31, Palace Street, Canterbury, will be pleased to be of service in any band on Bank Holidays to obviate any disappointment. Competent in Standard Methods, Superlative, Cambridge. Distance no object. Early invitation desirable.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

**PUBLICATIONS.**

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

**'GRANDSIRE DOUBLES & TRIPLES SIMPLY EXPLAINED.'**—Intended for Beginners and for those who find the ordinary books of instruction too technical. Price 6d., post free 6½d.; 5/9 a doz., post free, from I. Roe and M. Broome, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath.

**HORBURY, YORKS.**—On Monday, October 9th, at SS. Peter and Leonard, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,248 changes): J. Woffenden 1, G. Hunt 2, \*G. A. Pickles 3, H. Rowley (conductor) 4, G. Barstow 5, \*F. Lockwood 6, J. Smith 7, R. Thickett 8. Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. Ernest Carr, a former member of St. Peter's, and who was interred on this day. \* First quarter-peal in the method.

**COLMAN'S HATCH, SUSSEX.**—On Oct. 11th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 minutes: T. M. Potter 1, G. Hewitt 2, F. Gurr 3, H. Coomber 4, T. Tullett 5, R. Eado 6, J. Wren (conductor) 7, G. Loney 8, Messrs. Gurr and Eade hail from Withyham: Potter, Hewitt, Coomber, Tullett and Wren from East Grinstead: G. Loney belongs to the local band, this being his first quarter and first attempt.

**SITUATIONS WANTED.**

Ringer requires Situation, any suitable job will be accepted. Many years as **WAREHOUSEMAN**. Instructor on 6 and 8 bells, with little experience of 10, tower and handbells. Permanency preferred.—A. S. Morris, 5, King's Head St., Harwich, Essex.

Ex-C.Q.M.S., R.E. seeks employment as storekeeper, clerical work, or any position of trust. Married, family, aged 38, 6 years' exemplary army service, 10 years' wholesale and retail chemist's storekeeping, good change-ringer and able to instruct.—F. Precey, 2, Upton Lovel, Wilts.

**EGREMONT, CUMBERLAND.**—On Friday, Oct. 6th, for practice, at the Parish Church, 576 Double Norwich Court Bob Major. First in the method by all: Ben. Douglas 1, Benson Douglas 2, J. J. Spedding 3, Wm. Norman 4, Wm. Douglas 5, J. Roihery 6, Wm. Cook 7, G. W. Tembey (conductor) 8.

**NOTICE.**

TO THE CLERGY, RINGERS, AND ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Having had over 40 years' experience as Church Bell and Musical Handbell tuner, in succession to my father (Mr. H. W. Haley), I have decided to carry on the handbell business, and, therefore, respectfully beg to solicit your patronage.

I shall be pleased to execute any orders, however small, at reasonable charges, and guarantee satisfaction.

Prices for new bells, repairs, etc., will be furnished on application.

**WILLIAM HALEY,**

Author of the 'Bell Hymn Book,' Twelve Popular Airs, etc., etc.,  
50, CLARENDON ROAD, HOE STREET,  
WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.

**YORKSHIRE STONE.**

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,  
COVENTRY.**





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. AGGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowden Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDRIBB, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Gaversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..	4	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½in.	2¾in.	3½in.	3¾in.	4in.	4½in.	5in.
Price ...	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast.  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

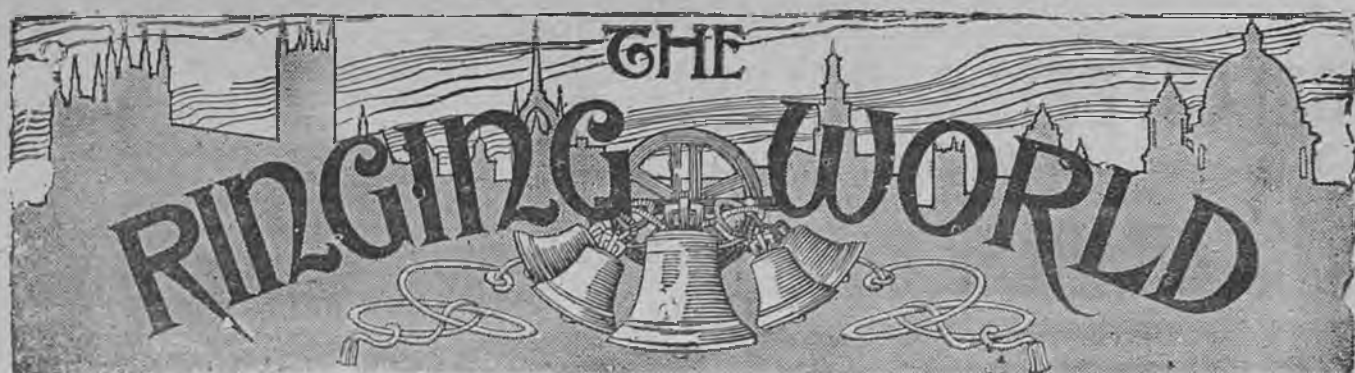
In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 35/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 613 Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

## BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### STEPS TO THE HIGHER METHODS.

The letter of a correspondent which we publish in another column, asking for advice as to which Surprise method is easiest for a band to start upon and how long it should be before the first plain course is rung, opens up an avenue for a wider discussion than that which strictly applies to the questions raised. Here is a company able to ring Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major. They desire to go on to Surprise ringing; what are the proper stepping-stones? It is quite certain that here is ground upon which ringers will be not all of one mind. The limited number of methods practised until recently, made the choice a very restricted one, and Superlative and Cambridge were practically the only route by which one could reach the higher level of London or Bristol, the former being still looked upon as the limit of intricacy in Major ringing.

Nowadays, however, there is a wider range of methods, and it is probably only the innate conservatism of the Exercise that retains in general practice Superlative as the first stage after Double Norwich and Treble Bob. We are not going to say that this method and Cambridge do not form the best steps of progression, but, while ringers of only a generation or so ago, had to rely solely upon these, ringers of to-day have a more varied choice of pathways to fame. There is an opening for some accomplished and unbiassed exponent of the art to write a treatise upon the subject of campanological progression, showing alternative routes from Plain Bob to London Surprise. The shortest may not necessarily be the easiest, for all ringers are not of equal ability. There are some men who need weeks of practice before they can thoroughly grasp a strange method, others who are gifted enough to start confidently for a peal with only a paper study of it. Our point, however, is this. The usual stage from Double Norwich to Superlative, with the change from regular coursing which is involved, or to Cambridge, with its omitted dodges and other pitfalls for the beginner, is too much for some ringers, and forms a stumbling-block to progress which they never surmount. It may be lack of confidence, it may be want of ability, but, whatever it is, there it is.

What we want is a treatise which will enable the least gifted to proceed step by step without difficulty to the higher methods, and such a thing is possible now, when there are quite a number of good methods available between the two extremes. It is not always a simple matter for a man who is a competent ringer, able to assimilate a new method with ease, to put himself in the place of a less able man and realise the difficulties which

(Continued on page 786)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

he finds in venturing into new fields. To many ringers who have done quite well, up to a stage, there is a very wide and a very real gulf between Double Norwich and Treble Bob and the Surprise methods, and it is for that reason we have said that Associations ought seriously to consider the question of sending out instructors to help bands with higher methods, just as now some of them send out men to teach Grandsire Doubles and Bob Minor.

### TWELVE BELL PEALS.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Abbey Church of St. Lawrence.

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 6280 CHANGES.**

Tenor 38½ cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... ..	Treble	*FREDK. W. BRINKLOW ...	7
GEORGE R. PYE ... ..	2	JAMES E. DAVIS ... ..	8
JOHN THOMAS ... ..	3	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ...	9
CHARLES T. COLES ... ..	4	† HAROLD W. CLARK ... ..	10
*FRANK I. HAIRS ... ..	5	REUBEN SANDERS ... ..	11
WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... ..	6	WILLIAM PYE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal of Cambridge Maximus. † 100th peal; also first peal of Cambridge Maximus away from the treble. This peal is the first in the method on 12 bells by the above Association.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS AND  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAXIMUS, 6016 CHANGES;**

THOMAS BALDWIN ... ..	Treble	CHARLES W. MARTIN ... ..	7
JESSE GILLET ... ..	2	WILLIAM IRELAND ... ..	8
JOHN AUSTIN ... ..	3	WILLIAM HASTINGS ... ..	9
ALBERT WRIGHT ... ..	4	FRANK COLE ... ..	10
CHARLES GARDNER ... ..	5	SYDNEY LIXTON ... ..	11
GEORGE CONDICK, SEN. ... ..	6	JOHN BALLINGER ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

Mr. Frank Cole's 100th peal.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 6003 CHANGES;**

JOSEPH MELLOR ... ..	Treble	HERBERT BARLOW ... ..	6
WILLIAM BRAMMER ... ..	2	CHARLES E. PLATT ... ..	7
JOHN BRIERLEY ... ..	3	ALBERT HOUGH ... ..	8
ISAAC SCHOFIELD ... ..	4	BENJAMIN THORP ... ..	9
SAMUEL M. BUTTERWORTH ... ..	5	ALBERT ADAMS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by BEN THORP.

This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. John Harrison, one of the local company, on his 70th birthday.

LIVERPOOL.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6081 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.

ERNEST JONES ... ..	Treble	CLAUDE I. DAVIES ... ..	6
JOHN WILKINSON ... ..	2	JAMES MARTIN ... ..	7
REGINALD O. STREET ... ..	3	EDWIN BREEZE ... ..	8
THOMAS HAMMOND, JUN. ... ..	4	EDWARD CAUNCE ... ..	9
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... ..	5	CHARLES PACKER ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES MARTIN.

Specially arranged and rung on the eve of St. Nicholas' Day. First peal of Stedman Caters by all the band. First ten-bell peal on the bells with the tenor rung single-handed, and first peal of Stedman Caters in this tower. It was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. G. Fisher and on the 28th anniversary of the conductor's wedding-day.

## LONDON.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Dunstan, Stepney, E.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 31 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. Treble	JAMES WILLSHIRE ... .. 6
JAMES SCHOLLES ... .. 2	EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 7
FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... 3	WILSON RUSHTON ... .. 8
THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 4	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 9
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 5	JAMES H. RUMLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Emanuel Hall, of Toronto, Ontario, also to Mrs. A. Symonds, of Lavenham. Rung on the anniversary of the birth of Mr. John Cox, born 1813.

## SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHGATE, SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
At CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

ALFRED R. GLASSCOCK ... Treble	WILLIAM PICKWORTH ... .. 6
NORMAN TOMLINSON ... .. 2	HARRY MILLER ... .. 7
GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... 3	JOHN E. MILLER ... .. 8
EDWARD J. TOMLINSON ... 4	SIDNEY WADE ... .. 9
GEORGE BESTER ... .. 5	ALFRED G. CRANE ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by SIDNEY WADE.  
Rung as a birthday peal to the conductor, also to the ringers of the 5th and tenor. First peal of Caters as conductor.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## LIVERSEDGE.

On Sunday, Nov. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

W. H. MITCHELL ... .. Treble	G. SCHOLEY ... .. 5
G. HUNT ... .. 2	H. DRAKEFIELD ... .. 6
W. H. SENIOR ... .. 3	T. NORTH ... .. 7
S. GIBSON ... .. 4	W. THOMAS ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. HARDY. Conducted by W. THOMAS.

## WARWICK.

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM MALE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM COLLETT ... .. 5
EDWARD H. ADAMS ... .. 2	FRANK PERVIN ... .. 6
WILLIAM T. COX ... .. 3	ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... .. 7
*ARTHUR J. HOBBS ... .. 4	*THOMAS HARRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK PERVIN.

\* First peal. Rung as a welcome to the Rev. E. S. Savage, late Canon of Newcastle, who was inducted Vicar of St. Nicholas on the previous Thursday.

## BRADING, ISLE OF WIGHT.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(ISLE OF WIGHT DISTRICT.)

On Monday, Dec. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART, No. 2.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

ARTHUR P. BRADING ... Treble	I. WAVELL PAIR ... .. 5
PHILIP S. PARKER ... .. 2	BERTRAM J. SNOW ... .. 6
† EDGAR SQUIBB ... .. 3	A. RICHARD WARD ... .. 7
EDWIN SIMMONDS ... .. 4	*ARTHUR T. BLOW ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. RICHARD WARD.

\* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Frank Chaffey, who has been a local ringer for many years, and Mrs. A. Barton, who were married in the afternoon. The ringers of the treble, 2nd, 6th and 7th hail from Ryde, Isle of Wight, the others are local men.

## WIDNES, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paul.

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr.

JOHN WILKINSON ... .. Treble	JOHN ALLEN ... .. 5
*FREDERICK J. HANCOCK ... 2	THOMAS JENNION ... .. 6
THOMAS HAMMOND, JUN. ... 3	GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 7
*REGINALD O. STREET ... 4	EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.  
\* First peal in the method, also first peal in the method on the bells.

## BUCKLAND, BERKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BERKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BROOKS' VARIATION.

Tenor 17 cwt.

HARRY HOLIFIELD ... Treble	RICHARD G. RICE ... .. 5
MRS. A. E. LOCK ... .. 2	ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 6
THOMAS SHORT ... .. 3	GORDON CAUDWELL ... .. 7
JAMES S. NAPPER ... .. 4	FRANCIS CARTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. LOCK.

\* First peal of Stedman on the bells.

## TONBRIDGE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

HARRY HARRINGTON ... Treble	HARRY GOODWIN ... .. 5
TOM SANDERS ... .. 2	GEORGE EDWARDS ... .. 6
GEORGE NEWMAN ... .. 3	CHARLES H. SONE ... .. 7
GEORGE BELL ... .. 4	LEWIS NEWMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by C. H. SONE.

## SAMBLESBURY, LANCS.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. LEONARD-THE-LESS,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt. in E.

BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... Treble	E. ROGER MARTIN ... .. 5
ALEC. MARTIN ... .. 2	FREDERICK HARWOOD ... .. 6
*JOHN T. BIMSON ... .. 3	WILLIAM TAYLOR ... .. 7
WILLIAM SHARPLES ... .. 4	EDWARD ARMSTRONG ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE LEWIS. Conducted by B. A. KNIGHTS.

\* First peal of Major.

## WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... Treble	HARRY HALL ... .. 5
DAVID G. WIGHTMAN ... .. 2	ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. 6
VICTOR E. KERRIDGE ... .. 3	*CHARLES BUTTON ... .. 7
JOHN GARRETT ... .. 4	JOHN HALL ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. LOCKWOOD. Conducted by D. G. WIGHTMAN.

\* First peal in the method.

## WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Dec. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE R. PYE ... .. Treble	CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 5
WILLIAM PYE ... .. 2	HARRY KILBY ... .. 6
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 7
CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by CHAS. T. COLES.



**BICENTENARY PEAL.**

STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Monday, Dec. 4, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S ONE-PART.

TRAVERS PRICHARD ... .. Treble	ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 5
HUBERT SCRIVENS ... .. 2	GEORGE ORCHARD ... .. 6
WILLIAM HASTINGS ... .. 3	† THOMAS PRICE ... .. 7
* THOMAS WITTS ... .. 4	* LESLIE BARRY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

Rung to commemorate the 200th anniversary of a peal in the same method on Dec. 4th, 1722. \* First peal. † First peal 'inside.'

**FORESTERS' PEAL.**

DEPTFORD, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Dec. 6, 1922, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At the Church of St. John the Evangelist.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. 0 qr. 18 lb.

BRO. EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. Treble	BRO. RICHARD MORGAN ... 5
(Court 'Pride of the City,' No. 3357, London United District)	(Court 'Lord Farnborough,' No. 4132, London United District)
BRO. JOHN J. LAMB, P.C.R. 2	BRO. SPENCER MARSHALL ... 6
(Court 'Prince of Wales,' No. 3334, London United District)	(Court 'Bowman's Lodge,' No. 2085, West Kent District)
BRO. EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. 3	BRO. GEORGE H. DAYNES ... 7
(Court 'Bowman's Lodge,' No. 2085, West Kent District)	(Court 'Lord Byron,' No. 3565, Greenwich and S.E. District)
BRO. HERBERT E. AUDSLEY 4	BRO. WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES... Tenor
(Court 'Bowman's Lodge,' No. 2085, West Kent District)	(Court 'England's Queen,' No. 3243, Greenwich and S.E. District)

Composed by BRO. EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

Conducted by WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES.

All are members of the Ancient Order of Foresters' Friendly Society.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCs.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Dec. 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH... Treble	WILLIAM RILEY ... .. 5
FRANK SHAW... .. 2	RUSHTON GRIMSHAW ... .. 6
MISS ELLEN SHAW ... .. 3	WILLIAM BARNES ... .. 7
JONATHAN WHEWELL ... .. 4	JAMES SHAW ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 159). Conducted by JAS. SHAW.  
Rung on the day of the consecration of the Memorial Chapel.

BINGHAM, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Dec. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

FRANK SPENCER ... .. Treble	JOHN W. KIRTON... .. 5
WILLIAM E. WHITE ... .. 2	SIDNEY PROCTOR ... .. 6
REV. C. J. STURTON ... .. 3	ARTHUR MACKEARS ... .. 7
WALTER WHITE ... .. 4	ARTHUR W. WARD ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by S. PROCTOR.

First peal on the bells, which have recently been rehung and augmented by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, the 'go' and tone being excellent.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

**GREAT REDUCTIONS.**

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

**DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.**

WITLEY, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.

ARTHUR J. BARTLETT... .. Treble	CHARLES CHILDS ... .. 5
DAVID AYLING ... .. 2	CHARLES BISH ... .. 6
EDWIN GALE ... .. 3	THOMAS ATTWELL ... .. 7
WILLIAM MOOREY ... .. 4	* ALFRED W. HOCKLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR J. BARTLETT.

\* First peal. † First peal 'inside' by the ringer of the 3rd, for whom it was rung as a farewell, and who is leaving in the New Year for Western Australia and will carry with him the best wishes of his brother ringers.

ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

HENRY JOHNSON'S VARIATION.

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb.

* PERCY H. SMITH ... .. Treble	JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. 5
WILLIAM BIBBY... .. 2	EDWARD JENKINS... .. 6
GEORGE H. RANGLES ... .. 3	JAMES MORGAN ... .. 7
ERNEST PALMER ... .. 4	HENRY W. WILDE ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by HENRY W. WILDE.

\* First peal in a Treble Bob method. First peal of Cambridge Surprise on the bells, also first in the method as conductor. H. W. Wilde's 200th peal.

LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH)

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,

In St. Hugh's Tower at the Cathedral,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt in D.

ISAAC VICKERS ... .. Treble	GEORGE CHESTER ... .. 5
GEORGE FLINTHAM ... .. 2	STANFORD J. WOLFE ... .. 6
TOM PYLE ... .. 3	CHARLES W. P. CLIFTON ... 7
CHARLES H. CHESTER ... .. 4	JOHN A. FREEMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by JOHN A. FREEMAN.

First peal in the method upon the bells and rung solely by the Cathedral company.

ROTHWELL, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

* ROBERT G. BLACK ... .. Treble	WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. 5
† HARRY PEET ... .. 2	ROBERT F. TURNER ... .. 6
CHARLES W. BIRD ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT ... 7
* ARCHIE HENMAN ... .. 4	DAVID J. NICHOLS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

* MRS. W. R. MELVILLE ... Treble	† HARRY BURDOCK... .. 5
MADRICE SMITHER ... .. 2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 6
HENRY HUTTON... .. 3	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7
† ERNEST WEATHERBY... .. 4	ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Bob Major. 150th peal. This peal was arranged and rung by past and present members of the Holy Trinity Society as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Melville on the occasion of their silver wedding.

BIDDENDEN, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

DR. A. B. CARPENTER'S VARIATION OF HOLTS' ORIGINAL.

Tenor 25 cwt.

MRS. H. BAKER ... ..	... Treble	HARRY BAKER ... ..	5
GEORGE BILLENNESS ... ..	2	EDWARD R. BURGESS ... ..	6
FREDERICK G. BURDEN ... ..	3	BENJAMIN BAKER ... ..	7
CHARLES TRIBE ... ..	4	*ERNEST VICKERS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

\* First peal and first attempt.

STEYNING, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

FRANK BENNETT ... ..	... Treble	HENRY STALHAM ... ..	5
BERT CHALLEN ... ..	2	LIONEL SEARS ... ..	6
PERCY DOICK ... ..	3	HARRY PARKES ... ..	7
*JAMES BURDFIELD ... ..	4	†ARTHUR V. STILES ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal of Stedman. † First peal.

PENTRE RHONDDA, GLAMORGANSHIRE.  
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb.

JOHN W. JONES ... ..	... Treble	FREDERICK LASBURY ... ..	5
HERBERT DAVIES ... ..	2	JAMES CROSS ... ..	6
HARRY PAGE ... ..	3	TOM PAGE ... ..	7
ALBERT J. PITMAN ... ..	4	WILLIAM PAGE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by TOM PAGE.

YOULGREAVE, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 26½ cwt.

WILLIAM TAYLOR ... ..	... Treble	FRED W. HILL ... ..	5
WILLIAM LAMBERT ... ..	2	ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... ..	6
CHARLES MASON ... ..	3	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... ..	7
THOMAS RILEY ... ..	4	JOHN FLINT ... ..	Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

First peal of Major on the bells.

LEICESTER.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
On the Royal Memorial Bells of St. John the Divine,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5036 CHANGES;**

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 21 cwt.

*J. WILLIAM REYNOLDS ... ..	... Treble	THOMAS H. VALLANCE ... ..	5
*FRED KILBORN ... ..	2	*WILLIAM ALDRIDGE ... ..	6
*MISS HILDA WILLSON ... ..	3	E. HARRY STONELEY ... ..	7
*L. WILLIAM JACQUES ... ..	4	WILLIAM WILLSON ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

*FRANK BALLARD ... ..	... Treble	FREDERICK WHITE ... ..	5
*BERNARD COLLISON ... ..	2	†ALEC RICHARDSON ... ..	6
GEORGE THOMPSON ... ..	3	HERBERT MARKWELL ... ..	7
WILLIAM COLLISON ... ..	4	WILLIAM LATTER ... ..	Tenor

Composed by F. E. W. MEADOWS. Conducted by WM. LATTER.

\* First peal in any method. † First peal with 'inside' bell.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(WIRRAL BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, Nov. 29, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and two 720's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qr.

*ERIC H. LLOYD ... ..	... Treble	JAMES R. GRIFFIN ... ..	4
JOHN GREASLEY ... ..	2	THOMAS A. ROGERS ... ..	5
*EDWARD F. PARRY ... ..	3	JOHN A. WEBSTER ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JAMES R. GRIFFIN.

\* First peal and first attempt. First peal on the bells by an entirely local band. Rung on the 11th anniversary of the consecration of the church and bells.

PRISTON, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Nov. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Luke,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 12 six-scores of Plain Bob & 30 of Grandsire. Tenor 14½ cwt.

*CLIFFORD BRIMBLE ... ..	... Treble	WILLIAM ROSEWELL ... ..	4
GILBERT DANDO ... ..	2	FRANK F. FLOWER ... ..	5
ALBERT E. B. HEAL ... ..	3	*WILLIAM WINCESOR ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by FRANK F. FLOWER.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor.

OVERBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Faith,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

OLIVER ATTWOOD ... ..	... Treble	JAMES HEMMING ... ..	4
*GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... ..	2	WILLIAM RANFORD ... ..	5
SIDNEY T. HOLT ... ..	3	CHARLES CAMM ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by C. CAMM.

\* First peal in seven methods 'inside.'

BREDON'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford & Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt.

OLIVER ATTWOOD ... ..	... Treble	JOSEPH D. JOHNSON ... ..	4
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... ..	2	SIDNEY T. HOLT ... ..	5
WILLIAM RANFORD ... ..	3	CHARLES CAMM ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by S. T. HOLT.

KILMERSDON, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's.

Tenor 21 cwt.

*ERIC CHIVERS ... ..	... Treble	WILLIAM ROSEWELL ... ..	4
FRANK F. FLOWER ... ..	2	THOMAS M. GRIFFIN ... ..	5
GERALD F. GRIFFIN ... ..	3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

First peal on the bells. \* First peal of Minor.

DEPTFORD, KENT.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, on Oct. 9th: H. James (Lee) 1, G. Simmonds (Lewisham) 2, J. Hurrell (Eltham) 3, J. Dafters (Lee), first quarter, 4, J. J. Lamb (Greenwich) 5, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 6, E. B. Crowder 7, T. A. Easterby 8.

EPPING, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 11 cwt.

WILLIAM WEDLOCK ... .. Treble	STANLEY CLARK ... .. 4
LEWIS CORDELL ... .. 2	WILLIAM WHEELER ... .. 5
VINCENT TIPTON ... .. 3	HARRY SMALE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY SMALE.

First peal in the method by all.

KILNDOWN, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Kent Treble Bob, College Single and Oxford Bob,  
and two each of Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

FRANK PATTENDEN ... .. Treble	ANDREW MARSHALL ... .. 4
ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. 2	GEORGE WAGHORN ... .. 5
ALBERT RELFE ... .. 3	JAMES WAGHORN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. RELFE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

REEPHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, HACKFORD,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 9½ cwt. in A.

MATHEW TIMBERS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. WASEY ... .. 4
WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 2	WALTER J. FORD ... .. 5
FREDERICK J. BARBER ... .. 3	TONY PRICE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

LITTLE WALDINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.  
THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN  
ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 5, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

In 10 different callings.

B. CORNELL ... .. Treble	W. FAYERS ... .. 3
W. HEAD ... .. 2	H. DAY ... .. 4
J. MARTIN ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by J. MARTIN.

Rung with the bells deeply muffled after the funeral of Colonel A. St. Leger Glyn (Churchwarden), and in deep and respectful sympathy.

LINCOLN.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, Dec. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 9½ cwt.

WILLIAM H. LLOYD ... .. Treble	JAMES WATTERSON ... .. 4
GEORGE CROMPTON ... .. 2	WILLIAM BETTLES ... .. 5
* FREDERICK W. WALKER ... .. 3	RICHARD T. SHARPE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. LLOYD.

\* First peal.

PATRINGTON, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(EASTERN DISTRICT)

On Thursday, Dec. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Killamarsh and three 720's each of Oxford and Kent.

GEORGE DOWLING ... .. Treble	HARRY RODMELL ... .. 4
GEO. F. WILLIAMS ... .. 2	LEONARD RODMELL ... .. 5
JAMES S. CALVERT ... .. 3	ARTHUR E. WEST ... .. Tenor

Conducted by LEONARD RODMELL.

First peal on the bells. The band wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells, and the steeplekeeper for having everything in readiness.

SANDHURST, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(SONNING DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Thursday, Dec. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge, Canterbury, York & London Surpr  
Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

CYRIL W. BARLOW ... .. Treble	ERIC H. BARLOW ... .. 4
GEORGE A. RICHES ... .. 2	GEORGE ENGLEFIELD ... .. 5
CHARLES DOE ... .. 3	JOHN MOTH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN MOTH.

First peal in seven methods by all except ringer of the 3rd and 1  
conductor. All belong to the local band.

WADHURST, SUSSEX.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Dec. 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

RICHARD B. LAMBERT ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, JUN. 4
ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. 2	SAMUEL T. WALLIS ... .. 5
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT ... .. 3	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

**HANDBELL PEAL.**

OLD HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. A. E. PARSONS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 1-2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7-8
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 3-4	ALBERT WALKER ... .. 9-10
FRANK W. PERRENS ... .. 5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 11-12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT E. NORMAN.

Referee: MR. ALBERT E. PARSONS.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Monday, Dec. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
AT 17, BEDFORD ROAD, THE RESIDENCE OF MR. W. R. MELVILLE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 14 in D.

WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... .. 1-2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	MRS. W. R. MELVILLE ... .. 7-8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witnesses: Miss JESSIE MELVILLE, Miss PHYLLIS COX and  
Mrs. A. H. PULLING.

Rung on the 25th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Melville's wedding-day.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting of the Ashford District was held at Biddenden on Saturday, Nov. 25th, about 30 members attending, including a strong contingent from Brabourne. Touches in the four standard methods were brought round, the striking being 'par excellence.' The Rector (the Rev. Collis) officiated at the service, and tea was served at the Red Lion Hotel, the Rector presiding.—In reply to a vote of thanks, he gave a cordial welcome to all, and hoped they had found their newly restored peal satisfactory, both as to tone and 'go.'—It was worthy of note that three lady members of the district took part in touches of Grandsire Triples, viz., Mrs. Gatehouse, Mrs. Baker, Miss Thomas. The members were sorry to miss their old friend, Mr. L. Honess. There were signs that he is sadly missed and wanted, as he did so much for the cause at Biddenden, where there appears to be no Elisha to take his place, but it is hoped Biddenden's loss will be Wingham's gain.

**BIRTHDAY RINGING.**

At Wooburn, Bucks. on Saturday, Dec. 2nd, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples was made, but unfortunately, after about 20 minutes' good striking, the peal failed. The ringing had been arranged for a birthday compliment to A. Hoing and F. Boxall. A quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes) was afterwards rung by A. Hoing 1, J. W. Wilkins (composer and conductor) 2, G. Twilchen 3, F. Boxall 4, E. Markham 5, E. R. Coles 6, J. Blackmore 7, C. Mayne 8. First quarter-peal by the ringers of 6th, 4th and treble.

**LADIES' GUILD.****SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT BRISTOL.**

The quarterly meeting of the Western Branch of the Ladies' Guild was held at St. Michael's (City), Bristol, on Saturday, when there was a large attendance, including Miss E. K. Parker (general hon. secretary), and visitors from Devizes, Cardiff and Burnham-on-Sea, twenty towers being represented. During the afternoon touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Minor were rung. The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. W. G. Arrowsmith), and immediately after the visitors adjourned to the Boys' Club for tea.

The Rector said how much pleasure it gave to them in St. Michael's to welcome the members of the Guild and their friends, and he hoped they would all come again.—Mr. W. A. Cave, on behalf of the Guild, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector, and to the organist and choirboys for their services.

During the evening a large number visited St. Philip's and rang touches of Cambridge, Stedman and Double Norwich.

Miss Parker presided at the business meeting, and expressed her pleasure at being with them in Bristol once more.—The secretary and committee of four were re-elected, and Mrs. Harvey and Mrs. Wilkins were chosen to represent the Western District on the general committee.

Miss Parker said she very much hoped that representatives of the district would be able to attend the next annual general meeting, which would probably be in London in July.

Portishead and Mangotsfield were both proposed for the next quarterly meeting, and, Mangotsfield being chosen, it was left to the secretary to arrange this if possible on either the first or second Saturday in March.—One new member was elected, viz., Miss Nellie Moulding, of Stratton St. Margaret's. Miss Williams, who has lately come to live in Bath, was given a hearty welcome to the district.

**KELVEDON RINGER'S DEATH.**

The Kelvedon, Essex, company have lost by death one of their young members, Mr. E. J. Dale, who passed away at the age of 20 years. The funeral took place on Saturday, and on Sunday evening, at St. Mary's Church, 720 Boh Minor was rung with the bells half-muffled: G. Mayes 1. W. Keeble (conductor) 2. G. Hayward 3. J. Elliott 4. L. W. Wiffin 5. W. Elliott 6. This was followed by 360 in the same method, with E. Bone 5, and the ringing concluded with the 'whole pull and stand' rung twenty times. Much sympathy is felt with the deceased's family. His father and brother are ringers at St. Mary's Church.

**MEDIAEVAL BELLS AND THEIR FOUNDERS.****A BELL LECTURE TO SHEFFIELD C.E.M.S.**

At the meeting of the Handsworth (Sheffield) branch of the C.E.M.S. on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 3rd, when about 50 members and friends attended, a paper on Mediaeval Bells and their founders was given by Mr. A. T. Baker, who dealt with the subject in a very interesting and comprehensive manner, the lecture being illustrated by a number of sketches of old bells, founder's marks, shields, crosses, stops, types of lettering, and decorations. He described the evolution from the long-waisted hemispherical bell of the 13th century, to the more compact form of bell in the 20th century, pointing out that this change came about very slowly and unobservedly from the 14th century, and had been achieved almost unconsciously. It was undoubtedly caused by the introduction of scientific change ringing, for which bells of present form were more adapted than the old long-waisted bells.

Mr. Baker showed how an approximate date could be given to bells without inscription or other distinguishing marks, and explained how, by a knowledge of the various marks used by the Metropolitan and provincial mediaeval founders, we may with safety attribute a bell to its origin, and obtain an approximate date of founding. The style of type used on 13th, 14th and 15th century bells, respectively, Roman, Lombardic, and black letter, were excellent criteria in allocating bells to their proper period, though overlapping caused some little trouble to the uninitiated. For example, at Whiston, where there are two genuine mediaeval specimens, cast by John Danyeld, of London, and royal bell founder (1450-1461), these bells proudly displayed the royal coat-of-arms. On the other hand, confusion sometimes existed, as in the 4th at Thrybergh, which bear the royal head stamps used by John Rufford, of Toddington, who was appointed bell founder to Edward III. in 1367, but this bell was cast by Henry Dand, of Nottingham, in 1586, who seems to have used any of the old stamps that had come into his possession from his predecessors, for on this same bell was also the shield of the last of the mediaeval founders in Notts, i.e., Mellows. The chief tell-tale characteristic, however, was the initials of Dand, 'H.D.', in fine Lombardic capitals, which goes to prove conclusively which of the three was the actual founder. The speaker also went on to show how Dand's work was probably mistaken for pre-Reformation more than any other founder's, owing, no doubt, to his habit of using any scrap of mediaeval alphabet, etc., that he could lay his hands on to 'decorate his bells.'

The lecture was greatly enjoyed by all present, and proved the important part bells had played in our church for many generations, and the priceless value of some of these old relics.

# JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

### THE

# LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES. MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

A two-hundredth anniversary is a rare occurrence in the history of change ringing—we have not yet got to the period when bicentenaries are frequent—and it is interesting to hear that the early Stroud performance was commemorated by a peal in the same method. But for the attention called to the anniversary in these columns, we believe the event would have passed unnoticed.

A peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus on Saturday completed a very interesting sequence for the Heriford County Association, which has now to its credit peals of Minor, Major, Royal and Maximus in this method. Can any other association claim a similar performance? We have doubts.

As will be seen from our notice columns, the Middlesex Association meeting at Stanmore, which was to have been held on Saturday, has been postponed. It had been intended to hold it in conjunction with the reopening of the bells, which have been increased from six to eight, but it now appears that one of the old bells was found to be cracked, and is to be recast, so that the dedication could not take place on the date fixed. It is hoped that the work will be completed before Christmas.

The order to recast and hang in a new cast-iron frame, the peal of eight at Gravesend, Kent, has been placed with Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough. Congratulations to Mr. 'Ted' Hadlow, who has been successful in collecting £400 towards the Restoration Fund. It is hoped to have the new peal in by Easter.

In the effort to set up record lengths, one of the earliest twelve-bell achievements, was at St. Saviour's, Southwark, where on Monday, December 15th, 1735, a peal of 8,008 Grandsire Cinques, 'being the longest peal that has ever been done on 12 bells,' was rung in 6 hours 25 mins. There were three men to the tenor, and Benjamin Annable called the bobs.

At Christ Church, Spitafields, where there are now only eight bells, a peal of 5,886 Stedman Cinques was rung on Dec. 15th, 1806. The peal of twelve perished in the fire that destroyed the church.

The first peal in South Africa was rung at Woodstock on Dec. 15th, 1904.

A peal of Canterbury measure Major was rung for the first time on December 17th, 1888, at Warnham, Sussex, where in the following March a 13,440 in the same method was rung.

On December 19th, 1853, the first peal of Stedman Triples ever rung double-handed, was accomplished at the 'Three Kings,' Clerkenwell, by John Cox 1-2, Thomas Powell 3-4, H. W. Haley 5-6, Thomas Brittan 7-8. It was witnessed by 19 members of the College Youths and the Cumberlands, but the composition was afterwards, we believe, condemned as false.

The six bells of Benington, Lincs, are rung for both services on Sundays by six members of the same family, consisting of Mr. J. W. Lakin (father), three sons and two daughters, one aged 14 and the other 12 years. The girls have only been taught to handle a bell during the last six weeks, but ring rounds and queens quite creditably, and, as the father and brothers are change ringers, no doubt we shall hear more about them in the future.

A dinner to honour the memory of William Doubleday Crofts, who was a pioneer of change ringing in Nottingham, and who died in 1809, is to be held in Nottingham on January 27th.

A peal of Stedman Caters, the first on the bells, was rung at St. Nicholas' Church, Liverpool, on Tuesday week. The previous peal in the method in Liverpool was rung at St. Peter's Church on March 13th, 1888. The peal last week was the more noteworthy from the fact that it was the first in the method by all the hand. The bells have never had an enviable reputation, but the peal was excellently rung.

A curiosity about the old bells at St. Nicholas' Church, Brighton, which Messrs. Gillett and Johnston have just recast, was that the 7th was a heavier bell than the 8th. They were both cast by Thomas Rudhall at Gloucester in 1777, the 7th being 9 cwt. 0 qr. 4 lb., and the 8th 8 cwt. 3 qr.

We understand the two new bells for Exeter Cathedral have already been cast at the Loughborough Foundry, but it is doubtful if it is possible to get them open before Christmas.

## PAINSWICK RINGER'S CENTURY.

Mr. Frank Cole completed his one-hundredth peal on Saturday, December, 9th, 1922. He has rung all the bells at Painswick to a peal. He also rang the tenor to the first peal of Bob Maximus on the bells, and took part in 6,335 changes Grandsire Cinques in 4 hrs. and 24 minutes, another of 7,325 in 5 hours, and the record of 13,001 Grandsire Cinques in 8 hours 45 minutes. By a coincidence he rang his one-hundredth peal on the same bell as his first. His peals are: Grandsire Doubles, 8; Triples, 38; Caters, 25; Cinques, 14; Bob Minor, 5; Major, 4; Royal, 3; Maximus, 2; Stedman Cinques, 1.

**BRIGHTON'S NEW PEAL OF TEN.****REVIVAL OF AN OLD CUSTOM.**

The dedication of the recast peal of ten bells at St. Nicholas Church, Brighton, took place on Tuesday in last week, and the tower is now in possession of a very fine ring.

The bells, which have all been recast on the 5-tone Simpson principle, the tenor having been increased in weight to 18 cwt., note E, have been rehung in a steel and iron frame with new fittings throughout, including ball bearings to the gudgeons and rope rollers and screw cap greasers to the clapper tops. Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, who have carried out the work in a characteristically efficient manner, are to be congratulated on the 'go' of the bells, while the perfect musical tone is much appreciated.

Following an old custom, the bells have been named, and old inscriptions have been reproduced upon them.

Treble: GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO.

2nd: GABRIEL. Ave Maria.

3rd: MARY. Magnificat.

4th: ST. JOHN. In principio.

Fear God, Honour the King.

5th: ST. PETER. Tu es Christus.

Peace and Good Neighbourhood.

6th: ST. PAUL. Gratias Deo.

7th: ST. GEORGE. Pray for England.

8th: ST. WILFRID. Pray for Sussex.

9th: ST. RICHARD. Pray for this Diocese.

Tenor: ST. NICHOLAS. Pray for our Children. Pray for our Sailors. Pray for this Town.

I to the Church the living call.

And to the Grave do summon all.

It is interesting to note the origin of the three last names. St. Wilfrid brought the Gospel to Sussex in 681. St. Richard was Bishop of Chichester, 1245. St. Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, 325, is the patron saint of children, of sailors, and of the church, which for centuries was the parish church of Brighton (formerly Brightelmston) until this dignity was transferred to the more modern and larger church of St. Peter.

**THE DEDICATION.**

The dedication service on St. Nicholas' Eve was preceded by even-song, and an address by the Bishop of Lewes, who told of the message of the bells. 'And what a message they have for this modern town of Brighton!' said his lordship. 'It is splendid that the bells should share in the revival of Church life, for I am old enough to remember when belfry and ringers were often a scandal to the Church.' All that is changed to-day, but the bells still have their message. In this church of the saint of the sailor, the children and the poor—the oldest landmark in Brighton—the bells have looked down through the ages. They have looked down through the centuries upon the little fishing village that has grown into a modern town of pleasure—aye, of pain, too. No doubt when Brighton was attacked in 1513, and again in 1545, the bells of St. Nicholas rang out the alarm to call the people from the countryside. They also called the old fisherfolk to prayer and worship, and shared in the joys and sorrows of the Brighton of that day. A city set on the hill cannot be hid, and for all time St. Nicholas will stand as the old historic church of Brighton, and as she bears witness to the faith of ages, so must the lives of those who worship there bear their witness too. 'God give us grace to echo back the message of the bells—glory to God on high, and on earth peace and goodwill to men.'

The opening touch was rung by the St. Nicholas Society: W. Palmer 1, A. York Bramble 2, R. Stredwick 3, H. Rann 4, F. Tindall 5, G. Ades 6, F. Bennett 7, F. Palmer 8, C. Palmer 9, J. Jay 10; and after the service the bells were rung by visitors from various parts of the country, the methods including Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Treble Bob Royal.

The following day, being St. Nicholas' Day, a peal of Stedman Caters was attempted, but came to grief after two hours' good ringing. The ringers were: W. Palmer 1, J. Jay 2, R. Stredwick 3, H. Rann 4, G. Ades 5, Cyril F. Johnston (Croydon) 6, F. Bennett (conductor) 7, A. J. Turner (Lewes) 8, C. Palmer 9, G. Bleach 10; and in the evening further ringing took place by the local company and visitors.

**MR. H. W. CLARK'S 100 PEALS.**

Cambridge Surprise Maximus, 7; Treble Bob Maximus, 1; Stedman Cinques, 9; Middlesex Surprise Royal, 2; Cambridge Surprise Royal, 4; Treble Bob Royal, 3; Stedman Caters, 8; London Surprise Major, 7; Bristol Surprise Major, 5; Cambridge Surprise Major, 1; Superlative Surprise Major, 3; Double Norwich Major, 2; Treble Bob Major, 5; Stedman Triples, 22; Grandsire Triples, 15; total, 100.

**EXETER.**—At St. David's Church, on Monday, Nov. 27th, 504 Grandsire Triples: Miss Knight 1, Mr. F. Davey (conductor) 2, C. Carter 3, W. Arberry 4, J. Oke 5, W. Lethbridge 6, J. Moss 7, F. Gardner 8.

**MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL BELLS.****PROPOSED RESTORATION AND RECASTING.**

The monthly meeting of the Manchester branch of the Lancashire Association was held at the Town Hall, Manchester, on Saturday, December 2nd, when a large body of ringers was present. The methods rung included Cambridge Surprise Royal.

At the business meeting, Mr. J. W. Washbrook, senr., was voted to the chair, and strongly impressed upon those present to go in for good striking, as nothing appealed to the public outside more than to hear bells well rung.

The Cathedral was selected for the next meeting, on Saturday, January 13th, but it was pointed out by Mr. W. C. Bridgeford that, owing to the bells going badly, they were on the point of being rehung and possibly recast. It was, therefore, proposed that, failing their being available, the meeting be held at Miles Platting.

Votes of thanks to the authorities, the local ringers, and the chairman, brought the meeting to a close, and touches on the handbells were indulged in till a later hour.

**A 'TAX' ON PEALS.****THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION'S POSITION.**

When the article in our last issue on the above subject was written, we had not before us any particulars relating to the circumstances which led up to the discussion of the subject at the district meeting of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association. By the kindness of the hon. secretary (Mr. A. L. Coleman) we have since been furnished with a copy of a circular issued to the members of the association. The reasons advanced for suggesting a charge of a shilling per peal were put forward on the very grounds which we discussed in our article, viz., the large increase in the number of peals which throws a heavy financial strain upon the association in printing the records in detail in the annual report.

The committee of the association have decided to retain the present form of printing peals in the annual report, but to meet the deficit on the accounts which is likely to result the decision to impose the charge was come to. The circular announcing the decision concludes:—

'At the moment it is left to the good feeling of men who have rung peals, whether they pay for those already scored this year, but after the receipt of this circular we hope they will help us in the way indicated, by supporting us in the liabilities we have accepted in continuing the printing of peal records as hitherto.'

**THE WAY TO SURPRISE RINGING.****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—I should like to ask your advice about the taking up of a Surprise method. I suppose it would have to be either Cambridge or Superlative. Now, which of the two would you consider to be the easier for an ordinary company, who ring for two services on each Sunday, have a weekly practice, and who already ring Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major? After deciding on which method to aim at, there would be at least some written instructions handed to each member to digest at home before anything could be done in the belfry. Now, specially, I want to ask, how long should it be, after receiving what instructions can be given, before practice is attempted; and how long ought it to be, after this first practice, before the first 'plain course' is achieved?

Any advice that can be offered will be gratefully received by  
**WILLING TO LEARN.**

Opinions will probably differ as to which is the easier method to learn, Superlative or Cambridge, although the former is the one usually first tackled. Personally, we think there is very little to choose. Each has its difficulties and pitfalls for the beginner, and especially for a band comprising men entirely new to Surprise ringing. Our advice, for what it is worth, is, fix upon one—no matter which—study not only the work of one bell, but the manner in which the work of each bell fits with rest; in other words, get a knowledge of the whole plan of the method.

As to how long it should be before practice begins, and before a plain course is achieved, that, surely, is a matter which depends entirely upon the human factor; upon the mental capacity, and the keenness of the ringers. If they mean business, a week's study, and, say, a couple of evenings' practice ought to see them through a course, if they will apply all their knowledge of Treble Bob, and especially of Double Norwich to the fresh method, and not look upon it as a thing which has no relation to that which they have rung before.—Ed. 'R.W.'

**A LONG DELAYED ACHIEVEMENT.**

Some of the bells at Ringwood, Hants, date from 1763, but the first quarter-peal on the bells by a local band has only just been rung. This was Grandsire Triples, on December 5th, and it was rung in 48 minutes by W. Johnson 1, F. Green 2, G. Street 3, E. Hendley 4, E. Whitfield 5, E. Green 6, W. Cheater (conductor) 7, E. Bradford 8. First quarter-peal by the ringers of the 2nd and 3rd (age 16).

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

## WHY NOT A REFERENDUM?

## NORWICH CLAIM TO OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF SUFFOLK RINGERS

To the Editor.

Sir,—Your correspondent, the Rev. H. B. Woolley, in his letter in last week's issue, entirely misrepresents the case. 'Norwich' does not, of course, claim to be the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association; but the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association, which is a union of two separate diocesan associations—the Norwich, and the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich—does claim to be entitled to style both its branches diocesan.

And what right have the Suffolk members of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association to this title? The right, that they embrace in their diocesan branch the majority of the ringers of that diocese. In your interesting leading article of the 1st inst. you suggested a referendum, of which Mr. Woolley apparently is afraid. For all practical purposes, *that referendum has already been taken*. It suffices to take the membership rolls of the two associations concerned to see how overwhelming a majority of the ringers in Suffolk claim allegiance to the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan branch of the Norwich and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association.

If Mr. Woolley's plan of sorting up ringers into separated diocesan organisations were to be admitted, it must be applicable elsewhere than in Suffolk. Thus it would follow that such well-known associations as the Yorkshire, the Lancashire, the Midland Counties, the Durham and Newcastle, the Gloucester and Bristol, to take the leading examples, would have to be dismembered. And what would happen to London ringers? To what diocese would they belong?

Another point. There is in your correspondent's letter the assumption that by some means the Norwich Diocesan branch has acted arbitrarily in imposing its will on the members of the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich branch. A little reflection would have shown him that there could indeed be no such compulsion. Membership of any association rests entirely on a voluntary basis, and it must, therefore, be presumed that the individual ringers who have elected to belong to the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich branch of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association know their own business. All decisions that have been taken, and all resolutions that have been passed, as regards Suffolk, have been constitutionally carried at their own branch meetings in Suffolk, and, therefore, must be taken to represent the wishes of the majority of the Suffolk ringers.—Yours very truly,

G. P. BURTON.

Manor House, Bracondale, Norwich.

## QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S BIRTHDAY.

At Farnham, Surrey, on Friday, Dec. 1st, at St. Andrew's Church, for the birthday of H.M. Queen Alexandra, a quarter-peal of Grand-sire Triples (1,260 changes), in 50 mins.: R. Knott (1st quarter-peal) 1. H. Prior 2. A. J. Le Clercq 3. G. Upshall 4. E. Clapshaw 5. T. Upshall 6. R. Hasted, senr. (conductor), 7. A. E. King 8.

Peals were rung at a number of towers in celebration of the royal anniversary.

## MR. G. F. SWANN'S 300 PEALS.

	Tower.		Handbells.	
	Rung.	Cond.	Rung.	Cond.
Stedman Sextuples	—	—	1	—
Cambridge Surprise Maximus	2	—	—	—
Kent Treble Bob Maximus	—	—	2	1
Stedman Cinques	22	1	63	15
Grandsire Cinques	1	—	1	—
Erin Cinques	—	—	1	—
Cambridge Surprise Royal	2	—	—	—
Kent Treble Bob Royal	1	—	4	1
Oxford Treble Bob Royal	1	—	—	—
Stedman Caters	15	3	28	7
Grandsire Caters	1	1	1	1
Bob Major	8	5	—	—
Kent Treble Bob Major	6	3	1	—
Forward Major	1	1	—	—
Double Norwich Major	19	4	—	—
Double Oxford Major	1	—	—	—
Double Yorkshire Major	2	—	—	—
Superlative Surprise Major	10	1	—	—
Cambridge Surprise Major	11	2	—	—
London Surprise Major	5	1	—	—
Bristol Surprise Major	4	—	—	—
Stedman Triples	67	38	6	5
Grandsire Triples	12	3	1	—
Total	191	61	109	30

## DIPLOMAS OF MERIT.

To the Editor.

Sir,—I am puzzled to understand the hysterical letter in your last issue over the name of Ernest Morris, 24, Coventry Street, Leicester. When the writer of it has recovered, I will be glad to learn where the 'personalities' occur in my previous letters. Neither your readers of adult age, nor myself, require to be taught the literal meaning of phrases to be found in any dictionary. To accuse me of being 'personal,' and in the same breath advise me what and what not to do, betrays the fact that as far as he is concerned 'a little knowledge is a dangerous thing.' Whoever advised him to 'butt in' in this foolish fashion may have been 'his flatterer, but not his friend.'

Either he is incapable of understanding humorous colloquialism, or the abnormal desire to see his name and address in print on every conceivable opportunity impels him to attract attention to himself by a worn-out device of 'personality' where none exists.

This is a discussion of a possible policy where 'personalities' have no part, but if any feel that the cap fits their particular heads, they would be foolish to 'give themselves away.' If Ernest Morris, or anyone else, can add to the discussion pro or con, they should do so by argument, but parrot cries are simply a waste of good postage stamps.

—Yours, etc.,

W. WILLSON.

December 10th, 1922.

## GOOD WORK ITS OWN REWARD.

Dear Sir,—When I opened my copy of the 'Ringing World' this morning, I really was most awfully bucked to see all the splendid diplomas it contained for various members of the art and science which we profess. Not to mention my own particular award of merit: yes, there it was; all newly done in gilt and adorned with sugarplums, with 'a present for a good boy' on top like my birthday cakes used to have. I really was delighted to discover that I had so many good qualities and so many implied compliments. Coming, as they do, now I have reached the 'sear and yellow leaf' stage (and the white heather has long bloomed on my hilltop), makes me wish I had entered for my Diploma long years ago. William, accept my gratitude; but why 'no flowers,' my friend? I had thought that distributing largesse in the garland and laurel wreath line was your long suite just at present. However, I tender my humblest if I am wrong. William, you didn't specify in your letter (page 679, date Oct. 27th) that you did not include the multiple method peals. You should have been explicit, then we shouldn't have had a chance to infer things. All honour to you, or anyone else, who goes a long distance to help a young band; and if you did say you were 'on business,' was it not the truth? And very good 'biz' at that. Now, if you just tip me the wink, on the strict Q.T., of course, who is your pet 'flea that troubleth' in the Bob Minor line? He shall be boiled in oil, and his head shall adorn the top brick of the Willson keep and for ever grin defiance to those who dare to please themselves and go ringing to perpetrate more peals in one method only. It really is disconcerting, after a good supper, to have the thought flash across one's mind that perhaps in one's own parish someone might be foisting upon the society, which is one's own particular pride, his 100th peal of Plain Bob Doubles, an it were in order to get someone through his first peal is no excuse. However, that is no reason why diplomas should not be issued to those who are so vainglorious as to wish to pay for them. But we cannot class ringing with music for this purpose. The great inspiration of ringing is its service to the church, and I believe it should be done with no thought of reward, and if diplomas were granted for various stages in ringing, and our good Editor sorted out the wheat from the tares, giving Surprise a front seat, it would cause more strife still, and it would to some extent do away with that equality which should exist in our ranks. No, good Mr. Willson, let us do our ringing with no thought of reward other than the knowledge of good work well done. I don't remember that the Master in His charge to His disciples mentioned anything about the diplomas they were to acquire. Nor did the widow ask one when she dropped her mite into the plate. Were ringing not an adjunct to the worship in our church, and were our experts billed to appear in so and so town as concert stars are, then I should agree with Mr. Willson, give 'em all they want in that line. But I don't agree that diplomas will encourage young ringers to aspire to the top of the tree. I believe that 90 per cent. wish to get there now, with no thought of reward. The other 10 per cent. are not an ornament to the Exercise. I believe that the very best diploma any man could have is for his fellows to say of him, when he has gone to his rest, that he did his utmost to bring others up to his own standard, and did not scorn the humblest methods as a means to a glorious end. I do not think, nor have I ever said, that vain repetition of a thing adds to its glory. It cannot do; it is the great reason why the thing is repeated time and again that is the peculiar glory of ringing. It is not merely the intricacy of the method which is the attraction. There are many who put their heart and soul into Plain Bob Minor because they love the sound of their bells and the service they are offering. No, William, you can't place the Surprise methods in the 'first class' category; you can't place them anywhere but where they have already placed themselves. They are an



easy first now. I note, with pleasure, your remarks re the 59 peals of Doubles and Minor rung by your association in 1921-22. I should have thought it was a sure sign of progress, and that someone was at work among the hedgerows. I noted that the Surprise peals were also in evidence, and good young blood ringing 'em, but you are on the spot, and should be able to put the house in order if any one man can. But I shouldn't discourage those six bell towers, their membership counts for more than a little to all societies, and are the backbone of more than one. Anyhow, you have my good wishes in the work before you, and should you succeed in substituting for the peals of Minor you object to, others in seven Surprise methods, I will be first to say you have earned the highest honours the M.C.A. can bestow. But if you are the real heartwhole ringer I take you to be you won't want a paltry thing you can hang on your wall. Your reward will be in the approval of your compeers. Real ringers do not want paper puffs. Would-be-but-can't ringers are not entitled to such notice. Only those puffed up with conceit would take them up. The real stuff lets its actions speak louder than the diplomas on the parlour walls.—Yours merrily,  
ONCE A BEGINNER.

### REMEMBRANCE DAY.

**ROYSTON, HERTS.**—For evening service, on Remembrance Day, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, 1,280 changes (Thurstans), with the bells half-muffled: A. Gilbert 1, S. Reed 2, J. W. Ward 3, W. B. Manning (conductor) 4, C. S. Gouldthorpe 5, R. G. King 6, S. E. Roberts 7, A. Roberts 8.—On Sunday morning, Nov. 12th, 504 Stedman Triples, W. L. Darlow (conductor).

**CHURCHKIRK, LANCs.**—On Nov. 11th, 1,260 Bob Minor, in 45 mins., with the bells half-muffled, in memory of the three ringers of this tower who fell in the war (P. Lomax, J. J. Moseley and R. Bevins): A. Chadwicke 1, A. Ingham 2, W. Aaron 3, J. Marsh 4, W. Aspinall (longest length) 5, L. J. Williams (conductor) 6.

**CAERPHILLY.**—Llandaff and Monmouth Association. — On Nov. 11th, at St. Martin's Church, 420 Grandsire Triples, half-muffled, and with the bells open, the first half of Holt's 10-Part peal (2,520 changes): S. Addicott 1, A. Addicott (conductor) 2, G. Cooke 3, P. Jones 4, W. Pike 5, W. Dare 6, F. Boucher 7, T. Love 8. Rung for those who fell in the war, and the half peal for St. Martin's Day.

**MATLOCK.**—At the Parish Church, on Armistice Day, 308 Grandsire Triples, with bells half-muffled, also a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: R. Grestorex 1, L. Statham 2, F. Knowles 3, J. Toplis 4, J. H. Paulson (conductor) 5, G. H. Paulson 6, F. Paulson 7, E. Holmes 8.

**KETTERING, NORTANTS.**—An attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples, with the bells half-muffled, was lost owing to a shift course, after ringing 2 hours and a quarter: A. W. Inns 1, M. Hobbs 2, R. Black 3, B. Saddington 4, C. Bird 5, A. Henman 6, D. J. Nichols (conductor) 7, F. W. Lamport 8.

**BRIDGEND, GLAM.**—At St. Illty's Church, 532 Grandsire Triples: A. W. Wright 1, A. Jones 2, B. J. Toby 3, R. Evans 4, C. H. Perry (conductor) 5, H. Jenkins 6, D. R. James 7, C. Greedy 8. Also 406 changes in the same method by the same band. These touches were rung half-muffled.

**WISSETT, SUFFOLK.**—At St. Andrew's Church, 1,260 changes Grandsire Doubles, in 44 mins.: F. C. Lambert (conductor) 1, W. Kerrison 2, W. Kemp 3, J. Howard 4, L. Hammond 5, J. Jolly 6. The ringers of the treble, 5th and tenor each lost a son in the late war, and the ringer of the 3rd bell lost two sons and two sons-in-law.

**HALESWORTH, SUFFOLK.**—At the Parish Church, touches of Bob Triples and Bob Minor were rung, and for Sunday morning service, 336 Grandsire Triples, and 576 Kent Treble Bob Major: W. Pierce 1, E. Hall 2, F. C. Lambert (conductor) 3, R. Thompson 4, J. Larter 5, J. Howard 6, C. Moss 7, A. Lee 8.

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.**—At the Parish Church, in 57 minutes, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,272 changes): J. Bragg 1, C. Bragg 2, G. A. Martineau 3, H. Bragg 4, S. Bragg 5, E. C. Shepherd (composer and conductor) 6, H. Shepherd 7, Sam Bragg 8, R. Bragg 9, A. Bragg 10. In the inverted titmums and handstroke home positions.

**HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.**—An attempt was made for a peal of Stedman Triples, but it unfortunately came to grief, afterwards 800 Bob Major was rung. Also, for memorial service, arranged by the local branch of the British Legion, on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 12th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: W. Godden 1, Miss E. Hopkin 2, J. Taylor 3, H. Wilson 4, J. Garth 5, W. H. Taylor 6, F. Watkinson (conductor) 7, F. Cardwell 8. First quarter in the method by all except conductor.

**CADOXTON, GLAM.**—For the unveiling of two memorials, one in church and one in the village, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, half-muffled: Frank Hutton 1, Harry Boyce 2, J. E. Bloxham (conductor) 3, Idris Bowen 4, R. Rees 5, A. Hutton 6. Ringers 1, 2 and 6 are from Neath.—In the evening, after failing for a peal of Bob Minor, 720 Bob Minor, half-muffled, in 26 mins.: R. Jones 1, I. Bowen 2, D. J. Lewis 3, A. Devonald 4, R. Rees 5, J. E. Bloxham (conductor) 6, by the local band. At Neath the same night, several touches of Bob Minor and Grandsire Doubles, half-muffled, with the above ringers, excepting H. Boyce and R. Jones.

### SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, Dec. 10th, for Choral Eucharist, 832 Double Norwich: W. Morris 1, H. Smale 2, V. Tipton 3, L. J. Cordell 4, G. Dent (conductor) 5, S. Clark 6, J. Cordell 7, W. Wheeler 8.—For evensong, 800 Bob Major: W. Tipton 1, G. Dent 2, F. Whilby 3, W. Wedlock 4, V. Tipton 5, S. Clark 6, J. Cordell 7, W. Wheeler 8.

**BEVERLEY, YORKS.**—At the Minster, on Sunday, Nov. 5th, for morning service, 163 Stedman Triples; for evening service, 648 Grandsire Caters: R. Owen 1, W. Gibson 2, H. Ringrose 3, J. Braithwaite 4, F. Osgerby 5, C. G. Constable 6, A. E. Sellers 7, J. E. Constable 8, W. Middleton (conductor) 9, A. Botham 10.

**CAVENDISH, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob, half-muffled, for remembrance day: A. Catterwell 1, A. Maxim 2, B. W. Pettett 3, Albt. Maxim 4, G. Moore 5, T. Slater (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Double Court: W. Underwood (conductor) 1, H. Perkins 2, B. W. Pettett 3, A. Ince 4, A. Catterwell 5, T. Slater 6.

**WITHAM, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, at the Parish Church, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: W. J. Butler 1, A. Chalk 2, W. Mellin 3, A. Evers 4, W. Butler 5, E. Bright (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 720 Double Court: W. Mellin 1, A. Chalk 2, W. Butler 3, H. Doyking 4, A. Evers 5, E. Bright (conductor) 6.

**KETTERING.**—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, for evening service, 1,080 Cambridge Surprise Royal: A. V. Inns 1, E. M. Atkins 2, D. J. Nichols (conductor) 3, H. Peet 4, R. Turner 5, W. Rogers 6, C. W. Bird 7, J. B. Williamson 8, J. E. Chapman 9, F. W. Sawfoot 10.

**ISLEWORTH.**—For morning service, on Nov. 12th, at the Church of All Saints, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: G. Spencer 1, A. Beckensale 2, F. G. Goddard 3, J. Milner 4, W. H. Hollier 5, H. W. Lidbetter (conductor) 6, A. Harding 7, H. Brooks 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 6th.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, in 50 mins.: Tom Beadle 1, T. G. Goddard 2, G. Spencer 3, J. Milner 4, R. A. Watts 5, A. Harding 6, A. Beckensale 7, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 8.

**ST. LAURENCE, THANET.**—On Remembrance Sunday, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, half-muffled, in 47 mins.: H. Foster 1, L. J. Twyman 2, T. Scott 3, W. J. Jarman 4, W. G. Birch 5, H. W. Moody, R.A.F., 6, A. E. Jarman (conductor) 7, J. Jarman 8. First as conductor; also first quarter by the treble and by the 2nd with a bob bell.

**FEERING, ESSEX.**—For evening service, on Sunday, Nov. 12th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: G. Mayes 1, J. Newman 2, J. Sadler 3, G. Hayward 4, C. Rogers 5, W. Keeble (conductor) 6.

**HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters: Miss G. Baker 1, Miss D. G. Feltham 2, G. Gutteridge 3, J. J. Pratt 4, P. Jones 5, \*S. Honor (first quarter of Grandsire Caters) 6, E. Hancox (conductor) 7, R. Carter 8, W. Henley 9, W. Honor 10.

**HITCHIN, HERTS.**—At the Parish Church of St. Mary, on Sunday, November 5th, in 50 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): E. W. Day 1, H. Else 2, C. Cannon 3, W. J. Croft 4, E. J. Newell (conductor) 5, J. Hare 6, G. T. Croft 7, H. E. Day 8.—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, previous to evensong, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 54 mins.: H. Else 1, L. Fidler 2, E. J. Newell 3, H. E. Day 4, G. Wolfe 5, J. Hare 6, G. T. Croft 7, W. J. Croft (conductor) 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled on the occasion of a British Legion Church Parade in connection with Armistice Day.

**HARBORNE.**—On Sunday, for morning service, on Nov. 12th, 720 Bob Minor, in 27 mins.: J. Atkins 1, C. Simkiss 2, H. Stanley 3, G. Pigott (conductor) 4, R. Russell 5, E. Rose 6.

**NUNEATON.**—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, for morning service, on the occasion of the Mayor and Corporation attending Divine service at the Parish Church, 448 Superlative Surprise: F. Braxington 1, E. Martin 2, C. Draper 3, A. Wilkerson 4, W. Martin 5, E. Stone 6, J. F. Clarke 7, T. W. Chapman 8.—For evening service, 576 London Surprise: C. Draper 1, J. F. Clarke 2, H. Argyle 3, W. Horton 4, D. H. Argyle 5, E. Stone 6, J. F. Clarke, senr., 7, T. W. Chapman 8.

**MARKET DEEPING.**—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, for morning service, 360 College Single: F. Simpson 1, H. M. Day (conductor) 2, A. Rigall 3, W. A. Day 4, J. Landon 5, G. H. Wells 6. Also 240 of Primrose Surprise and 120 of Canterbury Pleasure, with H. Hayes treble.—For evening service, 720 Single Court: F. Simpson 1, H. Hayes (first in the method inside) 2, H. M. Day (conductor) 3, A. Rigall 4, W. A. Day 5, G. H. Wells 6.

**LINTON.**—On Sunday, Nov. 20th, for evening service, 530 Stedman Triples: F. M. Mitchel 1, L. Mantering 2, C. H. Sone 3, L. Head (conductor) 4, H. Head 5, J. Head 6, T. E. Sone 7, G. Pound 8. Longest touch in the method by H. and J. Head. Also touches of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples by the same band, and Mr. B. Baker.

### NOTICE.

Reports of peals rung during next week should be forwarded for publication immediately after the performance. Christmas Holidays will otherwise prevent their appearance in the issue of Dec. 29th.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.****BLACKBURN BRANCH MEETING.**

Saturday last was a red-letter day in the Blackburn Branch of the Lancashire Association, when a meeting, held at the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Blackburn, was made noteworthy by the unveiling of a peal tablet in the ringing chamber. It contains the record of first peals rung by the local company in five different methods, viz., Grandsire Triples, Bob Major, Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major and Double Norwich Court Bob Major.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Canon H. J. Elsee, Vicar of St. George's, Bolton, and President of the Lancashire Association, the Rev. E. Hanson, Vicar of St. Michael's, and the Rev. H. C. Barathy (curate) also taking part in the ceremony.

Canon Elsee, in a short address, paid a high tribute to the work of the local company, and also spoke very encouragingly to all present, putting special stress on the importance of good striking and of all ringers giving of their very best for Sunday service ringing.

On the invitation of the Vicar and ringers, tea was partaken in the Church Institute, an excellent meal being served to between 60 and 70 ringers and friends.

The business meeting was held afterwards, the Rev. E. Hanson presiding, supported by the Rev. Canon Elsee, the Rev. H. C. de Barathy, Messrs. Sharples and Blackshaw (churchwardens), Mr. J. H. Banks (ringing secretary of the Lancashire Association), etc.—The Rev. E. Hanson spoke of the great interest taken by Canon Elsee in the association, and also of his kindness in coming from Bolton to unveil the tablet.—Mr. A. Tomlinson, on behalf of the local ringers, thanked Canon Elsee for the tribute he had paid them, and for his goodness in coming to perform the ceremony. He also thanked the Rev. E. Hanson, the Rev. H. C. Barathy, Messrs. Sharples and Blackshaw for the kindly interest they had taken in the proceedings. He also said how grateful they were to the visitors from other branches who had come over and helped to make the day so enjoyable.

It was proposed to hold the next meeting at Accrington on Jan. 13th.

A little more ringing was indulged in before the members dispersed. No less than 13 towers were represented at the meeting.

**GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.****FOREST BRANCH SECRETARYSHIP.**

The annual meeting of the Forest Branch was held at Westbury-on-Severn on Saturday. The bells, a beautiful heavy peal of six, were raised at 3 p.m., and kept going till 4.15, when service was held in the church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. A. Kelley). A splendid tea was afterwards partaken of at the Lion Hotel, the Vicar being in the chair, and 25 ringers, including two ladies, were present. Mr. Colchester Wemyss and Mr. Cadle were also present.

The business meeting followed, at which the Rev. A. Kelley was elected president for the ensuing year.—Mr. J. Williams, who had held the secretaryship for several years, notified the meeting that he should like to relinquish that office if anyone else would take it on, and Mr. Walter Gleed, of Westbury-on-Severn, was unanimously elected to fill the office.

It was decided to appoint an assistant secretary, the district being a very large one. Mr. J. Williams offered to fill the post and look after the northern part of the district.—This was carried, and Mr. Williams was thanked for his past services.

The usual votes of thanks concluded a very successful meeting. The towers represented were Westbury, St. Michael's, Gloucester; Littledean, Blaisdon, St. Briavels and Newent.

Will ringers kindly note that the new secretary's address is Westbury-on-Severn, near Newnham, Gloucester?

**THE ARTHUR T. KING MEMORIAL FUND.****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—The following amounts, received from the gentlemen named towards the above fund, are gratefully acknowledged: F. A. Milne, J.P., £5; R. Sanders, 2s. 6d.; A. Riley, 3s.; Rev. C. F. Peplow, 5s.; E. S. Poll, 5s.; E. Barnett, 5s.; E. Barnett, junr., 2s. 6d.; Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, 10s.; H. E. Audsley, 4s.; J. George, 5s.; J. E. Sykes, 3s.; E. Bennett, 1s.; T. R. Dennis, 2s. 6d.; A. W. Brighton, 5s.; F. Rainbird, 2s. 6d.; W. Watson, 2s. 6d.; E. J. Butler, 2s. 6d.; A. Pye, 2s.; H. F. Dawkins, 2s. 6d.; A. C. Chaplin, 2s. 6d.; J. H. B. Hesse, 10s. 6d.; C. T. Coles, 5s.; Sir Wm. Turpin, 5s.; W. G. Whitehead, 2s. 6d.; M. F. R. Hibbert, 2s.; G. R. Pye, 10s.; Wm. Pye, 10s.; total, £10 13s.

Further sums for the fund will be thankfully received by any member of the Memorial Committee, Messrs. T. Beadle, 17, Percy Gardens, Isleworth; W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, Chiswick, W.4; F. A. Milne, Summerhill, Barnet; or by yours truly, C. T. COLES, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, Wallingford, E.17.

**EXETER BELL RESTORATION.**

The bells of St. Petrock's Church, Exeter, have been restored as a parochial war memorial. On Sunday week they were reopened and dedicated, together with a handsomely designed marble tablet, containing the names of the twelve men from the parish who gave their lives in the war. The tablet is also inscribed: 'To the Glory of God and in ever-loving and grateful remembrance of the men of St. Petrock's and St. Kerrian's who gave their lives for right and freedom in the great war, 1914-1918, this tablet was erected and our ancient bells restored.' The dedication was performed by the Sheriff of Exeter (the Rev. Canon D. McLaren), and the tablet was unveiled by the Mayor.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, a short touch was rung on the restored bells, some of which date back to the reign of Henry V. The 'Last Post' and 'Reveille' were sounded by buglers of the Exeter Cadet Battalion, and the service, which had been very impressive, concluded with the National Anthem and the Benediction.

The work of restoring the bells has been very satisfactorily carried out by Messrs. T. Doble and Sons, of Taunton, to the entire approval of the bell committee, and of the ringers, who, after the conclusion of the service, rang several six scores of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, the bands representing the local towers of St. David's, St. Sidwell's and Heavitree. Every hope is expressed that a new band will soon be forthcoming to take over the tower and bells, as they are a nice light ring. Tenor 5½ cwt.

The new ropes were given by Mr. W. J. Southwood, of Exeter.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

A very successful meeting of the Ludlow district was held at Tenbury on December 2nd, those present including the Diocesan Ringing Master (Mr. Chas. Edwards), the District Ringing Master (the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson), local ringers, and visitors from Bredebury, Bromfield, Kimbolton, Ludlow and Staunton-on-Arrow. On arrival at the belfry the visitors were met by the Vicar (the Rev. E. F. Wintonington Ingram), who extended to them a hearty welcome. Good fortune favoured the company, as in addition to a bright service (with organ accompaniment), and an address full of interest and encouragement, the Vicar entertained the party to an excellent tea in the Parish Hall, with local ladies to wait upon their needs.

While the tables were being cleared, courses of Grandsire Triples and Caters were rung upon the Rev. Richardson's sweet-toned handbells.

The Vicar presided at the business meeting, and stated that he would gladly become an honorary member, and the district secretary reported that the Bromfield and Tenbury ringers had decided to join the Guild in the New Year.—It was proposed by Mr. C. Edwards, and carried, that the annual district meeting take place at Bromfield on January 20th next.

After a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar, lady helpers, organist and Tenbury ringers, the company again adjourned to the tower, when touches of Oxford and Plain Bob Minor, Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles were indulged in.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**

A quarterly meeting of this Guild was held at Bilston on Dec. 2nd, when members from various towers, and including five lady ringers from Smethwick, kept the bells going in various methods till five o'clock, when the Vicar (the Rev. G. C. Ford) conducted service, and gave an inspiring address.

Tea and meeting followed, and Mr. George England occupied the chair.—Four new ringing members were elected, and Dudley was chosen for the next meeting, which will be the annual.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar, organist, and ladies, who had arranged for comforts of the ringers by providing a splendid tea. It was also resolved to send a letter of congratulation to the veteran ringer, Mr. W. R. Small, upon attaining his 83rd birthday.

**CHIPPENHAM BAND'S FINE PROGRESS.**

At Chippenham Parish Church, for evening service, on St. Andrew's Day, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) was rung in 42 minutes: E. Perry 1, E. Trueman 2, W. Hulbert 3, C. Lovelock 4, L. Ambrose 5, S. Wiltshire 6, F. Lambeth (conductor) 7, H. Powell 8.

Since the Armistice, the above band, together with R. Pearce and A. Dale, all local and Sunday Service ringers, have learned to ring Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob and Double Norwich, and are now tackling Superlative, to be followed by Cambridge in the New Year. They have no help from outside, and their progress speaks volumes for their keenness and perseverance.

**LONDON.**—At St. Olave's, Hart Street, on Wednesday, Nov. 29th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. H. Hewett 1, F. Hairs 2, C. W. R. Grimwood 3, C. V. Ebberson 4, J. A. Trollope 5, R. Sanders (conductor) 6. First 720 of Cambridge by all.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The North and East District meeting arranged for Dec. 16th at Stanmore has been unavoidably postponed.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at St. Joseph's Church, Ansdell (8 bells) on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Business meeting 5.30.—C. Sharples, Branch Secretary, 3, Rutland Gate, North Promenade, Blackpool.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting, 6.30. All ringers welcome.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 31, Samuel Street, Middleton.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—The Annual meeting of this Division will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow (8 bells), on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Service at 5; tea and meeting to follow in Hall adjoining church. Will members requiring tea kindly advise me by the 11th inst., and oblige?—W. H. Theobald, Hon. District Sec., 49, The Portway, West Ham, E.15.

**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North East Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Tiverton, on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells available at 2.30. Service and address by the Rector at 4.45. Tea, 1/- each, in the Institute at 5.15. Will those requiring tea notify me by the previous Tuesday?—Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Bulwell, on Saturday, December 16th. Ringing from 4.30 to 8.30 p.m. Business meeting 6 o'clock.—T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Nottingham.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Luton District.—The annual meeting of this District will be held at Dunstable, on Saturday, December 16th. The bells will be available at 2.45 p.m. Tea and meeting at 5 p.m. It is hoped all members will try and attend this meeting. Visitors heartily welcomed.—A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

**DRIGHLINGTON, St. Paul's Church.**—Reopening of the Bells.—By the kindness of the Rev. T. M. Turnbull, Vicar, the Churchwardens and Ringers. The ring of bells (8) will be reopened on Saturday, December 16th. Originally cast by Messrs. Warner and Sons, of London, 40 years ago, have now been retuned and rehung on the latest principle by Messrs. J. Taylor & Co., of Loughborough. The bells will be available for ringing from 2 to 9 p.m., and a hearty invitation is given to all ringers on this occasion. Tea will be provided at 5 p.m., at a charge of 1s. 3d. each. The order for ringing will be arranged as applications are received, so send in early. A. Gascoigne, Sec., Cross Roads, Drighlington.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Next meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 16th, at St. Mary's, Whitechapel. Ringing from 3.30 p.m. Service. Tea kindly provided by the Rector. To make the necessary arrangements, will all who intend coming let me know by the 14th? Business meeting after. Welcome to all.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Dis. Sec., 57, Market Street, W.2.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Northamptonshire Branch.—A meeting will be held at Cranford, on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Bells (6) ready 2.30. Service 4 o'clock. Tea 4.30. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Dec. 13th. Gentlemen cordially invited.—Cecil E. Hepburn, Hon. Sec., The Pines, Isham.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Corston, on Saturday, Dec. 16th. Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; Bishopsgate, Dec. 18th; Sundays, St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—The subscription of 1/8, which enables members who have not attended 20 times in the past year, to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Dec. 21st, at 7.30 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting will be held at Llandaff on Tuesday, Dec. 26th. Bells (10) available. Service in the Cathedral at 4 o'clock. Tea and business meeting to follow. St. John's bells, Cardiff, available from about mid-day until 3 o'clock, and after the meeting—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Isle of Wight District.—The annual meeting will be held on Boxing Day at Newport. Bells available 2 p.m., at St. Thomas', Newport, and St. Mary's, Carisbrooke. Service at 4 p.m., addressed by Canon Thompson, M.A., Vicar of Newport. Tea at 4.45. Business meeting after. All intending to be present at tea please notify Secretary by 22nd inst.—W. Upton, 10, Elm Grove, Newport.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Bolton, on Saturday, 30th Dec. Bells available 3 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. Meeting 7.30 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Secretary, 204, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Chichester on Saturday, Dec. 30th. Bells open at 3 o'clock. Service at the Cathedral at 4. Tea at Cowley's Restaurant at 5. All those intending to be present kindly advise not later than Dec. 26th.—A. W. Groves, 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Loughborough District.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Loughborough on Saturday, Dec. 30th. Bells at All Saints' and Bell Foundry will be available for ringing from 3 o'clock. Business: election of officers for the year. All ringers invited to attend.—W. Pervin, Local Hon. Sec., 25, Ratcliffe Road, Loughborough.



**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Doncaster on Saturday, Dec. 30th. The tower will be open early for ringing. A short service will be held at 5 o'clock, at which the President (the Ven. Archdeacon Sandford) will give an address. Tea in the Memorial Hall at 5.30. Will all those who intend being present notify me, without fail, before Dec. 27th?—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Northfleet on Saturday, Jan. 6th, 1923. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 5, conducted by the Rev. W. Hurwood (curate-in-charge). Tea in the Church Schools at cost price per head; business meeting to follow. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Jan. 3rd? All ringers welcome.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The next Quarterly meeting will be at Mansfield on Saturday, Jan. 6th, 1923. Tower open 2 o'clock. There will be a meeting of the sub-committee at 4 o'clock, and of the general committee at 4.15. Tea will be ready at 5 o'clock and will be followed by general meeting. Will those requiring tea kindly advise Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, Church House, Mansfield, by Thursday, Jan. 4th?—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Hunts District.—The meeting at St. Neots, proposed for Dec. 9th, will be held on Jan. 13th. Further notice will be given.—Rev. H. B. Woolley, Dist. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—Preliminary Notice.—A dinner will be held at the Flying Horse Hotel, Nottingham, on Jan. 27th, 1923, to honour the memory of William Doubleday Crofts (1737—1809), practically the founder of change ringing in Nottingham. Further particulars later.—Thos. H. Kirkby.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. Arthur E. Pegler has removed to 7, Clarence Street, Euston Road, Bangor, North Wales.

**TO PEAL ORGANISERS, Etc.**—W. E. Pitman, 31, Palace Street, Canterbury, will be pleased to be of service in any band on Bank Holidays to obviate any disappointment. Competent in Standard Methods, Superlative, Cambridge, Double Norwich. Distance no object. Early invitation desirable.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

#### SITUATIONS WANTED.

Ex-C.O.M.S., R.E. seeks employment as storekeeper, clerical work, or any position of trust. Married, family, aged 38, 6 years' exemplary army service, 10 years' whole-

sale and retail chemist's storekeeping, good change-ringer and able to instruct.—F. Precey, 2, Upton Lovel, Wilts.

Ex-Service Man requires Situation as Motor or Motor Cycle and Cycle Mechanic. Change-ringer on 6, 8 or 10 bells.—J. R. Bartram, 59, Normans Street, Melton Mowbray.

#### NOTICE.

TO THE CLERGY, RINGERS, AND ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Having had over 40 years' experience as Church Bell and Musical Handbell tuner, in succession to my father (Mr. H. W. Haley), I have decided to carry on the handbell business, and, therefore, respectfully beg to solicit your patronage.

I shall be pleased to execute any orders, however small, at reasonable charges, and guarantee satisfaction.

Prices for new bells, repairs, etc., will be furnished on application.

**WILLIAM HALEY,**

Author of the 'Bell Hymn Book,' Twelve Popular Hymns, etc., etc.,  
50, CLARENDON ROAD, HOE STREET,  
WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.

## ALFRED BOWELL, CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

*Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.*

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
COVENTRY.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. AGGETT & SONS,

Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
CHURCH BELL HANGER,  
43, Malvern Road,  
Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICE.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the Hon. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	...	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	...	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	...	3
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..	...	4
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	...	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	...	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver will make a most appropriate and useful Gift

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Silversmith,  
**WOKING**  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast. New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make. Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

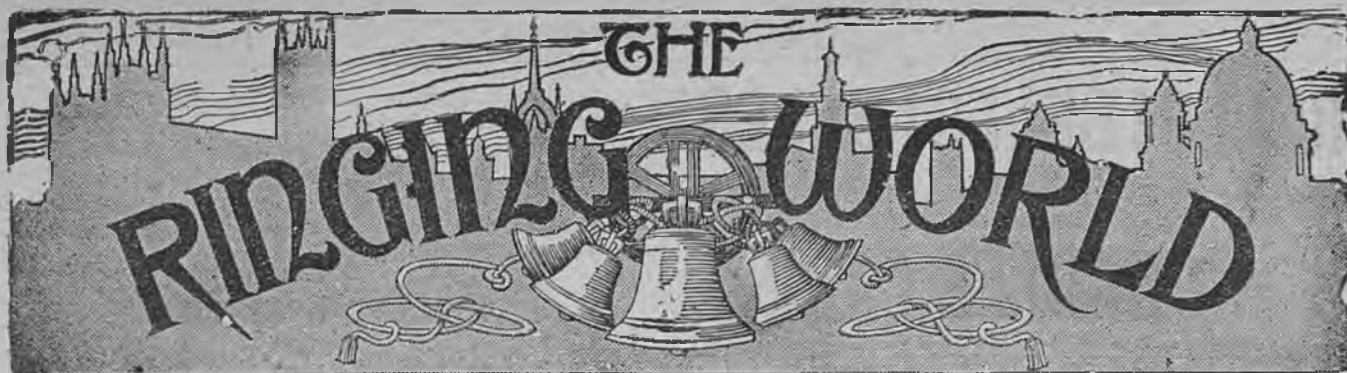
Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guildford, and Published by The Bells House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's Buildings, London, E.C.



No. 614. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22nd, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for  
transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

### BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### TWELVE-BELL PEALS.

Close upon the completion of the peal of twelve at Taunton, and even before the new bells to be placed in the Cathedral at Exeter to increase the ring to the highest number, have been opened, comes the announcement that Macclesfield is to have a peal of similar number. The rings of twelve thus continue steadily to mount up, and the latest addition will supply the first in the county of Cheshire. This year Leicester and Taunton have been completed, Exeter put in hand and Macclesfield decided upon, not a bad record for one twelvemonth, especially if the complete restorations at Sheffield and St. Martin's-in-the-Fields be added. This is an evidence of increasing interest in bells on the part of the public and of Church authorities, for it has to be remembered that the augmentation and restoration of rings of the lower numbers have been going on in equally encouraging manner.

But with this growth of rings of twelve, there is a noticeable absence of twelve-bell peals, when it is remembered that there are already forty twelve-bell towers in this country. A cursory glance through the pages of 'The Ringing World' shows that up to last Saturday 34 twelve-bell peals on tower bells had been rung since the beginning of this year, and of that number no fewer than 19 were rung in and around London, while, of the remainder, four were rung at Painswick and three at Birmingham, leaving only eight, spread over six towers, for all the rest of England! Is this, one may well ask, a really satisfactory record? The bulk of the peals in the London district was rung by three companies, with, of course, slight variations of personnel, and that, subject to the same qualification, leaves only nine other bands of twelve-bell ringers to score peals in practically a whole year. Yorkshire with five twelve-bell towers, rang one peal; Lancashire with three, rang none at all. Nor can the poor result throughout the country generally be attributed to the fact that in many places the bells are unpealable. Local conditions, over which ringers have no control, may have done something to prevent peals in some places; but there must be other causes, to be found among the ringers themselves, to account for the state of affairs which this brief survey reveals.

There is work for many Associations to do in the new year if they would bring twelve-bell peal ringing to the level it ought to be. Where the bells are at fault, every influence should be brought to bear to get them restored. Where it is the ringers who are the stumbling-block, tactful assistance, encouragement or advice could be offered. We realise the difficulties in these matters, but

(Continued on page 302.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1760.

## JOHN NICOLL,

**Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.**

**60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.**

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway),

**Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.**

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

no association ought to rest until it is able to claim at least one peal a year on the bells of every twelve-bell tower in its area. In only fourteen towers (six of them in or near the Metropolis) have twelve-bell peals been rung this year. That in itself is proof that something should be done, and if the associations, who are more particularly interested, cannot move, who can?

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD, SHOREDITCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 28½ cwt.

ARTHUR N. HARDY ... .. Treble	RICHARD BEVAN... .. 7
*JOHN SPARROW ... .. 2	FRANK SMITH ... .. 8
JOHN W. CORNFORD ... .. 3	*WILLIAM BOTTRILL ... .. 9
JOHN D. MATTHEWS ... .. 4	GEORGE A. CARD ... .. 10
*REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 5	*HARRY SEAR ... .. 11
THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 6	CECIL J. MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN COX. Conducted by JOHN D. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal of Treble Twelve.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

CARDIFF.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Dec. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;**

Tenor 27 cwt in D.

WILLIAM RICHARDS ... .. Treble	JOHN W. JONES ... .. 6
ERNEST H. HUNT ... .. 2	†FREDERICK J. CULLOM, JUN. 7
*JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... .. 3	ERNEST COOMBS ... .. 8
WILLIAM BOLTON ... .. 4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 9
FREDERICK G. VILES ... .. 5	SEYMOUR R. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by FRED CHAMBERLAIN.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First peal on ten bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to S. R. Barker.

ASTON, BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6077 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt. in D.

THOMAS H. REEVES... .. Treble	JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... .. 6
ALBERT E. SCRIVENS... .. 2	HERBERT C. SPENCER ... .. 7
WILLIAM KENT ... .. 3	†BERTRAM C. LEEDHAM ... .. 8
BERNARD W. WITCHELL ... .. 4	WILLIAM DAVIES ... .. 9
*RICHARD C. INGRAM ... .. 5	JAMES GEORGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by B. W. WITCHELL.

Rung as a birthday compliment to T. H. Reeves. It was also James George's 700th peal on tower bells. \* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Stedman Caters.

WARWICK.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANGES;**

J. CARTER'S No. 3.

Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM J. SMITH ... .. Treble	*ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... .. 6
EDWARD H. ADAMS ... .. 2	FRANK PERVIN ... .. 7
THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... .. 3	*WILLIAM COLLETT ... .. 8
JOSEPH B. FENTON ... .. 4	ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... .. 9
WILLIAM T. COX... .. 5	*THOMAS HARRIS... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. PERVIN.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal of Stedman Caters on tower bells by a resident band of the Warwickshire Guild.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.****CHESTER.****THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-within-the-Wall,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF 'THURSTANS'. Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE R. JONES ... .. Treble	HARRY F. HOLDING ... .. 5
EDWARD HARRISON ... .. 2	ARTHUR NEWELL ... .. 6
*SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. 3	JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 7
*JAMES SWINDLEY ... .. 4	ARTHUR HARRISON ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES H. RIDING.

\* First peal of Stedman.

**BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

(BLACKBURN AND ROCHDALE BRANCHES.)

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

TOM CHAMBERS ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM CRABTREE ... .. 5
TOM STANCLIFFE ... .. 2	*HERBERT DAVENPORT ... .. 6
*JOHN SANDERSON ... .. 3	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. 7
FRED CHAMBERS ... .. 4	JOHN WATSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

\* First peal in the method. Ringers of the 5th and 6th hail from Todmorden, the rest from Blackburn.

**CHERTSEY, SURREY.****THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**

On Friday, Dec. 8, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 20 cwt. 0 qr. 14 lb.

JOHN B. HESSEY ... .. Treble	CECIL C. MAYNE ... .. 5
*WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 2	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 6
WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
†HUBERT J. CHAFFEY ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. FISTOW. Conducted by KEITH HART.

First peal in the method on the bells. \* 500th peal. † First peal in the method.

**BAGSHOT, SURREY.****THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Church of St. Anne,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 17 cwt. 0 qr. 19 lb.

FREDERICK C. NYE ... .. Treble	CECIL C. MAYNE ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 2	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 6
WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
*HUBERT J. CHAFFEY ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by KEITH HART.

First peal of Major on the bells. \* First peal in the method. This peal, and the one at Chertsey, were specially arranged for Mr. H. J. Chaffey, Ringing Master of the Yorktown District.

**OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE****THE ST. CHAD'S SOCIETY, SHREWSBURY.**

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Church of St. Oswald,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. Treble	WILLIAM CATHRALL ... .. 5
†JAMES E. LILLEY ... .. 2	THOMAS CATHRALL ... .. 6
*FREDERICK EVANS ... .. 3	WILLIAM JONES ... .. 7
†WILLIAM B. KYNASTON ... .. 4	SAMUEL MEADOWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by CHAS. R. LILLEY.

\* First peal. † First peal of Treble Bob. First peal of Treble Bob on the bells. Messrs. Evans, Jones, Meadows, W. Cathrall and T. Cathrall, who hail from Wrexham, were elected members of the St. Chad's Society previous to starting. The band desire to thank the Vicar (Rev. A. R. Langford Brown) and Mr. Griffith Whitfield for the use of the bells.

**POOLSTOCK, LANCASHIRE.****THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb.

ERNEST CUTSFORTH ... .. Treble	THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... .. 5
HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 2	TITUS BARLOW ... .. 6
GEORGE POWNALL ... .. 3	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... .. 7
JOSEPH LEATHERBARROW ... .. 4	ALLAN F. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by B. A. KNIGHTS.

First peal of Major on the bells.

**LODDON, NORFOLK.****THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 11 cwt.

GEORGE T. PEGNALL ... .. Treble	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 5
ROBERT HARDY ... .. 2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 6
BEN S. THOMPSON ... .. 3	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... .. 7
*ARTHUR WEBBER ... .. 4	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

First peal on the bells since they were rehung. \* First peal 'inside.' The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar, Rev. R. Dixon, for entertaining them at the conclusion of the peal.

**BUCKLEBURY, BERKS.****THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(NEWBURY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

VICAR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM H. ADKINS ... .. Treble	SAMUEL QUINTON ... .. 5
MISS STELLA DAVIS ... .. 2	EDWARD R. ROBEY ... .. 6
ALBERT W. J. BIRD ... .. 3	HENRY W. CURTIS ... .. 7
JAMES HAZELL ... .. 4	SIDNEY NAILOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. R. ROBEY.

First peal of Triples as conductor. The band wishes to thank Mr. G. Davis and Mrs. Davies for kindly providing tea after the peal.

**COGGESHALL, ESSEX.****THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter-ad-Vincula,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANCES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. Treble	LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 5
*GEORGE WIFFEN ... .. 2	JAMES FLEUTY ... .. 6
CYRIL PEASE ... .. 3	WILLIAM ELLIOTT ... .. 7
†PERCY TIMSON ... .. 4	ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method. The band were fortunate in ringing the peal as, when lowering the bells at the finish, the tenor rope broke.

**KIDDERMINSTER, WORCESTERSHIRE.****THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. Treble	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 5
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 2	*CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ... .. 6
JOHN BASS ... .. 3	JOHN SMITH ... .. 7
*ERNEST J. BROOKS ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. ROBINSON.

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to Master Woodberry, son of the ringer of the 6th. First peal in the method on the bells.



BISHOPSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(WINCHESTER DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in F.

D. C. WILLIAMS, F.R.C.O. <i>Treble</i>	ERNEST J. AVLIFFE ... .. 5
WILLIAM G. EDWARDS ... .. 2	WALTER G. ROWE ... .. 6
GEORGE PULLINGER ... .. 3	OWEN H. GILES ... .. 7
ARTHUR H. WILSON ... .. 4	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by W. T. TUCKER.

Rung on the eve of the conductor's birthday.

NEWHAY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

ROBERT BUCKLEY ... .. <i>Treble</i>	JOHN NASH ... .. 5
MISS R. A. BELL ... .. 2	WILLIAM CRABTREE ... .. 6
JOHN TITTON ... .. 3	JOHN H. C. MASSEY ... .. 7
GEORGE STAFF ... .. 4	HERBERT DAVENPORT ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by W. BERRY. Conducted by H. DAVENPORT.

First peal in the method as conductor, also first peal of Bob Major on the bells.

ALMONDBURY, HUDDERSFIELD.  
On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt. 21 lb.

JOHN ROBERTSON ... .. <i>Treble</i>	ARTHUR GARNER ... .. 5
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 2	FRANK BLAKEBOROUGH ... .. 6
ALBERT ARMITAGE ... .. 3	JOHN WM. NUTTON ... .. 7
HARRY NUTTON ... .. 4	JAMES E. CARTER ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by J. E. JENKINSON. Conducted by H. NUTTON.

This is the first peal on the bells since they were recast and hung in an iron frame by Messrs. J. Taylor and Sons, Loughborough, in 1919.

CHRISTLETON, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Monday, Dec. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM ASTLE ... .. <i>Treble</i>	WILLIAM GRIFFITHS ... .. 5
SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... .. 2	GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 6
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 3	WALTER THOMAS ... .. 7
JOHN ROBERTS ... .. 4	THOMAS GRIFFITHS ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by G. R. JONES.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Walter Thomas, who is the esteemed conductor at the above tower. Quickest peal on the bells.

SEVENOAKS, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Tuesday, Dec. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 21 cwt.

REV. F. J. O. HELMORE ... .. <i>Treble</i>	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... .. 5
WILLIAM LATIER ... .. 2	HERBERT J. FORD ... .. 6
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... .. 3	FREDERICK WHITE ... .. 7
ISAAC EMERY ... .. 4	FREDERICK PAIGE ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

These bells have recently been overhauled and rebung by Messrs. Groombridge and Palmer, and the 'go' of them is all that can be desired. The above is the first peal that has been rung upon them since August, 1899. Six of the band were officers of the Association, there being the General Secretary, two District Secretaries and three District Representatives. The band were welcomed in the belfry by the Rector, Rev. W. E. Gilliatt.

NORTHAMPTON.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Tuesday, Dec. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

PITSTOW'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

MAURICE SMITH ... .. <i>Treble</i>	WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. 5
THOMAS LAW ... .. 2	FRED WILFORD ... .. 6
WILLIAM PARKER ... .. 3	TOM TEBBUTT ... .. 7
BERTIE O. SODEN ... .. 4	WILLIAM FAREY, JUN. ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.

\* 50th peal. Quickest peal on the bells.

CUBITT TOWN, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Dec. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN J. LAMB ... .. <i>Treble</i>	* EDWARD SMITH ... .. 5
WILLIAM PYE ... .. 2	GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 6
* ALFRED PRIOR ... .. 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7
REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 4	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

WILLIAM C. HART ... .. <i>Treble</i>	ALFRED W. GROVES ... .. 5
JOHN CAPP ... .. 2	JOHN DEARLOVE ... .. 6
ARTHUR H. WHITE ... .. 3	ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 7
CHARLES PALMER ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by GEORGE R. PYE.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Dec. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

* ALFRED MILLARD ... .. <i>Treble</i>	* ARTHUR R. THORNE ... .. 5
ALFRED WYATT ... .. 2	PERCY MERSON ... .. 6
* WILLIAM CORDING ... .. 3	JAMES HUNT ... .. 7
FRANK MILLARD ... .. 4	ARTHUR S. BOAR ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE.

Conducted by JAMES HUNT.

\* First peal of Major. Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. P. Merson.

ALDENHAM, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

REEVES' VARIATION.

Tenor 15 cwt.

EDWARD WHITBREAD ... .. <i>Treble</i>	HARRY LIGHTFOOT ... .. 5
THOMAS HULL ... .. 2	* HARRY HOLLOCK ... .. 6
JOHN MALYAN ... .. 3	* HORACE GOODENOUGH ... .. 7
† SYDNEY GARDNER ... .. 4	† ERNEST HUNT ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by THOMAS HULL.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal. ‡ First peal on 8 bells.

HEADCORN, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

HARRY BAKER ... .. <i>Treble</i>	WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... .. 5
PHILIP HODGKIN ... .. 2	ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. 6
WILLIAM E. PITMAN ... .. 3	BENJAMIN BAKER ... .. 7
CHARLES TRIBE ... .. 4	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by FRANK BENNETT.

Conducted by A. E. EDWARDS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. H. Lambert.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(EAST BERKS & SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S ONE-PART.		Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb.	
ROBERT WOOD ... .. Treble	...	ERNEST E. GOSLING ... .. 5	...
FREDERICK TINDALL ... .. 2	...	ARTHUR CROSS ... .. 6	...
JOSEPH GUTTRIDGE ... .. 3	...	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 7	...
RONALD FRANKLIN ... .. 4	...	FREDERICK MIDDLETON ... Tenor	...

Conducted by WILLIAM WELLING.

First attempt for a peal by all except ringers of the 3rd and 7th. The treble and 4th ringers are each 15 years old, 5th and 6th, 16, and tenor 17 years old. The peal was rung by the local Sunday service band as a compliment to Mr. J. Guttridge on his 74th birthday. The band tender their best thanks to him for his kind hospitality after the peal.

MOORSIDE, OLDHAM.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Dec. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Thomas, Moorside,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt. 0 qr. 18 lb.	
F. DUNKERLEY ... .. Treble	...
A. CLEGG ... .. 2	...
F. LAWTON ... .. 3	...
J. LEES ... .. 4	...
J. BUTTERWORTH ... .. 5	...
S. M. BUTTERWORTH ... .. 6	...
H. BARLOW ... .. 7	...
C. E. PLATT ... .. Tenor	...

Composed by W. HARRISON.

Conducted by C. E. PLATT.

Rung as a compliment to J. Hallas, one of the local band, for his 21st birthday. \* First peal in the method. Ringers of treble, 3rd, 7th and tenor belong to Moorside, 2nd to St. Mark's, 4th and 6th to St. Mary's, Oldham, 5th to East Crompton.

BUSHEY, HERTS.  
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. James,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.	
CHARLES H. HORTON ... .. Treble	...
FRANCIS A. SMITH ... .. 2	...
HUBERT EDEN ... .. 3	...
CHARLES N. LEMAN ... .. 4	...
WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD ... .. 5	...
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... .. 6	...
MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... .. 7	...
WILLIAM SEELEY ... .. Tenor	...

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by M. F. R. HIBBERT.  
Umpire: ARTHUR W. DIX.

The author's short course, seven-part peal; for calling see the 'Ringing World,' July 15th, 1921. The Umpire checked every call and six-end from manuscript. Quickest peal on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Francis A. Smith.

CHESTER-LE-STREET, DURHAM.  
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of SS. Mary and Cuthbert,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.	
GEORGE A. PICKERING ... .. Treble	...
ARTHUR PAYNE ... .. 2	...
ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 3	...
RICHARD THOMPSON ... .. 4	...
WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 5	...
WILLIAM STORY ... .. 6	...
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. 7	...
ARTHUR M. HALL ... .. Tenor	...

Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

\* First peal of Triples on the bells.

ROXBOROUGH, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Augustine,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.	
MISS P. UPSHER ... .. Treble	...
MISS E. K. PARKER ... .. 2	...
GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 3	...
WILLIAM SABAN ... .. 4	...
WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 5	...
GEORGE GRAY ... .. 6	...
GEORGE RADLEY ... .. 7	...
JOSEPH LADLEY ... .. Tenor	...

Conducted by G. RADLEY.

This was the conductor's 100th peal.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints,

**A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24½ cwt.	
JOHN T. BROTHWELL ... .. Treble	...
WILLIAM LAMBERT ... .. 2	...
CHARLES MASON ... .. 3	...
*GEORGE LEWIS ... .. 4	...
JOHN HOLMAN ... .. 5	...
ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 6	...
*WALTER ALLWOOD ... .. 7	...
JOHN FLINT ... .. Tenor	...

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

\* First peal in the method, and first in the method on the bells. Rung on the eve of the composer's 63rd birthday.

FRINDSBURY, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.	
*HARRY SPRINGATE ... .. Treble	...
FREDERICK RICHARDSON ... .. 2	...
WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 3	...
*FRANK BELSEY ... .. 4	...
CHARLES WINNER ... .. 5	...
WILLIAM J. WALKER ... .. 6	...
*CHARLES NORRIS ... .. 7	...
WILLIAM HAIGH ... .. Tenor	...

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by W. HAIGH.

First peal in the method on the bells. \* First peal in the method.

TITCHMARSH, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.	
JOHN COLEMAN ... .. Treble	...
JAMES M. NICKERSON ... .. 2	...
FRED STUBBS ... .. 3	...
FRANK KIRK ... .. 4	...
THOMAS WILSON ... .. 5	...
DANIEL REDHEAD ... .. 6	...
REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... .. 7	...
LESLIE GROOM ... .. Tenor	...

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON.

Conducted by LESLIE GROOM.

First peal of Major as conductor and first attempt.

SAMLESBURY, PRESTON.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(BLACKBURN AND PRESTON BRANCHES.)

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Leonard-the-Less,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

T. BROOKS' VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 19½ cwt.	
TOM STANCLIFFE ... .. Treble	...
FRED CHAMBERS ... .. 2	...
LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... .. 3	...
ALBC. MARTIN ... .. 4	...
*WILLIAM TAYLOR ... .. 5	...
JOHN WATSON ... .. 6	...
ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. 7	...
*JOHN BROWN ... .. Tenor	...

Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

\* First peal in method. Ringer of 3rd hails from Church Kirk, 4th from Preston, 5th from Penwortham, 8th from Houghton, rest from Blackburn.

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.	
OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. Treble	...
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 2	...
JAMES BURDFIELD ... .. 3	...
MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 4	...
WILLIAM STANFORD ... .. 5	...
ARTHUR J. BARTLETT ... .. 6	...
KEITH HART ... .. 7	...
PETER CHARMAN ... .. Tenor	...

Conducted by KEITH HART.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

➤ GREAT REDUCTIONS. ➤

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

HASFIELD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

On Tuesday, Nov. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE & ST. DUNSTON DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GEORGE ARNALD ... .. Treble	SAMUEL PRICE ... .. 4
*JOHN DEEN ... .. 2	*FREDERICK CHAMBERLAIN ... 5
CHARLES YOUNG ... .. 3	EDMUND CHAMBERLAIN ... Tenor

Conducted by S. PRICE.

\* First peal. Fourth and tenor ringers hail from Tirby, 3rd from Castlemorton, Malvern, rest are local.

PECKLETON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(HINGLEY DISTRICT)

On Saturday, Dec. 2, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

PERCY REYNOLDS ... .. Treble	CHARLES H. WEBB ... .. 4
FREDERICK E. WILSON ... 2	HENRY WRIGHT ... .. 5
*JOHN W. REYNOLDS ... .. 3	FRED COTTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. COTTON.

\* First peal of Minor. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of sympathy to Mrs. Pocock, the much respected and beloved wife of the Rector of Peckleton, the Rev. S. R. Pocock.

STAUNTON-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Dec. 3, 1922, in Three Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with 10 different callings. Tenor 13 cwt.

*JOSEPH T. MORRIS ... .. Treble	IVOR E. PROBERT ... .. 4
ARCHIE D. PROBERT ... .. 2	JAMES P. HYETT ... .. 5
EDGAR R. JONES ... .. 3	†JAMES RANDLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by P. J. HYETT.

\* First peal away from tenor. † First attempt for a peal. The ringers were kindly entertained to tea after the peal by Mr. Churchwarden Richards.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH  
ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Dec. 7, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Comprising 720 each of London, Wells, Durham, York, Beverley, Cambridge and Norwich.

EDWARD YOUNGS ... .. Treble	ALPHAUS J. BERRY ... .. 4
JAMES BETTS ... .. 2	ERNEST F. POPPY ... .. 5
WILLIAM CLOVER ... .. 3	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE CATTERMOLLE.

WOODFORD, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Dec. 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.

*CHARLES R. J. MORSS ... Treble	*LEONARD R. HOFF ... .. 4
*GEORGE E. WIGHTMAN ... 2	†ERNEST PLUMMER ... .. 5
CHARLES R. MORSS ... .. 3	EDGAR WIGHTMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal of Minor.

**ALFRED BOWELL**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**

WEST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's of Oxford and Kent, and one 720 each of College Exercise, Violet and Woodbine. Tenor 8 cwt.

RAYMOND WOOD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM DENMAN, JUN. ... 4
THOMAS ADAMS ... .. 2	JAMES BOWELL ... .. 5
ALBERT FIEST ... .. 3	WILLIAM STANFORD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. STANFORD.

FRANT, SUSSEX.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, Dec. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores called differently. Tenor 8 cwt.

*DONALD FINDLAY ... .. Treble	*JOHN MEDHURST ... .. 4
†FRANK BALLARD ... .. 2	ALEC RICHARDSON ... .. 5
BERNARD COLLISON ... .. 3	ERNEST LINES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALEC RICHARDSON.

First peal of Doubles by all the band, and believed to be the first peal of Doubles on the bells. \* First peal. † First peal away from treble. First as conductor. The band wish to thank the Rector and Churchwardens for the use of the bells.

QUINTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE FOUR SHIRES GUILD.

On Sunday, Dec. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores in 10 different callings. Tenor 14 cwt in F sharp

THOMAS SHEPARD ... .. Treble	SIDNEY ARTHUR ... .. 4
HORACE TERRY ... .. 2	WALTER LARGE ... .. 4
ERNEST WITHERS ... .. 3	SAMUEL RUSSELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER LARGE.

First peal on the bells. The ringer of the treble hails from Upper Quinton, 2nd from Ilmington, 3rd from Chipping Campden, 4th from Tredington, 5th from Stretton-on-Avose, 6th from Admington.

LLANGATTOCK, BRECONSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Dec. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CATHWG,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores. Tenor 17½ cwt.

SIDNEY D. EDWARDS ... .. Treble	ARTHUR POWELL ... .. 4
WILFRED WILLIAMS ... .. 2	GEORGE POPPILL ... .. 5
JOHN JONES ... .. 3	WILFRED L. WILLIAMS ... Tenor

Conducted by SIDNEY D. EDWARDS.

First peal by all except ringers of the 3rd and 5th. Ringer of the 2nd hails from Llanelly, Brecon, 5th and tenor from Bedwellty, Mon., 1st, 3rd and 4th are local ringers. First peal to be conducted by a local ringer. Rung for evening service on the back six bells.

SUCKLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, Dec. 10, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.

ROLAND LEWIS ... .. Treble	CHRIS, BOWERS ... .. 4
DAVID HORNE ... .. 2	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 5
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 3	GEORGE JORDAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. CAMM.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late J. Howells, who was a ringer at the above church for upwards of 40 years.

CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.—An attempt for a peal of Grandsire Triples had to be brought round after ringing two hours, owing to the bad going of the tenor: A. J. Bartlett (conductor) 1, G. Luff 2, E. Gale 3, W. Money 4, M. Smither 5, C. Bish 6, T. Atwell 7, A. Hockley (1st attempt) 8.

CHURCH KIRK, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's of St. Clement's and five of Plain Bob.

A. CHADWICK ... .. Treble	J. MARSH ... .. 4
A. INGHAM ... .. 2	L. J. WILLIAMS ... .. 5
W. AARON ... .. 3	*W. ASPINALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by L. J. WILLIAMS.

\* First peal.

BRATTON, WILTS.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Dec. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

*FRANK CARTER ... .. Treble	JESSE FRANCIS ... .. 4
WILLIAM BAXTER ... .. 2	SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. 5
*WILLIAM CHAPMAN ... .. 3	*BENJAMIN COOK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by SAMUEL J. HECTOR.

\* First peal.

**HANDBELL PEAL.**

CLAPHAM, SURREY.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT 63A, OLD TOWN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5016 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 16 in B flat.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 1-2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 7-8
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3-4	WILLIAM HEWETT ... .. 9-10
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 5-6	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD 11-12

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witnesses: Mrs. and Miss POLLING.

First peal of Grandsire Cinques by all the band and first by the  
above Association.

**'INJUSTICE TO FIVE AND SIX BELL RINGERS'**

To the Editor.

Sir,—I quite expected Mr. Willson to get out his battle-axes and slay me, but not in the way he attempted. There is no need for 'cap-fitting' to answer his letter on page 795. The personality I meant in my previous letter was that of 'W. W.' himself, for the first part of his letter on page 765 simply iterates what he has rung; where he has walked; what he is now doing; and this is quite outside the diploma scheme. You, sir, very wisely cut out one paragraph from my letter which showed my meaning perhaps too plainly.

Regarding the word 'bete-noire,' two private writers have pointed out my error in taking the literal meaning of the word, but also tell me such words are merely the stock-in-trade of the cheap journalist and hack writer.

I am quite able to uphold and state my own views without a prompter such as 'W. W.' insinuates, but to answer a ridiculous letter such as his on page 795, is impossible. There is no sense or argument in it. As far as self-advertisement is concerned, I think he knows more about that than I do.

I simply pointed out (without flowery language) his injustice to our less fortunate brethren with only five and six bells to practise on, and my 'hysterical' letter was the result of being so surprised at his attitude, when I possess documents he himself wrote supporting my views in the past. They make very bad reading against his present attitude.

I have received during the present week many letters of protest against such injustice to the five and six bell ringers, from which, did space and time permit, I would give extracts, but Mr. Willson or any other ringer can see them if they care to. It may be said why don't they write to the 'Ringing World' 'direct,' but it must be understood that most are ringers in country villages who feel themselves not up to such a standard of education as Mr. Willson's, to carry their letters through the Press.—Yours sincerely, ERNEST MORRIS.

**WEDDING BELLS.**

At Hayes, Kent, on December 13th, at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: J. Grandfield 1, H. Reader 2, J. Hack (conductor) 3, G. Harwood 4, O. Gilbey 5, J. Brown 6. Also, in 1 hr. 5 mins., a date touch (1,922 changes), comprising 482 Bob Minor. 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor and 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: J. Grandfield 1, H. Reader 2, F. Keech 3, G. Harwood 4, O. Gilbey 5, J. Hack (conductor) 6. Rung in honour of the marriage of Miss Brown, daughter of Mr. H. Brown, a ringer at the above church for upwards of 30 years.

**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH.**

**THE**  
**LEADING BELL FOUNDERS**



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570**

(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and**

**Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD**

**LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehangings.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

'A right merrie Christmas' to all our readers.

When we referred the other day to the anniversary of the first peal at St. Paul's we said Mr. Ted Horrex was the only survivor. We are glad to be able to say that there is still another member of the band who is alive and meeting the society: Mr. W. Tanner, who rang the eighth.

Mr. Tanner is living at East Ham. He is the one remaining member of the band that rang the first peal in Scotland, Grandsire Triples, at Dundee in 1873.

Forty-five years ago to-day the first peal by the Lancashire Association was rung.

The Christmas holidays have always been a favourite time for long peal attempts and several records, some of them afterwards broken, have been made during the Yuletide festival. Here are a number of noteworthy performances:

December 26th, 1831, 15,168 Kent Treble Bob Major, at Elland, Yorks, in 8 hrs. 43 mins.; 1885, 8,064 Double Norwich Major at Leiston in 5 hrs. 4 mins.; 1894, 9,312 Superlative Surprise at Crawley, Sussex, in 5 hrs. 20 mins.; 1910, 9,728 Superlative Surprise at Clent, Worcestershire, in 5 hrs. 52 mins.; 1901, 11,111 Stedman Cinques, St. Martin's, Birmingham, in 8 hrs. 2 mins.

December 27th, 1904, 17,104 Double Norwich Major at South Wigston, Leicestershire, in 10 hrs. 35 mins.; 1909, 10,176 Double Oxford Bob Major at Brierley Hill in 5 hrs. 55 mins.

One of the earliest peals of Treble Bob on record, of which the composition has been preserved, was rung on December 27th, 1718, by the Society of Union Scholars, at St. Dunstan's Church. It was described as Union Bob, and was what we now know as Oxford Treble Bob.

Thirty years ago, on Boxing Day, 1892, the first peal of Double Norwich was rung in Hampshire. This was rung on the back eight at Christchurch Priory Church, and later in the same day the same band rang another peal in the same method at St. Peter's, Bournemouth.

Youth honouring age was the underlying feature of the peal at Old Windsor on December 13th. Five boys (two of 15, two of 16 and one of 17) took part in a peal by the Sunday Service band to honour the 74th birthday of another member, Mr. J. Guttridge. And there were six first peals!

It is seldom that the services of an umpire are requisitioned for a tower bell peal, but in ringing the Rev. H. Law James' short-course seven-part peal of Stedman Triples at Bushey, which, after many attempts, was successfully brought round on Saturday, the band had a competent ringer to check the calls and the course ends.

Reference to the figures will show that an unscrupulous conductor could 'wangle' his part in the business, and the Bushey men, and particularly the conductor, were determined there should be no opportunity given to anyone to reflect upon their performance—wherein they are to be congratulated.

About ten attempts were made before the peal was rung, the last failure, about a fortnight ago, being in the last course, when the conductor, who admits that he 'got the wind up,' made a miss call.

'All ringers are welcome, and their efforts will be appreciated by the villagers,' is a note appended to the information that applications for permission to ring at Almondbury, Huddersfield, should be addressed to the Vicar (Dr. Longford). The bells are one of the best peals in the district, having been recast and rehung by Messrs. Taylor and Co. in 1919. The first peal has just been rung upon them.

Two of the foundation members of the Lancashire Association, Messrs. J. H. Garlside and J. Marsden, were present at a social gathering of the Preston Branch on Saturday week at Chorley, where, nearly fifty years ago, the formation of the association took place.

Ringers visiting Brighton will be welcome at St. Nicholas' Church, where the recast peal of the ten bells have just been reopened. There is ringing every Sunday at 9.30 a.m. and 6 p.m., and on Tuesday evenings at 8 p.m.

## ST. BUDEAUX CHURCH BELLS.

The peal of six bells at the Parish Church of St. Budeaux, Plymouth, have during the last few weeks been under expert restoration. Messrs. W. Aggett and Sons have put them in perfect ringing order, and hung them on their patent adjustable bearings. The work was tested by ringers from various Plymouth Churches on Wednesday of last week, and all were highly pleased with the easy 'go' of the bells and their improved tone, the bells having been quarter turned.

Messrs. W. Aggett and Sons are commencing the peal of six bells at Isington, Devon, within the next few weeks, and are carrying out work at many other towers in the West of England.

**RUISLIP BELLS.****A MIDDLESEX RESTORATION.**

The re-dedication of the bells at Ruislip Parish Church, Middlesex, 'to the glory of God and in honoured memory of 34 men of the parish who gave their lives for God, King and country, in the great war,' took place on Wednesday, Dec. 13th. The dedication was performed by the Very Rev. the Dean of Windsor, and before the address, the ringers' hymn, 'Lifted high within the steeple,' was sung.

The bells have been in a very bad state for the past ten years, and practically unringable, and the well-known firm of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have now put them into first-rate order. The work done includes a new steel girder foundation below the old oak frame, the recasting of 4th, 5th and tenor, tuning the whole peal and rehanging on new gudgeons and ball bearings, and new clappers with buffers. The tenor is 12½ cwt. in F sharp, and from the volume of sound and mellow tone might easily be taken for a much heavier bell. No comment need be made on the 'go' of them, except that when they were rung everyone wanted to pull harder than required.

Before the service the local band rang the bells to call changes, and immediately after the service, by the kindness of the Vicar and ringers who placed the bells at the disposal of a band of change ringers, a touch of 336 Grandsire Triples was rung by G. H. Gutteridge 1, F. W. Goodfellow 2, J. J. Pratt (conductor) 3, E. Hancox 4, P. Jones 5, W. Henley 6, H. H. Chandler 7, W. Honor 8, followed by three courses of Stedman Triples (E. Hancox, conductor), and in which Messrs. A. A. Hughes and A. R. Macdonald took part. With Kent Major and more Grandsire, the bells were kept going till 9.50 p.m. The ringing chamber is on the ground floor, and open to the church, and the ringing attracted a lot of attention, the opening to the belfry being crowded both before and after the service.

At the conclusion of the ringing a move was made to the reading room, where a plentiful supply of sandwiches, cakes, coffee and other drinks, were provided for the ringers, through the kindness of the churchwardens, who extended to the visitors a hearty welcome, and thanked them for the help they had afforded; also for the opportunity they had given them of hearing the bells in change ringing, and expressing the hope that their own band would take it up.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

The annual meeting of the Luton district took place on Saturday, Dec. 16th, at Dunstable, members being present from Luton, Leighton Buzzard, Linslade, Tring, Houghton Regis, Husbome Crawley, Harpenden, with a good muster of the local band. The bells were kept busy during the afternoon and evening in a number of methods from Grandsire Triples to Cambridge Surprise Major, the president (Canon W. W. C. Baker) having the satisfaction of ringing a first class course of Superlative Surprise at his first attempt.

The business meeting took place after tea, Mr. A. King (vice-president) being in the chair, owing to the president having to take evensong.

The officers were re-elected.—A proposition of Mr. E. J. Hobbs: 'That a quarterly peal should be attempted by the branch,' lead to an interesting discussion. Various members expressed their views, and it was decided to attempt Grandsire Caters at Leighton Buzzard, some time before Lent.

The next meeting is to take place at Leighton on January 13th so that members will have good opportunity for ten bell practice.

The usual votes of thanks were passed, and the tower again visited.

**A 'STRIKE' OF 25 YEARS AGO.**

Under the heading of a 'Quarter of a Century Ago,' the 'Ere-sham Standard' gives the following extract from its issue of Dec. 18th, 1897:—

'The threatened railway strike fades into insignificance in face of the tidings from Ilmington. The bell ringers have struck. And although up to the time of writing the military have not been called out, the circumstances of the strike have caused considerable excitement. On Friday there was a temperance lecture in the school-room, and the noise of the bells upset the nerves of the lecturer. A messenger was sent to the belfry with a request that the ringers should cease their labours. Ringers, maybe, are thirsty men, but I should not like to suggest that it was owing to any lack of sympathy with the subject of the lecture that they considered the action of the lecturer intemperate. That they resented the interference was apparent on Sunday when the ringers declined to perform their usual functions and a solitary bell, tolled by the sexton, chimed for service.'

'Strikes,' caused through the interference of outside people, often occurred at Ilmington years ago, we are informed.

**TWO PEALS TO BE REOPENED.**

The five bells at North Farnborough, which have been rehung with new fittings in a metal frame, by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, are to be opened on Sunday next at 11 a.m. by the Bishop of Winchester.

**ANOTHER PEAL OF TWELVE.****MACCLESFIELD BELLS TO BE RECAST AND AUGMENTED.**

Another peal is to be augmented to twelve. We are informed that it has been decided that the ten old bells at the Parish Church, Macclesfield, Cheshire, shall be recast and two trebles added, the tenor to be about 28 cwt. in D. It is expected that the bells will be ready by Easter.

**WHAT DOES DIOCESAN MEAN?****To the Editor.**

Sir,—Besides the local and personal interest aroused by the Norfolk claims, there are some points which are of general interest. Such are the claims made by the Norwich Association to:—

- (1) Annex new territory.
- (2) Maintain a monopoly.
- (3) Create a Diocesan Association.

The position is this: none of the ringers in West Suffolk wish to belong to the Norwich Association. All the ringers in East Suffolk wish to remain members. As East Suffolk is very much larger than West, it follows that the great majority of Suffolk ringers belong to the Norwich Association. No one has taken any steps to withdraw them from that association; nor has anyone even suggested it, except Mr. Coleman in the extraordinary scheme he drew up and published in your columns.

A Diocesan Association has been started by the West Suffolk men, under the auspices of the Bishop, and all the Diocesan Authorities; and some of us in East Suffolk wish to belong to it as well as to the old association. This action has been resented, and we are told that the old association has always had a monopoly in East Suffolk; and that, as they have the majority of Suffolk ringers, the minority ought not to belong to any other association in the county. In support of this they have added the words 'St. Edmundsbury' and 'Diocesan' to their name.

When these matters have been discussed, the Norfolk ringers have always given as their reason, that the Norwich Association is at the top of the analysis of peals, and that they ought to make their position there secure. Is this cricket? It seems to me that it is a matter which other associations ought to decide, and not the interested competitor; and most of all the Central Council, as long as it is responsible for the analysis.

If the old association is right in annexing St. Edmundsbury by the scratch vote of a tiny committee meeting, without any notice, it could equally casually annex Ely and Chelmsford, and, perhaps, with better reason. Does the Exercise generally think that an association should add to its title the name of a town where it has no members, and has never held a meeting, and never will? What is the difference between this and false pretences, or fraudulently enrolling members or recording peals?

A society which takes the title of Diocesan tells everyone that it is the society which the Bishop, and other Diocesan Authorities support; and people join that society solely because it is guaranteed by their Bishop. Our Bishop has plainly told the Norwich Association that there cannot be two 'Diocesan' Associations in one Diocese; that he has his own association in this diocese; and as the old association have not withdrawn their false step in assuming the name of his diocese, he has resigned his membership.

Usually a diocese is considered to be a number of churches under the rule of a Bishop. It is hardly a geographical area ruled by a few laymen in a neighbouring city. Yet the Norwich Association claim to set aside our Bishop when they do not agree with him. Three or four of them actually expelled me from their Committee because I fell in with the Bishop's wishes about the time for holding a meeting.

A diocesan society further means that it is a society of church workers doing their work under the clergy. In what way has the Norwich Association altered its procedure in this direction since its assumption of diocesan obligations? Not only is this self-styled Diocesan Association unable to find a secretary, but at its last meeting at Ipswich the single clergyman from Suffolk had not any of his brother clergy to associate themselves with him; while the dignitaries who were brought in from Norfolk were given the uncomfortable impression that they were not wanted in this diocese.

The position has been rendered very difficult, but so far no harm has been irretrievably done to the old association. If it will resume its old position of a lay society for change ringing, I am sure it will meet with as much support as of old. At present it is very difficult to us clergy to sanction our ringers belonging to a society our Bishop has left: which acts under what looks very like a fraudulent title, and which records peals under an appearance of false pretences—in a church of all places.

H. DRAKE.

Ufford Rectory, Woodbridge, Suffolk.

This (Friday) evening the peal of eight at Otley, Yorkshire, are to be reopened. The bells have been recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

**HANDSWORTH RINGERS AT DINNER.****HAPPY GATHERING AT SHEFFIELD.**

The second anniversary of the St. Mary's Guild of Ringers was held in the Church Schoolroom, Handsworth, Sheffield, on Saturday week. The admirable arrangements made by the Guild, coupled with the excellent catering of Mr. and Mrs. Turner, of the Old Crown Inn, made the gathering extremely enjoyable.—The President of the Guild (the Rev. W. A. Baker, Rector) presided over a party of 46, exactly half of the company being members of the Guild. Among the visitors were the Rev. J. F. Amies (Chesterfield), Miss Butcher (Richmond), Miss I. Barker (Retford), and Miss Allan (Derby), etc. Immediately after dinner the toast of 'The King' was honoured, followed by an excellent course of Grandsire Caters, on handbells, by Master J. Taylor (age 13) 1-2, Mr. W. Taylor 3-4, Mr. H. Wilson 5-6, Mr. W. Godden 7-8, Mr. F. Cardwell 9-10.

The toast of 'The Church' was proposed by Mr. F. Cardwell, who spoke of the work of the Church, pointing to the magnificent Cathedrals and parish churches which were, he said, a tangible sign of what the Church had done in the past. Concerning the present, he went on to say, that if it were not for the work of the Church, England would soon be in the same chaotic state as that in which Russia found herself to-day (applause).—The Rev. W. A. Baker responded.

Mr. A. T. Baker submitted 'Success to St. Mary's Guild.' It was, he said, a great honour to be entrusted with the toast of the evening, and he went on to compliment Mr. F. Watkinson and the Guilds on their success in the past, which was unprecedented at all events in that district. Unquestionably, further successes would follow, from the very fact that Mr. Watkinson had planted what he (the speaker) considered 'the ideal standard' in the tower at Handsworth, for the ringers were elected with the consent of the incumbent, and were recruited from the east end of the church, and not from the street corners (applause). Success, continued the speaker, was bound to follow a Guild who rang for what they could put into the ringing, and not for what they could get out of it (applause).

The toast was enthusiastically honoured, and Mr. W. Taylor, who was cordially received, responded. He remarked that although the Guild had made rapid progress, he considered it was entirely due to the unflinching efforts of Mr. Watkinson (applause).—Mr. J. Garth, hon. secretary to the Guild, proposed 'The Visitors,' in very felicitous terms, and this was acknowledged by the Rev. J. F. Amies, who, in a very racy speech, thanked the Guild for the very kind and hospitable manner in which they had been entertained (applause).

During the evening a large Christmas cake, surmounted with a silver bell, was drawn for. Miss Muriel A. Baker had the good fortune to obtain the highest score, and, as the Rector (who is the very heart and soul of geniality) humorously remarked, Miss Baker took the cake.

The speeches were interspersed with musical items, Mrs. W. A. Baker, wife of the Rector, acting as accompanist at the piano. The Rector contributed a song, 'No. 1'; Messrs. J. and W. Taylor effectively rendered 'Convent Bell'; the Rev. J. F. Amies contributed two songs, 'Sally and I in the daylight,' and 'Simon the Cellarer'; the Misses Irene Liddgett, E. Lakin and Dixon also rendered some delightful songs. Miss Maria Liddgett gave a pianoforte solo, 'Rock of Ages,' and Miss Muriel A. Baker rendered violin solos, 'Dreams' and 'Andante.' Mr. H. Buckler contributed a monologue very effectively, and Miss Allan, of Derby, recited 'Death or Glory,' both being received with loud applause. 'The Alpine Waltz' and 'Callers' Herring' were rung on handbells by Mr. W. Taylor, Miss Eva Hopkins and Master J. Taylor, and the performance reflected great credit on the contributors. Touches of Grandsire, Bob and Forward Major were also rung upon handbells by four of the Guild. These exhibitions were enthusiastically received, and showed what progress the Guild is making all round. Quite a feature of the evening's entertainment was the fact that, with the exception of the Rev. J. F. Amies, Mr. J. Taylor and the Misses Allan and Dixon, the artistes are all members of the Handsworth Guild.

Later in the evening the youngsters indulged in games, while the older folk did a little 'tripping,' which brought to an end a very enjoyable gathering, the proceedings concluding with the National Anthem.

**RECORD PRACTICE GATHERING AT ACTON**

On Thursday, Dec. 7th, thirty ringing friends turned up to the usual practice at St. Mary's Church—a record number for an ordinary weekly gathering at this belfry. The towers represented were Bath, Watford, Willesden, Stanmore, Tottenham, St. Clement Danes, and Ealing. After 1½ hours spent in ringing touches in various methods, the opportunity was taken of piloting three friends through their first quarter-peal of Double Norwich in 42 minutes: #H. Wincote 1, F. Goodfellow 2, \*Miss Norah Williams 3, G. R. Fardon 4, H. Kilby 5, G. Kilby 6, \*E. W. Coulson 7, J. A. Trollope (conductor) 8.

**DEVON GUILD.****SPLENDID PROGRESS BY EXETER BRANCH.**

The third annual meeting of the Exeter Branch of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers was held at St. David's, Exeter, on Saturday, December 9th. The proceedings opened with a service at the Parish Church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. C. E. Burkitt), who gave an impressive address. Tea was subsequently provided in the Parish Institute, and among those present being the President of the Guild (the Rev. Maitland Kelly), the chairman of the branch (Mr. E. Shepherd), the secretary and treasurer (Mr. N. J. Southwood), the assistant secretary (Mr. J. C. Oke), the Archdeacon of Exeter (the Ven. F. A. Sanders), and the Revs. J. B. Ball (Littleham), E. B. Cox (Bampton), K. A. Lake (Heavitree), B. C. Bennett (Alphington), C. E. Burkitt (St. David's), E. S. Powell (general secretary of the Guild), F. H. G. Knight (Upton Pyne), H. B. Clark (Honiton Clist). Letters of apology for absence were read from the Lord Bishop of Crediton, Canon McLaren, Canon Boles, the Revs. T. Bell Salter, S. G. Bassett Pike, E. G. B. Weber, S. D. Dewey, E. C. Grimaldi, F. Robson, Miss Sanders and Mr. S. Hull. A letter was also read from the Dean and Chapter granting the use of the Cathedral bells, the use of which is always much appreciated.

Mr. E. Shepherd expressed great satisfaction at the large gathering, which was a record for the branch, and especially at the presence of the Archdeacon of Exeter, and so many other clergy.—The Rev. Maitland Kelly congratulated the branch upon the instructional work accomplished during the last twelve months in the surrounding district.

On the motion of the chairman, the Rev. C. E. Burkitt was thanked for conducting the service, and Mr. F. G. Bradford for presiding at the organ.

The treasurer's report showed that there are 37 hon. members against 23 last year; 16 bands, numbering 150 members, against 12 bands, numbering 97 members. The subscriptions were £12 7s., an advance of over £4.

Mr. J. C. Oke, in the secretary's report, said it was very gratifying to find that excellent progress had been made during the year, the growth being largely due to the splendid efforts of Messrs. Shepherd and Southwood, both of whom had spent a great deal of time in going to the various towers throughout the district, enlisting the sympathy and help of the clergy and ringers. He also drew the attention of those present to the fact that their thanks ought to be given to the men who had given their time to instructing the different bands. Successful quarterly meetings had been held at Thorverton, Otterton and Honiton Clist, and all were well attended. He expressed indebtedness to the Press, naming the 'Devon and Exeter Gazette,' the 'Express and Echo' and 'The Ringing World,' for their kindness in publishing reports of the meetings, and mentioning what valuable help the publicity of the Press was to change ringing.

All the officers were re-elected, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Alphington on February 10th.

During the tea, Mr. W. Weeks delighted the company (of about 100) with a Devonshire dialect recitation, 'How Jan Stewer filled up his census paper.'

The bells of the Cathedral and various parish churches were rung during the afternoon and evening, and the members were pleased to have with them visitors from Swindon and Ilminster.

**RINGERS' SILVER WEDDING CELEBRATION.**

On Saturday afternoon, Dec. 9th, as already recorded, a peal of Bob Major was rung at Holy Trinity Church, Guildford, in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Melville, in which both took part. In the evening the Holy Trinity Society were invited, with their wives, families and friends, to further celebrate the event at Brett's Restaurant.

As a silver wedding occurs only once in the lives of most people, it was decided to make the most of this event. About forty persons sat down to tea, at which the Rector of Holy Trinity (the Rev. Canon E. C. Kirwan) presided. After the meal, the Rector made an appropriate speech, and handed to Mr. and Mrs. Melville an engraved silver teapot. He then proposed the toast of the evening, 'The health of the Bride and Bridegroom'—of twenty-five years ago. This was drunk with enthusiasm, and Mrs. and Mr. Melville suitably replied, thanking the company for their handsome present.

Handbells were then brought into use, after which the evening was given up to enjoyment, songs being contributed by members of the party.

Mr. Weatherby, on behalf of the company, then thanked Mr. and Mrs. Melville for their hospitality, and said that he hoped all those present would be able to attend the golden wedding celebrations 25 years hence. Hands were linked, and with 'Auld Lang Syne' a most enjoyable evening was brought to its conclusion.

On Monday evening, Dec. 11th, the actual anniversary of the wedding day, a handbell peal was rung at Mr. Melville's residence, as a finale to the celebrations.



# Sunday Service Ringers' Page.

**GUILDFORD.**—At Holy Trinity Church, for evensong, on Sunday, Dec. 17th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 49 mins.: R. Philpot (first quarter-peal in the method) 1, W. E. Jelley 2, F. Clarke 3, A. H. Pulling 4, H. Hutton 5, E. Weatherby 6, G. W. Steere (first quarter in method as conductor) 7, H. Harris 8.

**ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.**—On Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for evensong, in 43 mins.: 1,218 Erin Triples: C. Cotterell 1, G. F. Swann (conductor) 2, W. J. Meers 3, H. C. Spencer 4, G. F. Garrison 5, J. W. Pemberton 6, J. Preston 7, C. H. Vitler 8.

**BANBURY.**—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, for evensong, 168 Grandsire Triples: L. Lewis 1, F. Baldwin 2, W. Tandy 3, M. Smith (conductor) 4, R. W. Burrows 5, J. Simons 6, F. Selwyn 7, T. Impey 8. First 168 of Triples by a local band for service.

**HATFIELD, DONCASTER.**—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, for Confirmation service, 720 Bob Minor: B. England 1, H. Marshall 2, E. Purdy 3, R. Thompson 4, H. Rodwell 5, D. England (conductor) 6, R. Rodwell 7 (covering). The first 720 by the ringer of the treble. Great credit is due to him, as he has never had a practice night, and only started to pull a bell this year. Also for evensong, 720 in the same method: B. England 1, H. Crowe (conductor) 2, H. Marshall 3, D. England 4, H. Rodwell 5, R. Thompson 6, R. Rodwell 7 (covering).

**WEEKLEY, NORTHANTS.**—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, for evensong, 720 Oxford Bob: C. Moore 1, Miss K. Moore 2, R. F. Lawrence 3, R. G. Black 4, D. Shatford 5, R. W. Lawrence (conductor) 6. First in the method by a local band, and by all except the ringer of 4.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, for evening service, at St. Giles', Cripplegate, City, 1,193 Stedman Cinques, in 56 mins.: J. R. Gammon 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, Mrs. A. D. Barker 3, T. W. Taffender, junr., 4, A. Harris 5, F. W. Rogers 6, G. A. Card 7, I. J. Attwater 8, A. G. Rivers 9, A. D. Barker 10, J. Bullock 11, W. J. Hewson 12. Longest touch on 12 by 4th, 5th, 6th, and of Stedman Cinques by the 9th, who is from Dry Drayton, Cambridge. The 5th and 6th are from Portsmouth.

**CHURCHKIRK, LANCs.**—On Nov. 12th, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor: A. Chadwick 1, A. Ingham 2, W. Aaron 3, J. Marsh 4, W. Aspinall 5, L. Williams (conductor) 6. Rung as a birthday compliment to Leslie L. Williams, son of the conductor.

**BLEWBURY, BERKS.**—At St. Michael's Church, on Sunday, Nov. 12th, for morning service, with the bells half-muffled, being Armistice Sunday, 630 Grandsire Triples, in 25 mins.: H. Greenough 1, R. F. Prior 2, W. J. Grace 3, C. E. Gregory 4, F. G. James (conductor) 5, B. Corderoy 6, A. H. Webb 7, A. T. Busby 8.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Nov. 12th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (from 'riots' Original'), in 44 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr., 1, A. H. Fulwell 2, A. M. Stacey 3, H. J. Hunnisett 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, F. W. Goodfellow 6, L. H. Page 7, W. A. Hunnisett 8. Conducted by A. M. Stacey at first attempt.

**GLOSSOP, DERBYSHIRE.**—At the Church of St. James's, Whitfield, for Divine service, on Sunday evening, Nov. 5th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 27 mins.: J. Buckley (conductor) 1, T. Jackson 2, B. Bradley (first 720) 3, J. Marsden 4, H. Bradley 5, J. Lawton 6.

**GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.**—In connection with the Patronal Festival of All Saints, a quarter-peal of Minor (1,260 changes), in seven methods, being 144 Double Court, 120 Double Oxford, 288 Woodbine Treble Bob, 144 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, 240 Oxford and 180 Plain Bob Minor, was rung on All Saints' Day: J. Ball 1, A. Ball (first quarter in seven methods) 2, W. Hayo 3, G. Blaxley 4, J. Hudson 5, F. Ball (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, for early celebration, 720 Kent Treble Bob: F. Ball 1, A. Ball 2, W. Hayo 3, J. Ball 4, J. Hudson 5, G. Blaxley 6.—For evening service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: J. Ball 1, A. Ball 2, W. Hayo 3, G. Blaxley 4, J. Hudson 5, F. Ball 6. F. Ball called the bobs in each.

**FARNHAM, SURREY.**—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, at St. Andrew's Church, for morning service, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes), of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: Miss W. King 1, H. Prior 2, E. J. Le Clercq 3, G. Upshall 4, E. Clapshaw 5, T. Upshall 6, R. Hasted senr. (conductor), 7, A. E. King 8.—For evening service, 336 Grandsire Triples: R. Knott 1, Miss W. King 2, H. Prior 3, E. J. Le Clercq 4, E. Clapshaw 5, G. Upshall 6, R. Hasted, senr. (conductor), 7, A. E. King 8.

**FALING, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, at St. Mary's Parish Church, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr., 1, J. H. Hunnisett 2, A. H. Fulwell 3, A. M. Stacey (first quarter-peal as conductor) 4, F. W. Goodfellow 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, L. H. Page 7, C. Cooper 8.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist, on Sunday, Nov. 5th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. W. Pannett 1, J. Crowder 2, H. James (Lee) 3, E. J. Pannett 4, E. B. Crowder 5, T. A. Easterby 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, A. F. Bennington 8.

**PAIGNTON, DEVON.**—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) was rung in 48 mins.: F. Allwood 1, H. W. Wilkis (conductor) 2, J. S. Collings 3, F. Norrish 4, C. F. Austin 5, F. T. Grover 6, H. J. Hole 7, F. L. Parnill 8. Arranged for the conductor, who is chairman of Mid-Devon branch.

**ABINGDON, BERKS.**—On Sunday, Oct. 29th, for evening service, at St. Helen's, 1,259 Stedman Caters, in 52 mins.: W. H. Holifield 1, F. Barrett 2, J. Honey 3, Mrs. A. E. Lock 4, H. Holifield 5, A. E. Lock 6, E. Humfrey (conductor) 7, J. Short 8, G. Caudwell 9, P. Dyke 10. First quarter-peal in the method on the bells by an entirely local band, and first attempt.

**CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.**—On Sunday, Oct. 29th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): Miss Mabel Attwell 1, W. G. Brockhurst 2, T. Luff 3, G. Luff 4, T. Attwell 5, M. Smither 6, A. J. Bartlett (conductor) 7, G. Wheatley 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Attwell, and a farewell to G. Wheatley, who was leaving the place.

**HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On Sunday, Oct. 29th, before evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. A. Goodenough 1, W. V. Webb 2, A. H. Webb 3, K. White 4, R. G. Rice 5, T. Jakeman 6, T. F. East (conductor) 7, W. Warwick 8.

**DARLINGTON, DURHAM.**—On Sunday, Oct. 29th, at the Church of Holy Trinity, for evensong, 578 London Surprise Minor: C. S. Burden 1, F. Atkinson 2, G. W. Park (conductor) 3, W. N. Park 4, W. H. Porter 5, Chas. Todd 6.

**BURSELEM, STAFFS.**—On Sunday, Oct. 29th, at the Parish Church, a 720 of Woodbine was rung for evening service: H. Box 1, P. Kelsall 2, A. Lees 3, J. Hurd 4, T. Hurd 5, T. Hilditch (conductor) 6.

**HYDE.**—On Sunday, Oct. 29th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,259 changes), in 43 mins.: W. Shaw 1, J. Shaw 2, J. Brierley 3, H. Norgrove 4, A. Houghton 5, A. Howley (conductor) 6, T. Wilde 7, J. Howcroft 8. Arranged for the conductor who hails from Tipton, Staffordshire.

**FINCHAMSTEAD, BERKS.**—On Sunday, Oct. 22nd, for harvest festival, evensong, 720 Bob Minor: J. White 1, E. Milam 2, J. Mason 3, W. Goddard 4, J. Nash 5, W. J. Paice (conductor) 6.—On Sunday, Nov. 5th, for evensong, 720 in same method: J. White 1, J. Mason 2, E. Milam 3, W. J. Paice 4, J. Nash 5, W. Goddard (conductor) 6.

**ABINGDON, BERKS.**—On Sunday, Oct. 22nd, at St. Helen's Church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,259 changes), in 52 mins.: W. H. Holifield 1, F. Barrett 2, J. Honey 3, Mrs. A. E. Lock 4, H. Holifield 5, E. Lock 6, E. Humfrey (conductor) 7, T. Short 8, G. Caudwell 9, P. Dyke 10. The first quarter-peal on the bells by an entirely local band.

**LINCOLN.**—On Sunday, Oct. 22nd, at St. Peter-at-Arches, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: F. Consans (first quarter-peal) 1, C. McGuinness 2, L. Snell (conductor) 3, Rev. R. Bond 4, H. Marson 5, G. Almonds 6, L. Pask 7, A. Marson 8.

**WASHFIELD, DEVON.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Oct. 22nd, for morning service, 720 Grandsire Doubles: Miss G. Snell 1, R. Stuart 2, T. Arscott 3, F. Taylor 4, W. Snell (conductor) 5, F. Balment 6.—For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: Miss G. Snell 1, R. Stuart 2, T. Arscott 3, H. May 4, W. Snell (conductor) 5, F. Taylor 6. Rung in honour of the visit of the Bishop of Sodor, who preached at both services.

**PULHAM MARKET, NORFOLK.**—On Sunday, Oct. 22nd, for morning service, 896 Superlative Surprise Major: E. Whiting 1, C. Baker 2, J. Allen 3, R. Whiting 4, A. Smith 5, C. Roops 6, F. Borrett 7, C. Brice 8.—For evening service, 1,008 Stedman Triples: E. Whiting 1, C. Baker 2, A. Smith 3, R. Whiting 4, C. Cutting 5, J. Snelling 6, F. Borrett 7, J. Boughton 8.

**WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sunday, Oct. 15th, for morning service, a 560 Bob Major by R. Kilby 1, E. Lankester 2, G. M. Kilby 3, B. Foskett 4, W. G. Mathews 5, C. V. Ebberson (conductor) 6, T. Newman 7, H. Kilby 8.—Also for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) by P. Norton 1, G. V. Ebberson 2, G. M. Kilby 3, E. Lankester 4, W. G. Mathews 5, H. Kilby 6, F. H. Crook (conductor) 7, R. Kilby 8.

**MIDDLESBROUGH.**—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, Oct. 1st, for evening service, 672 Stedman Triples: W. Jones 1, C. Pollard 2, W. Breckon 3, W. Ellerington 4, S. Tunnell 5, T. Lancaster 6, T. Metcalfe (conductor) 7, G. Worthy 8.—On Sunday, Oct. 15th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): W. Jones 1, S. Lancaster 2, S. Tunnell 3, T. Metcalfe 4, W. Ellerington 5, W. Breckon 6, C. Pollard (conductor) 7, G. Worthy 8.—On Sunday, Nov. 4th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: W. Jones 1, T. Metcalfe 2, J. W. Passman 3, W. Ellerington 4, S. Tunnell 5, T. Lancaster 6, C. Pollard (conductor) 7, G. Worthy 8.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. SOUTHERN DIVISION AT ROTHERHAM.

A very successful meeting of the Southern Division was held at Rotherham on Saturday, December 9th, upwards of 40 members and friends being present, the towers represented being Sheffield Cathedral; All Saints' Sheffield; Ranmoor, Rawmarsh, Doncaster, Arksey, Ecclesfield, Barnsley, Tickhill, Wortley, Wath, Badsworth. Owing to a Consistory Court being held in the church no ringing could be done at the Parish Church, but arrangements had been made whereby the peal of eight at Eastwood were kindly placed at the disposal of the visitors, and various touches in the standard methods were rung. For the same reason the service which had been arranged had to be cancelled.

An excellent tea was provided by the local company, and was very much enjoyed by those present. At the meeting which followed, the Rev. Canon Allen (the Vicar of Rotherham) took the chair. He said how very pleased he was to welcome the association to Rotherham, and was very sorry they could not have the service as arranged. He was used to being among ringers, as he had been an hon. member and vice-president of the Sussex Association for many years. He was at Eastbourne for 17 years, and during that time the ringers at his church only once failed to ring on Sundays, and that was owing to the bell-ringer key being lost. He also remembered eight members of the Sussex Association meeting 32 times for a peal. At the 33rd they were successful, and one man walked five miles for each attempt, which showed that ringers were at least persevering. He hoped he would be able to say the same of the ringers at Rotherham. He would take great interest in them, and try and be worthy of the honour done to him.

The Canon was later in the meeting elected an hon. member of the association.

Owing to a meeting of the general committee of the association at Leeds, the secretary was unable to be present, his place kindly being taken by Mr. G. Clark, a member of the committee. Mr. J. Dronfield, of Wortley, and Master G. Jackson, of Doncaster, were elected members of the association.

The next meeting was fixed for March 17th, 1923, the place to be arranged by the secretary, as no invitation had been sent in.

A committee, consisting of Mr. G. Lewis (chairman), Mr. S. F. Palmer (secretary), Mr. P. Willey (treasurer), and Messrs. C. Harrison, C. Haynes, G. Holmes, W. Bugar and J. Thorpe was elected to make arrangements for the Commemoration Dinner of the Association, to be held in Sheffield in September next.

Votes of thanks of the local company for their splendid tea and hearty welcome, also to Canon Allen for presiding, brought the meeting to a close.

Ringings in a variety of methods was enjoyed during the evening, touches of Stedman and Grandsire Caters, Bob Royal, Cambridge Surprise Major, Double Norwich, and the four standard methods being rung.

## SIDMOUTH BELLS RESTORED.

### DEVON PEAL REHUNG.

On St. Nicholas' Day, December 6th, the bells of the Parish Church of St. Nicholas, Sidmouth, Devon, were first rung, after being rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, the famous Whitechapel bell founders. The bells were first condemned twenty-five years ago, but no action was taken until April of this year, when a report that the bells were in a very dangerous condition aroused the Church Council to the fact that something must be done at once. In the meantime the bells had got into very bad condition; the clappers were loose, and the heads of most of them were worn quite flat, and some were split, while one of the bells was cracked. The peal sounded quite out of tune, and most unmusical. It was at first decided to have the bells rehung in the old-fashioned way, with wooden headstocks and gun metal bearings, but the advantages of modern bell hanging having been explained to the committee, it was decided to have the peal restored in the most up-to-date manner. The old oak frame, which was found to be in an excellent state of preservation, has been utilised and the bells rehung with iron headstocks, ball bearings, new clappers fitted with clapper buffers, and new fittings throughout. The fifth has been recast with excellent results. The work has been ably carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank in their usual efficient manner, the 'go' of the bells being as near perfect as it possibly can be. The improvement in the tone is most marked, and has been the talk of the town.

An invitation was sent to all the members of the East Devon Guild to try the bells, and about 50 availed themselves of the opportunity, among them being some of the ablest ringers in the county. They were unanimous in their praise of the work done.

The ringers were entertained to tea in the Church House by the Vicar and churchwardens, the Vicar expressing a wish that the next association meeting might be held at Sidmouth.

The dedication ceremony was performed by the Vicar, on Sunday morning, December 10th, in the presence of a large congregation, and special services were held throughout the day.

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

### STOCKPORT BRANCH DISCUSS PEAL BOOKING FEES.

The last meeting of the year of the Stockport branch was held at Cheadle on Saturday, and in spite of the murky weather, was very well attended. The service was conducted by the Rector, who gave a hearty welcome, and a most inspiring and interesting address.

After doing justice to a splendid repast, provided by the local company, the business meeting proceeded, with Mr. A. Barnes in the chair, the branch chairman being unavoidably absent. Reference was made to the efforts of the Nantwich ringers to raise the cost of one of the new bells to be placed in their tower, and it was decided to open a subscription list in the branch in aid of this effort, contributions to be sent to the hon. secretary, the Rev. A. T. Beeston, New Mills. All tower secretaries will receive an appeal to collect from members of their own company.

Amongst other matters brought up for discussion was the question of a small booking fee for peals. This was left over for consideration, and is to be brought up at the annual meeting to be held at Reddish early in the New Year.

After the usual votes of thanks had been accorded, further use was made of the tower bells, and handbells were also requisitioned.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

A very pleasant meeting of the Bristol Branch was held at Brislington on Saturday, December 16th. The bells were raised soon after 3 p.m., and several touches of Grandsire and Plain Bob were rung. Service, which was fully choral, was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. S. R. Worters), who gave a very interesting address on the golden bells adorning the high priest's robes. After service, some 32 members, representing 12 towers, were entertained to an excellent tea served in the new Parish Hall.

The Rev. S. R. Worters gave the association a very hearty welcome to Brislington.—Mr. H. T. Howell (Master) thanked the Vicar for the kind invitation extended to the association, and for the very interesting address at the service. He also thanked the choir and organist, and last but not least, the ladies for preparing such an excellent tea (applause).

The tower was again visited, Plain and Treble Bob, Grandsire, Stedman and Cambridge being rung, and terminating a very successful meeting.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

### NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.

A quarterly meeting of the North Bucks Branch was held at Linslade on Saturday, Dec. 9th, when a goodly number of members attended, representing Bletchley, Beachampton, Calverton, Fenny Stratford, Stony Stratford, Simpson, Great Brickhill, Newport Pagnell, and the local tower, with a few visiting members of the Beds Association. The address at the service was given by the Master (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn), and, needless to say, was appreciated.

After service the members adjourned for tea, which had been arranged by Mr. Vickers, of Linslade, and about 36 sat down, with Miss A. Robinson in the chair, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn having unavoidably to return home directly after service.

After tea, the secretary reported that no special business had to be transacted, but votes of thanks were passed to the Master for his attendance; the Rev. Lydekker for so kindly having the meeting at Linslade, and to Miss Robinson for taking the chair. The ringers then indulged in further ringing, some going to Leighton, others to Linslade. The methods rung during the afternoon ranged from Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and Bob Major to Cambridge Surprise Major.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

### CHRISTCHURCH DISTRICT.

The annual meeting was held at Christchurch on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Members attended from Bournemouth, Milford, Ringwood, Lymington and Poole, and the local band was well represented. The bells were kept going from 3 to 9 p.m., at intervals, in Grandsire Triples and Caters, Stedman Triples and Caters, Plain and Treble Bob, and Double Norwich Major. The annual service was held in the choir of the glorious old Priory Church, at which the Vicar (the Rev. W. H. Gay) said the Guild office, and the vice-president (the Rev. C. E. Matthews) gave an address on Romans iii. 8.

A capital tea was served after service at the Corner Cafe, at which 51 sat down, and the annual business meeting followed.

All the district officers were re-elected, and it was decided during 1923 to attempt the following peals: Grandsire Caters at Christchurch; Treble Bob Major at Ringwood; Stedman Triples at Lymington, and Grandsire Triples at Fordingbridge.

Mr. George Williams, Master of the Guild, was present, and the vice-president was in the chair at the meeting.

The usual votes of thanks were given to the Vicar and churchwardens, and to Mr. George Preston, district secretary, for his excellent arrangements.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting will be held at Llandaff on Tuesday, Dec. 26th. Bells (10) available. Service in the Cathedral at 4 o'clock. Tea and business meeting to follow. St. John's bells, Cardiff, available from about mid-day until 3 o'clock, and after the meeting.—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Isle of Wight District.—The annual meeting will be held on Boxing Day at Newport. Bells available 2 p.m., at St. Thomas', Newport, and St. Mary's, Carisbrooke. Service at 4 p.m., addressed by Canon Thompson, M.A., Vicar of Newport. Tea at 4.45. Business meeting after. All intending to be present at tea please notify Secretary by 22nd inst.—W. Upton, 10, Elm Grove, Newport.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The bells of East Retford (10) will be open for ringing on Boxing Day, Dec. 26th, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. with brief stoppages for marriages, etc. Open to all concerned, and I shall be glad to see a good attendance of ringers. A happy Christmas and a bright New Year to all ringers in the British Isles and beyond the seas.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Bolton, on Saturday, 30th Dec. Bells available 3 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. Meeting 7.30 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Secretary, 204, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Chichester on Saturday, Dec. 30th. Bells open at 3 o'clock. Service at the Cathedral at 4. Tea at Cowley's Restaurant at 5. All those intending to be present kindly advise not later than Dec. 26th.—A. W. Groves, 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Loughborough District.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Loughborough on Saturday, Dec. 30th. Bells at All Saints' and Bell Foundry will be available for ringing from 3 o'clock. Business: election of officers for the year. All ringers invited to attend.—W. Pervin, Local Hon. Sec., 25, Ratcliffe Road, Loughborough.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The Annual meeting will be held at Doncaster on Saturday, Dec. 30th. The tower will be open early for ringing. A short service will be held at 5 o'clock, at which the President (the Ven. Archdeacon Sandford) will give an address. Tea in the Memorial Hall at 5.30. Will all those who intend being present notify me, without fail, before Dec. 27th?—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—A Meeting will be held at Jarrow, on Saturday, Dec. 30th. Meet at Christ Church, at 2 p.m. Tea will be provided for those who advise the District Sec. (G. S. Taylor, 149, St. Leonard Street, Sunderland) not later than Dec. 28th.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—The number of printed Reports for 1922 will be strictly limited to the number of subscriptions paid for the current year. Members desirous of receiving a copy of that report, are kindly requested to remit their outstanding subscriptions on or before Dec. 30th, 1922, to the General Sec. and Treasurer, Mr. Arthur L. Coleman, High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk. ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM, SOUTH HACKNEY.—Tower will be open for practice every Thursday evening, commencing Jan. 4th, 7.45 to 9.30 p.m. All ringing friends will be welcome.—A. Riley.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Northfleet on Saturday, Jan. 6th, 1923. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 5, conducted by the Rev. W. Hurwood (curate-in-charge). Tea in the Church Schools at cost price per head; business meeting to follow. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Jan. 3rd? All ringers welcome.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The next Quarterly meeting will be at Mansfield on Saturday, Jan. 6th, 1923. Tower open 2 o'clock. There will be a meeting of the sub-committee at 4 o'clock, and of the general committee at 4.15. Tea will be ready at 5 o'clock and will be followed by general meeting. Will those requiring tea kindly advise Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, Church House, Mansfield, by Thursday, Jan. 4th?—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Devizes Branch.—The Annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Devizes, on Saturday, Jan. 6th. Bells—St. John's (8), St. Mary's (6), St. James', Southbroom (6)—available 3 o'clock. Service at St. John's 4.30. Tea in the Parish Room at 5. Business meeting 5.30.—F. Green, Branch Hon. Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly General meeting, Monday, Jan. 8th, 1923, St. Clement Danes, 6.30 p.m. Business meeting at 8.15 p.m. Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; Bishopsgate, Jan. 15th; St. Clement Danes, Jan. 22nd; Sundays, St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).—Annual meeting will be held at St. Martin's Hotel, St. Martin's Lane, City, on Tuesday, Jan. 9th, 1923, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing at St. Martin's, 6 o'clock to 7.15.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Barling, on Saturday, Jan. 13th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short Service at 5 o'clock. Tea at the Cross House at 5.45, provided by the Rector. All those intending to be at the tea please let me know not later than Tuesday, Jan. 9th.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. District Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh, near Maidstone.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Leicester District.—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Belgrave, Leicester, on Tuesday, Jan. 16th. Ringing from 7.30 till 8.45 p.m. Business meeting in Smoke Room, Talbot Inn, 9 p.m. Subscriptions for 1923 become due at this meeting.—H. E. Norman, District Sec., 52, Ivy Road, Leicester.



**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', Hastings, on Saturday, Jan. 6th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m., to be followed by business meeting.—George W. Stokes, Hon. Dis. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—Preliminary Notice.—A dinner will be held at the Flying Horse Hotel, Nottingham, on Jan. 27th, 1923, to honour the memory of William Doubleday Crofts (1737—1809), practically the founder of change ringing in Nottingham. Further particulars later.—Thos. H. Kirkby.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

### PUBLICATIONS.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From MRS. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

### SITUATIONS WANTED.

Ex-C.Q.M.S., R.E. seeks employment as storekeeper, clerical work, or any position of trust. Married, family, aged 38, 6 years' exemplary army service, 10 years' wholesale and retail chemist's storekeeping, good change-ringer and able to instruct.—F. Precey, 2, Upton Lovel, Wilts.

Ex-Service Man requires Situation as Motor or Motor Cycle and Cycle Mechanic. Change-ringer on 6, 8 or 10 bells.—J. R. Bartram, 59, Normans Street, Melton Mowbray.

### DEATH.

**SLATER.**—On Dec. 18th, 1922, at Norton, Arthur, the beloved husband of Florence J. Slater, Cricket Balls Hotel, Saville Street, Sheffield.

### AN APPEAL.

Readers of the 'Ringing World' are earnestly asked for their assistance on behalf of the widow and four children of the late Mr. W. J. Allen, All Saints', Northampton. All contributions will be thankfully received by F. Wilford, 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

### REMEMBRANCE DAY.

**CHEDISTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, for afternoon service, at St. Mary's Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. Peck 1, F. O. Lambert (conductor) 2, A. H. Took 3, T. Crane 4, J. Howard 5, C. Moss 6. Also 180 Grandsire, J. Jolly 6.

**TWYFORD, BEKES.**—A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, rung with the bells half-muffled, after Remembrance Service, in the evening: B. Bradley 1, J. White 2, Miss Osmond (1st quarter inside bell) 3, J. Rance 4, R. Darvill 5, W. J. Fuller 6, F. Wignmore (1st quarter as conductor) 7, W. Bradley 8.

**BARLBOROUGH, DERBYSHIRE.**—On Armistice Day, at the Church of St. James, a dato touch (1,922 changes) was rung in 1 hour 5 minutes, consisting of 482 Killamarsh Treble Bob, 720 Kent and 720 Oxford Treble Bob, rung with the bells half-muffled, in remembrance of those from the village who fell in the great war: \*H. Hibbard 1, R. F. Reece 2, \*P. Morris 3, G. Ashby 4, Wm. Sturman 5, P. Hibbard (conductor) 6 \*Longest length.

**BEESTON, NOTTS.**—On Armistice Day, a half-muffled peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was attempted, but failed after 2 hours' ringing: H. Lewin 1, A. Coppock (conductor) 2, W. Clifford, senr., 3, A. B. Moss 4, J. C. Dicken 5, F. S. Price 6, W. A. Jones 7, P. Price 8.

**WRAGBY.**—On Nov. 11th, for the 4th anniversary of the Armistice, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor, 240 Kent Treble Bob Minor and 120 College Pleasure, with the bells half-muffled: F. Marsden 1, G. Harrison 2, J. Brewin 3, J. Adams 4, F. Atkinson 5, A. Adams (conductor) 6.

**HEENE, SUSSEX.**—With the bells half-muffled, 1,008 Stedman Triples, in 35 mins.: H. Tullet 1, A. Arnell 2, W. Hillman 3, E. H. Lindup 4, J. E. Farmer 5, G. Norris 6, A. W. Grove (conductor) 7, F. Lindup 8.

### THE DEAN OF CANTERBURY.

To celebrate the 86th birthday of Dean Wace, of Canterbury, a touch of 1,289 Stedman Caters was rung in 48 minutes on the Cathedral bells, after evening service on Sunday: W. Andrews 1, J. W. Unwin 2, F. G. Brett 3, P. J. Paine 4, C. W. Brett 5, Rev. F. J. O. Helmore (conductor) 6, H. G. Fairburn 7, A. A. Andrews 8, E. G. Buesden 9, G. G. Jenkins 10.

### NOTICE.

TO THE CLERGY, RINGERS, AND ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Having had over 40 years' experience as Church Bell and Musical Handbell tuner, in succession to my father (Mr. H. W. Haley), I have decided to carry on the handbell business, and, therefore, respectfully beg to solicit your patronage.

I shall be pleased to execute any orders, however small, at reasonable charges, and guarantee satisfaction.

Prices for new bells, repairs, etc., will be furnished on application.

### WILLIAM HALEY.

Author of the 'Bell Hymn Book,' Twelve Popular Hairs, etc., etc.,  
50, CLARENDON ROAD, HOB STREET,  
WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.

### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

*Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.*

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,  
COVENTRY.**



**CHURCH BELLS.**

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

## Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDRIER, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 294 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s. d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..	4
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1 0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1 0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

**JOHN PRITCHARD,**

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,

LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter 2½ in. 2¾ in. 3½ in. 3¾ in. 4 in. 4½ in. 5 in.  
Price ... 22/- 33/- 40/- 48/- 60/- 78/- 98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON,** Church Bell-  
Hangers, TAUNTON.—Bells Hung on the  
most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast,  
New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make.  
Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.

## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).



**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and Jeweller,  
WOKING  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guild-  
ford, and Published by The Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's  
Buildings, London, E.C.

# THE RINGING WORLD

No. 615. Vol. XVII.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29th, 1922.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

## GILLETT & JOHNSTON CROYDON, SURREY.



The Recast Tenor (30 cwt.) at  
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.  
New Ring of Ten opened May 14th, 1921.

**BELLS,  
CARILLONS,  
CLOCKS.**

### A TIME FOR GOOD RESOLUTIONS.

Before the next issue of 'The Ringing World' is in the hands of our readers, 1922 will have been relegated to the past, and we shall have entered upon another year. In the twelve months that are just closing there has been, one feels, some very satisfactory progress in ringing affairs, and the Exercise appears to have got well upon its legs again after the set-back of the war. If peal ringing be any criterion, and it is, at any rate, one of the standards by which we may judge, the art is in a thoroughly healthy state. In the year 1921 a total of 1632 peals was rung, up to our issue of Dec. 22nd last we had recorded approximately 1770 peals rung in 1922, so that while there are still to chronicle the performances of another fortnight, including the always busy period of the Christmas festival, the peal total has already beaten last year's by nearly 150, among which several new methods appear. Moreover, except for the two extraordinary peal ringing years of 1912 and 1913, when 2329 and 2359 peals respectively were rung, the total for 1922 will be the best on record. Peals are an indication of ringers' enthusiasm, and increased peal ringing can be taken as an index of growing keenness in the art. To this extent, at least, the year's results are eminently good.

But what of the future? The signs are encouraging, but progress cannot be maintained without work, and the opportunities which are presented to our ringing organisations are great. There are ideals at which all ought to aim, ideals beyond the gathering in of subscriptions (necessary as these are) and the piling up of peal points. There is, for instance, the scope which is offered in the practical encouragement which can be given to struggling bands; there is the need of using every endeavour to get dilapidated bells restored, and where the opportunity presents itself, of putting in a word for augmentation; there is the all-important work of opening-up towers, where the bells are practically silent, and the sometimes difficult, but nevertheless invaluable work of introducing method-ringing into belfries where at present the ringers are content with call changes. In all these directions there is ample opportunity for a forward movement among the Associations, and the more that can be done in this way the greater will be the service which our art can render to the Church.

We should like to see during the year that is coming real efforts made in the ringing organisations to carry out a campaign which should have for its ultimate object the restoration of all the peals of bells in need of attention; the encouragement and assistance of bands so that in every

(Continued on page 813.)

# BELLS! BELLS! BELLS!

Let the Music of the Bells celebrate Peace.

## Messrs. CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED firm of Bellfounders,

are now prepared to execute orders for all kinds of Bells, singly or in rings. Their foundry is equipped with every modern appliance for the manufacture of Bells of any size, weight or note, all their Bells being moulded and cast on scientific principles; while their knowledge of the 'Chemistry of Metals' enables them to produce that fine quality of Tone so much desired by all lovers of Bell Music.

In their finishing and fitting shops they have installed the most 'up-to-date' Tools and Machinery for the making of Bell Frames and Fittings, so that they are in a position to carry out the complete installation of Peals of Bells for Churches, or Sets of Chimes for Public Clocks, etc.

**SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE RECASTING AND REHANGING OF EXISTING PEALS.**

Orders may be placed now for delivery at a future date to suit the convenience of clients.

**ALL MATERIALS CHEMICALLY AND MECHANICALLY TESTED.**

Catalogue and Book of Testimonials post free on application.

**THE WOODLANDS BELL  
AND BRASS FOUNDRY,  
SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.**

ESTABLISHED 1780.

## JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope  
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B. & S.C. Railway).

Late 185, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

belfry scientific changering shall be customary for the Sunday services, and the building up of a practice whereby one association peal at least should be rung every year in every tower. Anything that is done in this direction at present is largely spasmodic or adventitious. A general plan universally adopted may seem a scheme too large to be shouldered, but a long view and bold action would pay in ringing matters, just as much as in other affairs of life, and now is an appropriate time to make good resolutions.

### TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, CORNHILL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 41 cwt.

THOMAS LANGDON ... .. Treble	HENRY G. MILES ... .. 7
HARRY R. PASMORE ... .. 2	FREDERICK G. NEWMAN ... .. 8
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 3	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. 9
RICHARD T. HIBBERT ... .. 4	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... .. 10
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 5	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ... .. 11
WILLIAM E. GARRARD ... .. 6	WILLIAM HIBBERT ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by H. R. PASMORE.

### TEN BELL PEAL.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(St. STEPHEN'S GUILD.)

On Tuesday, Dec. 19, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN THE MARTYR,

A PEAL OF CLIFTON SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.

EDWIN J. BROWN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. THOMAS ... .. 6
* EDGAR GUISE ... .. 2	WILLIAM KNIGHT ... .. 7
* ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. 3	HENRY PRING ... .. 8
EDWIN J. RIDLER ... .. 4	JOHN A. BURFORD ... .. 9
RICHARD CLARK ... .. 5	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by WILLIAM A. CAVE.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. E. Reeves, J. A. Burford and G. Condict, jun.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

DARLINGTON, DURHAM.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

H. TAYLOR ... .. Treble	W. BROADLEY ... .. 5
A. COATES ... .. 2	A. HUNTER ... .. 6
* W. COOKE ... .. 3	H. BROADLEY ... .. 7
F. W. JOHNSTONE ... .. 4	R. B. ROBINSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. FLEMING. Conducted by R. B. ROBINSON.

\* First peal and elected a member of the association before starting. Rung on the 23rd anniversary of the marriage of A. Coates.

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF ERIN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

GEORGE WHITING ... .. Treble	ERNEST E. LANHAM ... .. 5
GEORGE BENNETT ... .. 2	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... .. 6
GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. LAST ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. 4	WILLIAM LAST ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by W. T. LAST.

First peal in the method by all the band; also the first in the method for the above association.

## LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

FRANK TURNER ... .. Treble	ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. 5
FREDERICK MORTLOCK ... .. 2	STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... .. 6
KEITH WHITTELL ... .. 3	FREDERICK A. POULSON ... .. 7
HARRY D. LISTER ... .. 4	WM. R. JOHN POULSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

This is the first peal in the method by the first four ringers. The ringers of 3rd and 4th hail from Bileston, Suffolk.

## DUBLIN.

## THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At St. Patrick's Cathedral,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt.

WILLIAM GIBSON ... .. Treble	JOHN CHERRY ... .. 5
*THOMAS McMORRIN ... .. 2	GABRIEL LINDOFF ... .. 6
RICHARD LYNCH ... .. 3	GEORGE WILMOT ... .. 7
*WILLIAM WILSON ... .. 4	WILLIAM E. LYNCH ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by G. LINDOFF.

\* First peal.

## HORLEY, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Dec. 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ALFRED J. BULL ... .. Treble	WILLIAM T. BEESON ... .. 5
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 2	HARRY PARKES ... .. 6
FREDERICK W. RICE ... .. 3	ALBERT ELLIS ... .. 7
CHARLES H. KIPPIN ... .. 4	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL. Conducted by O. SIPPETTS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd.

## DRIGHLINGTON, YORKS.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Dec. 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paul,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

CHARLES LAWSON ... .. Treble	SIDNEY BARRON ... .. 5
JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 2	FIRTH HOPWOOD ... .. 6
JOHN PALFRAMAN ... .. 3	FRANCIS BARKER ... .. 7
WILLIAM E. H. ASH ... .. 4	HENRY SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS BARKER.

## LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 18, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Laurence,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

ALLAN R. HICKTON ... .. Treble	CHARLES GEARY ... .. 5
*JOHN ANDREWS ... .. 2	JOSEPH BAILEY ... .. 6
EDWARD C. CHASTY ... .. 3	CECIL J. BAKER ... .. 7
EDWARD C. GOBBY ... .. 4	RICHARD DRAGE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. C. GOBBY.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. E. C. Chasty and J. Harrison, both members of the Long Eaton band.

## LOUGHBOROUGH.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 6½ cwt.

WILLIAM THORLEY ... .. Treble	G. STEDMAN MORRIS ... .. 5
HARRY WHITTLE ... .. 2	WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... .. 6
JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 7
EDWARD WHITEHEAD ... .. 4	WILLIAM SMITH ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN.

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

Specially arranged as a compliment to the ringers of the 5th and 6th on their 15th birthday.

## FARNHAM, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 20½ cwt.

*HENRY PRIOR ... .. Treble	RICHARD HASTED, SEN. ... .. 5
GEORGE UPSHALL ... .. 2	GEORGE TOMSETT ... .. 6
MRS. HAZLEDEN ... .. 3	CHARLES HAZLEDEN ... .. 7
THOMAS UPSHALL ... .. 4	GEORGE PETTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES HAZLEDEN.

\* First peal. The ringers of 3, 6, 7 and tenor hail from Guildford. The rest belong to the local band.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## HOLMER, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(HEREFORD DISTRICT.)

On Tuesday, Dec. 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 120's, 10 different callings. Tenor 11 cwt.

*ALBERT DOWNES ... .. Treble	WILLIAM DOWNES ... .. 3
*EDWIN EVERATT ... .. 2	FRANK DOWNES ... .. 4
HENRY J. TAYLOR ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by H. J. TAYLOR.

\* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell.

## ABBOTS LANGLEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

*HAROLD ROBINS ... .. Treble	*CYRIL C. RIDGEWAY ... .. 4
†LOUIS A. WALKER ... .. 2	REGINALD S. COOK ... .. 5
ALBERT E. WEEDEN ... .. 3	WALTER AYRE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal and first attempt: both are members of the local company. † First peal of Minor and first attempt.

## BUCKLAND, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Dec. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Oxford Bob and two each of Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

GEORGE F. PEARCE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM T. BEESON ... .. 4
ALFRED J. BULL ... .. 2	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 5
HUGH R. THORPE ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

# Bell Ropes

MADE OF BEST ITALIAN HEMP.

## GREAT REDUCTIONS.

Kindly write for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Estab. 1780.

DAVID MAXON, Rope Works, Grantham.

**ALFRED BOWELL,**  
**CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,**  
**IPSWICH.**



## WIDFORD, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.

At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent &amp; Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*WILLIAM WILLIAMS... ..Treble	GEORGE H. BARKER ... .. 4
HENRY WALLACE ... .. 2	NATHAN PATMORE ... .. 5
ERNEST A. OVERALL... .. 3	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE ...Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE.

First peal. First peal on the bells.

## SOOTHORNE, Lincs.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes.

At the Church of St. Germain,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt.

WILLIAM CREASY ... ..Treble	*GEORGE JACKSON ... .. 4
CHARLES CADE ... .. 2	N. ROUND-TURNER ... .. 5
*MISS D. MOTTRAM ... .. 3	SIMON CADE ... ..Tenor

Conducted by S. CADE.

\* First peal. First peal by all in the method.

## NEWCHURCH, LANCs.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BELTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes.

At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, College Single, Plain Bob, Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

*FRANK REYNOLDS ... ..Treble	WILLIAM HAMPSON ... .. 4
GEORGE POWNALL ... .. 2	JOHN GATES ... .. 5
WILLIAM GOULD ... .. 3	JOSEPH LEATHERBARROW ...Tenor

Conducted by J. LEATHERBARROW.

\* First peal. First peal in seven methods by all the band, who belong to the local company.

## BRAMPTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Dec. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

In four methods. Being 10 six-scores each of Stedman, Old Doubles and Bob Doubles, and 12 of Grandsire.

WILLIAM MYALL ... ..Treble	*JACK FORD ... .. 3
*PERCY SELF ... .. 2	*FRANK FORD ... .. 4
JOHN LARTER ... ..Tenor	

Conducted by J. LARTER.

\* First peal.

## MATHON, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Dec. 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes.

At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

CHRIS. BOWERS ... ..Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 4
ARCH. MORRIS ... .. 2	E. WILLIAM TURNER ... .. 5
DAVID HORNE ... .. 3	GEORGE JORDAN ... ..Tenor

Conducted by E. W. TURNER.

The first 720 in each of the first two methods by the ringer of the 2nd. Rung as a compliment to the tenor ringer on his 50th birthday.

WARWICK.—At the Church of St. Mary, on Thursday, Dec. 7th, in 50 minutes, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: F. Ashbourne 1, W. Mabe 2, T. Mabe 3, W. Collett 4, H. Palmer 5, A. J. Hobbs 6, E. H. Adams (conductor) 7, C. Shaw 8. First quarter of Triples by ringers of treble, 5th and tenor.

## THE CONSTRUCTION AND EXTENSION OF BRISTOL.

Below is given the concluding article by Mr. A. York Bramble on the extension of Bristol Surprise; the third article having been printed in our issue of August 25th, page 539.

We have now to deal with the three considerations outlined at the close of our third instalment. First, let us see what is the actual significance of our reference to the 'middle dodging position of the treble.' We have already noted that in any double method there is a vertical division in the change block between the fore and after parts of the work. Now it is clear that when a Treble Bob method is expressed on a number which divides into two 'odd' halves (e.g., Royal—into 5 and 5), this vertical dividing line will pass through a dodging position of the treble (e.g., in Royal, the 5-6 position). Now, in the case of any double Treble Bob method in which the fore or after work does not extend beyond the vertical dividing line (e.g., as is shown to be the case in Bristol), it is obvious that no part of the fore or after work could possibly extend into this mid-dodging position; because, in so dodging, the bells would be crossing and re-crossing the dividing line (even if only by one place). Hence it is that when a double Treble Bob method, expressed on a number which is divisible into two even halves, is extended to any number which divides into two odd halves, there is introduced, into the half change-block of such an extension, a 'section,' the character of which is not found in the original; that is to say, a section in which the treble is dodging in the middle of the 'blocks.' Furthermore, the 'design' of this additional section will be as simple as possible, and will not, of necessity, contain any of the special features of the original method. Indeed, in the case of Royal Double Treble Bob methods the character of this supplementary section is almost constant; because, since the bells in 5-6 are dodging together for four changes, there must be a place made among the others in the second and third changes of this section, in order to avoid a repetition of rows; and since we are treating of double methods; any such place must be made on both sides of this mid-treble-dodge; the usual form of this section thus being:—

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i
b	a	d	e	c	T	g	f	h
a	b	d	e	T	c	g	f	h
b	a	d	e	T	f	g	h	i

Indeed, this form is unavoidable if places are made at the contiguous section-partings. It will now be realised that such arguments as, 'But there were no adjacent places made in the original,' are futile; indeed otherwise it might as well be argued that there should be no mid-treble-dodge in the Royal of a Treble Bob method, because it is not found in the Major! No, in all cases such as above described, this mid-treble-dodge section fulfils the function of a connecting link in the change-block; and that alone.

Let us now take the second consideration—that of noting some of the facts of inter-relationship in the design of the Bristol change-block. We have, of course, already determined the principles of construction of this change-block; but these facts of inter-relationship are the inevitable outcome of the employment of those principles; and they will, therefore, appear in the Bristol method on any number. The following, then, are some of the more important facts which will be observed:—

- The bell taking off the treble at the head of the change-block, will lead when the treble lies behind; and will be taken off lead by the treble, at the end of the change-block.
- This same bell will also be found leading when the treble strikes (a) its first two blows in the after-part of the block on the way up, and (b) its last two blows ditto on the way down.
- The bell which is behind at the lead-head will be turned from behind by the Treble.
- The bell which turns the bell from behind at the lead-head will make the place behind at the lead-end.
- The bell which is being coursed down by the bell-behind-at-the-lead-head always makes the very first (or inner) 'whole-turn' which is to be found in the after-part of the change-block.
- The 'odd' places which occur at the junction of the quarter-blocks are always equidistant from the vertical block-divider.
- In the first half-block these same place-making bells will always be 'odd' bells; while in the last half-block they will always be 'even.' (This applies only to the first change-block of the plain course in any extension.)
- The last row of any half-block in Bristol will show the bells to be in the same order (except for the altered position of the Treble), as that of the first row, of the same half-block.

Now the foregoing facts do not comprise an exhaustive list of the facts of inter-relationship of the essential features of the design of the Bristol change-block; but they will suffice to illustrate the truth that in following out the principles of construction of the method (as determined in the previous section), these relationships will arise inevitably in the correct extensions on any number. So that while they, in themselves, may or may not be sufficient to determine the Bristol



## THE WAY TO SURPRISE RINGING.

### HINTS FROM PRACTICAL CORRESPONDENTS.

#### To the Editor.

Sir,—The Ringing World, in its leading article, has often urged ringers to take up the more advanced methods, but there appear to be difficulties. 'Willing to Learn' has greater difficulties than the average ringer, if no members of the tower can ring a Surprise method. Let us, therefore, for a moment stop to consider what are the particular obstacles which prevent a man, who has a fair knowledge of the easier methods, proceeding straightway to Superlative, Cambridge and London.

Why are so many ringers content to stay at Double Norwich? Is it apathy? Is the jump to Superlative too great? Lack of enthusiasm is doubtless operative in a number of cases, but the troubles of aspirants to Surprise honours seem to range themselves into three groups: (1) Opportunity; (2) ropesight, with which may be classed the course-bell fetish; (3) memorising of the method.

I have been told by those who ought to know that the opportunity of getting a course of Surprise is much greater now than it was twenty years ago. Certainly, a ringer in the Metropolitan area, at least, should find no difficulty on the score of lack of opportunity. It is probably a different story in many rural districts, so that this point is a material one in many cases.

I have never seen 'ropesight' defined (although doubtless it has been). I should call it the ability to tell at any time, without actually counting them, how many ropes have gone up or down. With knowledge of the coursing order a ringer need not be troubled a great deal in Double Norwich by the question of ropesight. The bells come to him regularly enough (I exclude the treble). But not so in Surprise—perhaps that is where he gets fogged.

And yet there are several obvious arguments against this. It is not uncommon to find men who pilot their bells through Stedman Caters, even Cinques with ease, but who would be hopelessly at sea in a Surprise method. The coursing order in Stedman is certainly there, but it is by no means obvious, and it is questionable whether anyone notices it in order to find his way about. Of course, the continuous dodging has a steadying effect, and undoubtedly simplifies the method.

Another case in point is that of the treble in Double Norwich. Where are you, then, without ropesight? The bells certainly appear to come up in a more difficult order than they do on an inside bell in, say, Superlative.

It is when your course bell disappears temporarily that ropesight comes into its own. Young ringers have it drummed into them that they must follow their course bell, and they become accustomed, not only to using it as an aid, but to leaning on it as on a prop, with the result that when the prop is taken away they are hopelessly at sea. We see the effect of this in Major methods, when the tenors are parted, or when a bob at M is called towards the end of a peal, when it has been taken for granted that the 6th was at home until the end. To go a step further, it would probably take quite a fair Cambridge Major band to ring at the first attempt that touch with a bob at each lead.

However, the main difficulty rests, I think, in the ability to memorise the method, and what is equally important, to recall it at will. It is, therefore, necessary to arrive at the simplest and best means of doing so. A Surprise method is, I think, ordinarily mastered by learning, dodge by dodge and place by place, the work of one bell through a plain course. This is not always a simple matter, but is fairly satisfactory provided it doesn't resolve itself into a meaningless abracadabra liable to slip the memory at any moment. We all know the story of the man who went to market muttering, lest he should forget the names of the purchases he intended making: Nutmeg, ginger, cinnamon and maize. And we know, too, the mess he got into. It seems just as easy to say '4th's, 6, 5, 6, 3rd's,' as it is to say '3rd's, 6, 5, 6, 4th's.' Of course, the practised ringer has hints to guide him, but we are not dealing with him at the moment.

Instead of this (or, if you prefer it, in addition), it is always practicable to devise a kind of reasoned formula which is less liable to fail than the other. It is essential, in the first place, to split the plain course up into blocks and memorise them. It then only remains to connect them up, taking care that the connecting link is a true index of the work that is to follow. Take Superlative as an example: there are three blocks:—

1. Work with the treble in front or behind, called 'treble work.'
  2. Place-making in 3-4 or 5-6, called 'odd place first (or last),' as the case may be.
  3. Work before or behind without the treble—'five pull dodge.'
- Having done this, make yourself a few rules, thus:—
- (a) Starting with the work of the 2nd, mentally connect treble always with a single dodge, and vice versa.
  - (b) Employ symmetry. Balance the single dodge in 3-4 up, with the odd place last; or, if you don't dodge going up, odd place first balances the dodge in 3-4 down after the place-making.
  - (c) No single dodge going to or coming from 5-pull dodge.

These suffice for the whole method. Translating them into the work of the 2nd, we get: Treble work, single dodge, odd place last, no single dodge, 5-pull dodge (before and behind), no single dodge, odd place first, single dodge, treble work, and so on.

As a general hint, it may be observed that a bell never dodges with the two bells farthest removed from it in coursing order, except at the dodge immediately before the odd place first, or immediately after the odd place last, when it always does so with one or the other; e.g., in the plain course, the 2nd never dodges with the 7th or tenor except as stated. A glance at the diagram will make this quite clear.

Similar expedients may be adopted with other Surprise methods. For myself, I can say I never attempt to learn a method without some such formula. It may sound complicated, but believe me, it is, if anything, the reverse.

H. P. JAMES.

### ADVANTAGE OF STANDARD SURPRISE METHODS.

Dear Sir,—If the company that 'Willing to Learn' is a member of can ring Stedman and Double Norwich, they should have no difficulty in adding to their list both Cambridge and Superlative. Certainly these are to be preferred, from the point of view, that in most towers where Surprise ringing is the vogue, these methods are among those usually rung, which gives additional opportunities to a young band to get occasional touches when visiting other towers, whereas should they adopt, let us say, Peterborough Surprise, these extra practices would be lost. I doubt if any company are practising the method, even it were so, they are isolated cases only. No, get on with the four standard Surprise methods. When these are accomplished, you will have no need to ask how to ring any Surprise method, they would surely follow if there is still enough ambition left in the company.

Perhaps, the following would help the company in ringing Cambridge. All Cambridge places are Double Norwich places, i.e., far places, and near places connected with a dodge with the treble in between. Now commence ringing Treble Bob, and ring Treble Bob until you strike over the treble, or the treble strikes over you. Should this happen before a dodge, omit that dodge, and the one in the next position also, unless the treble strikes over you in 6-7 for Major, 8-9 Royal, 10-11 Maximus, then omit that dodge, but do one extra dodge behind. Inversely, should you strike over the treble in 7-6 for Major, do an extra dodge behind, and omit the 5-6; but should the treble strike over you, or you over the treble after dodging, then stop and make places. When the set of places are completed carry on with Treble Bob. Now study your diagram.—Yours truly,

CAMBRIDGITTIS.

### CAMBRIDGE BEFORE SUPERLATIVE.

Dear Sir,—I read with much interest the letter from 'Willing to Learn,' also your editorial comments. I quite sympathise with those answers, and proceed to Surprise methods. I have had to travel far and wide in my time to get the same, and by sheer perseverance managed to rub along. Of course, it is most necessary to study the method first, either in written explanation or figures, or both, if possible. (Snowdon's standard methods and Earle Bulwer's Glossary being useful books to possess.) Let each aspirant study the path of a working bell through a course, viz., the 2nd, and also note the corresponding position of the other working bells, and, having got the idea clearly fixed in the mind, proceed to write out a lead or two without looking at books or figures; and after that, not before, go to a tower when possible, to try and put your study into practice (too much time is often wasted in the towers in references which could well be done at home or elsewhere). I should preferably recommend Cambridge to start with rather than Superlative, one of the many reasons being that there are no 'odd' places to bother about in the former as in the latter. Other reasons seem evident, which I might quote by drawing out this epistle to an inordinate length, but I forbear. The writer will be still further interested if this topic is debated by other correspondents.

W. E. PITMAN.

### WHAT WAS DONE AT WORCESTER.

Dear Sir,—I have read with very mixed feelings the letter of 'Willing to Learn.' If he is the leader of the band it is mostly of pity, and it is really a wonder his company have rung the four methods he mentions. I think a band with four methods to their credit should not want to ask such questions as he asked. I would like to ask 'Willing to Learn' if he has ever heard of or seen a book called 'Standard Methods'? If not, I would suggest that he at once sends 2s. 10d. to Mrs. Laura Snowdon, Carlisle, Lancashire, for a copy. In that he will find much that will be helpful up to and including London.

'Willing to Learn' describes his band as an ordinary company. That may be, but they have a most extraordinary opportunity for making progress. O ye gods and little fishes, imagine it! The same band ringing the same bells three times a week, and apparently one method at a time. What need to ask the best Surprise method to

attempt first, the best way of tackling it, and how long before a plain course could be attempted? If they have learnt four methods, surely that should guide them.

When the revival took place in this city, I sent for, I believe, nine copies of 'Standard Methods,' and they have been of the utmost value during our progress.

Perhaps my methods will not appeal to 'Willing to Learn,' but I will give him an outline of the system adopted here, in learning a fresh method. First, get the band supplied with a diagram and a few figures, say a lead. Then thoroughly learn the work, as per diagram, and also, from the figures, learn how the bells work together. Further, learn the coursing order of the bells, then it will be an easy matter to find out how and where each ringer works with his 'before' and 'after' bells. This, I think, has a wonderful linking effect, and is a very valuable help in picking up trips in touches or peals, as it does not matter where a trip occurs there is nearly always someone on the qui vive to pick it up. It also relieves the conductor of much anxiety. To show this plan has been fairly successful here, I will give a brief account of our work and progress during the last two years and nine months. About Easter, 1920, there was a desire to ring the then unring spliced Treble Bob method, which we named Worcester. This we succeeded in doing the following June. This whetted the appetite for more, and Double Norwich was decided upon, and we rang our first peal in the succeeding August, followed by two others in October (this included bringing on two learners from Doubles and Bob Minor). Next the question of a Surprise method was discussed, and Cambridge resolved upon. By the end of 1920 we had so far progressed in this method to have been able to ring into the last few courses of a peal. On Dec. 31st, we lost one two courses from home; on the next day, January, 1921, we lost one three courses away from the finish, due mostly to excitement. But whatever the disappointment, the question was always asked before leaving the tower, 'where can we try again?' and another attempt was usually fixed on the spot. We eventually rang the peal in February, followed by about eight others out of ten attempts. Superlative was next taken up; this proved easily assimilated, and a peal was rung in October, 1921.

I set out in January, 1922, to ring two more Surprise methods, London and Bristol during the year, and but for the call of cricket, and one or two other causes, we should have succeeded. By the commencement of Lent we had rung into the last course of a quarter-peal of London. Lent stopped all practice. After Easter we had virtually to make a fresh start. Owing to the circumstances just mentioned I had to go out into the byways and country districts, not

to bring in the halt and lame, but the energetic and enthusiastic. When I say one had a twenty-miles' cycle journey, another a fourteen miles' journey, and another ten miles to travel, this one often three or four times a week for different causes, it will be understood we did not succeed without effort. We retackled London, and secured the peal after four attempts, on Nov. 11th, followed by another the succeeding week.

This, of course, refers to our eight-bell work only. In addition to that we have, during 1922, learnt and rung the first Surprise Minor peal for our association; also we have learnt and rung the first fourteen method peal for the association, and on ten bells, in addition to Grandsire Caters for the learners, we have, during 1922, learnt and rung Cambridge Surprise Royal (three peals).

Only one circumstance has prevented us from completing the circle in Cambridge Surprise. The city and county of Worcester is unfortunate in having only one peal of twelve bells, and the reputation of these as a cumbersome, badly-going lot, is well known, and quite unsuitable for Maximus ringing.

In regard to our opportunity for practice and Sunday ringing on six bells, we had a weekly practice, and a fortnightly Sunday ring; on eight bells we had a fortnightly practice and Sunday ring; on ten bells we had a monthly practice and a fortnightly Sunday ring. In addition to the above, we have rung Grandsire Triples and Bob Major on handbells, and nearly scored Grandsire Caters. W. P.

#### AN OFFER.

Mr. Gabriel Lindoff, 23. Longford Terrace, Crumlin Road, Dublin, writes offering to send letters and diagrams on Surprise methods to the band, on receipt of a postcard.

#### A HALF-PEAL.

At Blewbury, Berks, a half-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung, for practice, on October 24th, in 1 hour 29 mins.: H. Greenough 1, A. H. Webb 2, F. G. James (conductor) 3, C. E. Gregory 4, W. V. Webb 5, B. Corderoy 6, A. T. Busby 7, R. N. Aldridge 8.

At Warnham, Sussex, on Sunday, Dec. 10th, at St. Margaret's Church, 2,520 Court Bob Triples was rung in 1 hr. 25 mins., by Alb. Charman 1, J. Cook 2, W. Hooker 3, P. Charman 4, J. Branch 5, W. Pettifer 6, Wal. Charman 7, Alf. Charman 8. This was an attempt for a peal, but owing to a false start time would not permit the completion soon enough for evening service. The bells were, therefore, brought round at the half-way. A 504 was afterwards rung for service, with G. Branch at the treble.

## JOHN TAYLOR & Co., LOUGHBOROUGH.

THE  
LEADING BELL FOUNDERS



# MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Bellfounders and  
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD  
LONDON, E.1.**



**ESTIMATES SUBMITTED**

for

**Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.**

**HANDBELLS**

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

**Foundry  
Established  
A.D. 1570  
(12th year  
of reign of  
Elizabeth).**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

A new degree, Master of Architecture (M.Arch.), has just been instituted by the Court of Liverpool University. It may be awarded to any Bachelor of Architecture, of not less than ten years' standing, who has designed some building of outstanding merit. As we are all to have degrees, what sort of a method would one have to build before one could swagger an 'M.Arch.'? asks 'Once a Beginner.'

Twelve-bell ringers visiting Shrewsbury will be welcome at St. Chad's Church. Sunday ringing, 10.15 a.m. and 5.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.

Thirty years ago next Monday, 12,096 Double Norwich Major was rung at Maidenhead in 7 hrs. 10 mins. by the Oxford Diocesan Guild, which four years before, on Dec. 31st, 1888, had set up a new Stedman Caters record, 15,041 at Appleton.

On the last day of 1867, the longest length of Cumberland Exercise Major was rung at Liversedge. This was a peal of 6,720, and has not yet been beaten.

James Barham rang his one hundredth peal on January 1st, 1793, the total age of the band being 582. Barham died on January 4th, 1818, at the age of 93.

The first peal of Kent Treble Bob Major in Lincolnshire was rung at Gainsborough on January 1st, 1848, and the first peal of Halifax Treble Bob, composed by W. Soltenshall, was rung at Huddersfield on January 1st, 1866.

January 2nd, 1909, was the date of the first peal of Double Oxford Bob Royal, which was rung at Wednesbury.

One of the early long lengths of Bob Major was rung on January 4th, 1784. This was a peal of 14,480, at St. Paul's, Oldham, in 8 hrs. 24 mins.

It is gratifying to hear of another peal rung in Ireland. A peal of Grandsire Triples at St. Patrick's Cathedral is recorded this week, and special interest attaches to the peal from the fact that the ringer of the fifth is the son of Lord Justice Cherry, himself a ringer, and one of the bulwarks of the Irish Association.

**To all our Readers  
A Happy and Prosperous  
New Year.**

## CROYDON FOUNDRY'S BIG CONTRACT. FORTY-TWO BELLS FOR AMERICA.

Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, who last year recast the Royal Exchange bells, and this year put in a peal of 23 at Toronto, have been given a contract for a carillon of 42 bells to be hung in the Park Avenue Baptist Church, New York, as a gift from Mr. John D. Rockefeller, in memory of Mrs. Rockefeller.

## DURHAM CATHEDRAL BELLS.

The bells at Durham Cathedral, which Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have restored, have now been rehung, but, it is reported, they will not be rung until May, owing to serious defects discovered in the apex of the arch immediately below the vaulting.

It was discovered that huge stones weighing half a ton each had dropped from their place owing to vibration, and were liable to fall at any moment.

Steps have been taken to secure them, and also to repair the transoms of the lantern tower, which are in a serious condition.

## VICAR WANTS A 'CHRISTIAN' PEAL.

The Rev. T. Rose Price, Vicar of All Saints', Halifax, in a Christmas letter to his parishioners, wants a 'Christian peal' of bells in place of the present cracked ting-tong that is in use at the church. The Vicar is original in his mode of addressing his big parochial family, and also in the wording of his peal. He addresses them as 'My dear people and children, friends, fellow-workers, fellow-worshippers, fellow-parishioners, and fellow-rascals—some 5,000 of you.'

In the course of this letter he says: 'Many of you must have noticed that your church bell is cracked, quite cracked. Even on Sundays it keeps on saying, in tones most mournful and influenzic, "Stay away—stay away—all of you."'

'Each of you, please, supply the dismal, soul-destroying notes. Quite clearly that cracked, kill-joy of a bell must go—and go double quick, musn't it? A Christian peal must take the place of that heathen cackle!'

# PROVING A METHOD.

BY THE REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

a 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 +  
2 1 3 4 5 6 8 7 +  
1 2 3 4 6 8 5 7 -  
2 1 4 3 8 6 7 5 -

b 2 4 1 3 6 8 5 7 +  
4 2 3 1 8 6 7 5 +  
4 2 1 3 6 8 5 7 -  
2 4 3 1 6 5 8 7 +

c 4 2 3 6 5 1 8 7 +  
4 3 2 6 5 1 8 7 +  
3 6 4 2 5 1 8 7 -  
3 6 4 2 5 1 8 7 -

d 6 3 2 4 5 8 1 7 +  
6 2 3 5 4 8 7 1 -  
2 6 5 3 8 4 1 7 -  
2 5 6 8 3 4 7 1 +  
5 8 2 6 3 7 4 1 +  
5 8 2 3 6 7 1 4 +  
8 5 3 2 7 6 4 1 -  
8 3 5 7 2 6 1 4 -

e 3 8 7 5 2 1 6 4 +  
3 7 8 5 1 2 4 6 -  
7 3 5 8 2 1 6 4 -  
7 5 3 8 1 2 4 6 +

f 5 7 3 1 8 2 6 4 +  
7 5 1 3 8 6 2 4 -  
7 5 3 1 6 8 4 2 -  
5 7 1 3 8 6 2 4 -

g 5 1 7 3 6 8 4 2 +  
1 5 3 7 8 6 2 4 +  
5 1 7 3 8 2 6 4 -  
1 5 3 7 2 8 4 6 -  
1 3 5 2 7 4 8 6 -

to the second, while fifth's and eighth's are made in passing from the third to the fourth.

Consequently in a it will be sufficient to prove the rows with the treble at lead, and a like rule applies to c and d, but in b we must prove all the rows.

Now gather your rows together into pairs, with the treble in corresponding places, putting the + above the + and the - and the - thus:-

a	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	1 2 3 4 6 8 5 7	c	4 2 3 6 1 5 7 8	3 4 6 2 1 5 7 8
	1 5 3 7 8 6 2 4	1 5 3 7 2 8 4 6		3 7 8 5 1 2 4 6	7 5 3 8 1 2 4 6
b	2 4 1 3 6 8 5 7	4 2 1 3 6 8 5 7	d	6 3 2 4 5 8 1 7	6 2 3 5 4 8 7 1
	7 5 1 3 8 6 2 4	5 7 1 3 8 6 2 4		5 8 2 3 6 7 1 4	5 2 8 6 3 7 4 1
	4 2 3 1 8 6 7 5	5 7 3 1 8 2 6 4		1 2 8 3 6 5 4 7	
	2 4 3 1 6 5 8 7	7 5 3 1 6 8 4 2		1 2 4 7 6 5 8 3	

Now we are ready to write down the false lead ends. I have filled in one (d) for an example. Start with the row 6 3 2 4 5 8 1 7, say to yourself 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8, and, as you say each figure, write down the number that is immediately below it and you get the false lead end 1 2, 8 3 6 5 4 7, in which the row 6 3 2 4 5 8 1 7 will be found again. Then take the lower row, 5 8 2 3 6 7 1 4, and as you say 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8, write down the numbers that are above them, and you get the other false row, 1 2 4 7 6 5 8 3, and 5 8 2 3 6 7 1 4 will be found again in it.

Here is the table entirely filled in.

a	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	1 2 3 4 6 8 5 7	c	4 2 3 6 1 5 7 8	3 4 6 2 1 5 7 8
	1 5 3 7 8 6 2 4	1 5 3 7 2 8 4 6		3 7 8 5 1 2 4 6	7 5 3 8 1 2 4 6
	1 5 3 7 8 6 2 4	1 5 3 7 4 2 6 8		1 7 8 3 2 5 4 6	1 8 7 5 2 3 4 6
	1 7 3 8 2 6 4 5	1 6 3 5 2 7 4 8		1 5 4 7 6 8 2 3	1 5 6 7 4 8 3 2
b	2 4 1 3 6 8 5 7	4 2 1 3 6 8 5 7	d	6 3 2 4 5 8 1 7	6 2 3 5 4 8 7 1
	7 5 1 3 8 6 2 4	5 7 1 3 8 6 2 4		5 8 2 3 6 7 1 4	5 2 8 6 3 7 4 1
	1 7 3 8 2 0 4 6	1 7 3 5 2 8 4 6		1 2 8 3 6 5 4 7	1 2 8 3 0 5 4 7
	1 5 3 7 4 8 2 6	1 5 3 7 4 8 2 6		1 2 4 7 6 5 8 3	1 2 4 7 6 5 8 3
	4 2 3 1 8 6 7 5	5 7 3 1 8 2 6 4			
	2 4 3 1 6 5 8 7	7 5 3 1 6 8 4 2			
	1 4 3 2 7 5 8 6	1 8 3 2 7 4 5 6			
	1 4 3 2 6 8 5 7	1 4 3 6 7 8 5 2			

We have now found all the leads that are false against the plain course, and there are just sixteen of them when we have struck out the duplicates. We have next to find out the course ends, of those courses that are false with the plain course, and have the tenors together.

First go through the false lead ends and mark all the places in which any two bells that course each other in the plain course occupy the same position as they do in any lead of the plain course, and underline them. In the table above they are indicated with the aid of bolder figures.

Now write down the seven leads of the plain course, leaving room below them for the false rows. I have numbered them for reference:

1	2	3	4
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	1 3 5 2 7 4 8 6	1 5 7 3 8 2 6 4	1 7 8 5 6 3 4 2
1 4 3 2 7 5 8 6	1 8 5 7 3 6 2 4	1 4 6 8 5 7 3 2	1 6 5 4 3 2 7 8
1 7 8 3 2 5 4 6	1 3 2 8 4 7 6 5	1 5 3 6 2 8 4 7	
1 4 3 2 6 8 5 7	1 2 5 3 4 6 7 8		6 5 4 3 2
2 4 5 3 6	2 4 3 6 5	5 3 6 2 4	
6 5 4 3 2	4 6 2 5 3	3 2 5 4 6	
3 6 4 5 2	2 5 3 4 6		
5	6	7	False Course Ends
1 8 6 7 4 5 2 3	1 6 4 8 2 7 3 5	1 4 2 6 3 8 5 7	2 4 5 3 6
1 4 6 2 7 3 8 5	1 8 4 7 3 5 2 6	1 6 2 4 5 3 7 8	2 4 3 6 5
1 3 6 8 2 7 4 5	1 2 7 3 8 5 4 6	1 6 2 8 5 7 3 4	2 5 3 4 6
	1 6 5 4 7 2 8 3	1 4 7 2 8 3 6 5	3 2 5 4 6
2 4 3 6 5	1 5 4 6 3 8 2 7		4 3 5 2 6
2 4 6 5 3		6 2 4 5 3	5 3 2 4 6
	2 6 3 5 4	3 2 5 4 6	3 2 5 4 6
	5 3 6 2 4		
	4 6 2 5 3		
	4 3 5 2 6		

Now take the first row that is marked; it is 1 7 3 5 2 8 4 6 and seven, five, are the bells marked. The tenors are in 7th's and 5th's places in number 2 of the plain course, so transpose this by the scale 1 7 3 5 2 8 4 6, and we get 1 8 5 7 3 6 4 2, which is written down below it, and from which we get the false course end 2 4 3 6 5. Treating all the other marked rows in the same way, you can fill in the whole table as has been done here, and find the thirteen false course ends which belong to this method.

This shows that the method that we have proved is of no practical use, but it serves its purpose as an example, and shows all the dangers that have to be guarded against in working out a proof scale.

## DEDICATION OF BLACKHILL BELLS.

The new peal of eight bells recently hung in the small tower of St. Aidan's Church, Blackhill, Co. Durham, were dedicated by the Bishop of Jarrow (Dr. Quirk), on Thursday, Dec. 7th, and proved in every way satisfactory as regards both hanging and tone. The inscription on the tenor, which is in F sharp and weighs 10½ cwt., runs as follows:-

'To the glory of God, and in memory of her parents, John and Margaret Seymour, her husband, Henry Lee, and her son, John Seymour Lee, all of whom are interred in this adjoining cemetery, this peal of eight bells was presented to Blackhill Parish Church by Annie Lee, A.D. MCMXXII. The peal cast and erected by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, founders, London. Jenkin Jones, M.A., Vicar. Jacob Siddell, John George Brydon, Wardens.'

The service was held in the afternoon, the church being filled to its utmost capacity, and the bells, immediately after the dedication, rang out to a course of Stedman Triples. This was followed by a scholarly and appropriate address by the Bishop. The Vicar conducted the service, and the lessons were read by the Vicar of Consett (the Rev. W. C. S. Fielden), and the Vicar of Medomsley (the Rev. A. H. Barr). The Vicars of Leadgate (the Rev. W. H. Covey) and Castleside (the Rev. J. H. Elphick) also took part in the service, which was led by an augmented choir.

After the service, a short touch of Stedman Triples was rung as the congregation left the church. The annual parish tea and entertainment then took place in the Parochial Hall, and the ringers were invited to attend.

Mr. W. Story, President of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association, on behalf of the Newcastle Cathedral Guild, presented the Vicar of St. Aidan's with the rope, which the Bishop used in the dedication service, as a memento of the occasion.

An attempt for a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major was made, starting at 6 p.m., but after two hours' excellent ringing it came to grief through a combination of 'trips.' The ringers during the day were Messrs. C. L. Routledge (conductor), W. Story, W. H. Barber, G. Pickering, E. Terry, J. E. Keen, R. Richards, and A. F. Hillier, of the Cathedral Guild, Newcastle; W. W. Sinclair, of Consett, and J. W. Parker, of Sunderland.

A young band, now formed into a recognised Guild, is being taught by Mr. W. Sinclair, and is making good progress.

On the Saturday following, December 9th, the bells were thrown upon to the Durham and Newcastle Association, and a goodly number attended from Consett, Tanfield, Chester-le-Street, Winton, Newcastle, Benfieldside, etc. Some excellent ringing was done, several touches of Treble Bob, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, etc., being brought round.

## A BRISTOL SOCIAL.

A social evening was held at St. Thomas' Church Room, Bristol, on Tuesday, December 12th, and was attended by a large number of ringers and their friends. An excellent programme had been arranged, including a small orchestra, who terminated the programme with a few dances.

A collection was made for a Bristol ringer in straitened circumstances, after a long illness, and realised the magnificent sum of £2 19s. 9d.

# GILLETT & JOHNSTON

ESTABLISHED 1844.



ROYAL EXCHANGE, 1921.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921.

## THE CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY

CARISBROOKE, 1921.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

### METHOD CONSTRUCTION.

The following letter to the Editor has, owing to continued pressure upon our space, been unavoidably held over for some weeks. It is a reply to Mr. York Bramble's letter, headed 'Mathematics and a Challenge,' which appeared on page 885.

Sir,—It is perhaps not necessary to answer Mr. Bramble's challenge as to my right to speak as a mathematician. Brighton, perhaps, possesses a free library, where 'Crockford' can be consulted. Here he has the advantage over me, as I have no means of ascertaining his mathematical or other qualifications other than from the pages of 'The Ringing World.'

It is more pleasant to turn to the points of agreement now reached. The sentence beginning 'the linking together of change blocks' is of doubtful meaning; but if it means anything at all it must imply that Plain Bob Minor (to take a simple illustration) is built up of plain hunting courses by means of a 5-block q-set. Obviously the operations by which (say) Double Court is produced must be of a similar character. He prefers to speak of composition rather than construction, though as he uses the building simile himself he may not object to the term used above. Also if he prefers to regard building with bricks as consisting of composition and not construction, that is his affair.

But what is left of his arbitrary conventions with which he started off so gaily and self-confidently? Composition, it is generally agreed, is not arbitrary, being governed strictly by q-sets. And as, ex hypothesi, composition is to start where plain hunting leaves off, it appears that it is in the method called Original that we have to seek for artificial conventions!!

Anyway, we will start now with Original as our basis. We will be bound by no conventions whatever, as indeed we have no right to be when we are dealing with fundamentals. We simply follow where the bells in their relative movement lead us. If a bell strikes more than two blows in one place, if there be no outward symmetry, if repetition occur, is at present not our business.

(a)	(b)
123456	123456
214365	214365
241635	241356
426153	423165
462513	243615
	426351
etc.	462531

(i)

(ii)

(a) Is Original, and the bells left to continue their relative movement will return to rounds at the end of 12 changes. Now examine (b). At the point (i) the regular work is interrupted by '3' making a place. What is to happen subsequently? Let it be observed that eventually we hope to see the bells return to rounds as they did in (a). Now the whole point is this. It is physically impossible after that first place is made at (i) for the bells ever again to return to rounds unless '3' makes the second place at (ii), or performs an operation relative to the other bells exactly equivalent to the making of that place. (It is no wonder that Mr. Bramble, for all his bold talk, does not actually attempt to meet my challenge to produce such method. He would find it as easy to prove two halves of a thing together greater than the whole.) This is a fact of enormous significance, and it seems to me ridiculous that the experts, as they so often do, should treat these two places made by '3' as independent, and having no relationship with one another. It is, perhaps, unnecessary to add that (in accordance with q-set principle) each of the other working bells must in turn perform the same operations as '3' before the bells can return to rounds in a plain course. To put it another way the pair of places are constituent parts of a single operation or shunt, the effect of which is nothing else than to move the 3rd from before to behind the treble in coursing order. The only significance of the dodging which takes place meanwhile by some or other of the bells is in conformity with this operation.

Let it be observed that here is an exactly parallel instance.

(c)	(d)	
123456	123456	Once the first pair of places in 3—4
214365	213465	has been made it is impossible to re-
123456	124356	cover the coursing order, and subse-
214365	214365	quently return to rounds unless the
241635	241635	second pair of places on the same bells
		(or the exact equivalent) be made.

Here is a few lines we have the kernel of the whole matter, and it will be well to give Mr. Bramble an opportunity to criticise this before carrying the argument further. Let him point out the cloak of mystery with which he has repeatedly charged me with covering myself, and let him demonstrate where lies the liberty, of which he boasted, to do as he liked, and where are his arbitrary conventions. But I beg his pardon. All this has apparently been abandoned. If he waxes funny and sarcastic we shall know what to expect. It is his pleasanter fashion of following the practice mentioned by Rosalind: 'Very good orators, when they are out, they will spit.' Seriously though, is it not the wise thing to recognise as axiomatic statements something like the following?—

(1) All methods are produced from the principles on which they are based by means of shunts.

(2) A shunt consists of an operation (or operations) which leaves the bells with the exception of the hunt or hunts in the same coursing order as they were in before it began to take effect.—Yours, etc.,

E. S. POWELL.

### WHY NOT A REFERENDUM?

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Mr. Burton's letter in your issue of December 15th suggests some interesting questions. It will, I think, be news to most of us that the 'Norwich, etc.' Association is 'a union of two separate diocesan associations.' Mr. Burton's 'St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association' is something of a mystery, an association of mushroom growth, created apparently for the purpose of being united to Norwich!

I have no 'plan for sorting up ringers into separated diocesan organisations,' and I am quite aware that there are at least three or four diocesan associations, each of which includes two dioceses; but there are special difficulties in the way of doing this in East Anglia. Mr. Burton claims, and justly, for his association a great majority of ringers in the county of Suffolk, but unfortunately for his case all or most of his eggs are in one basket, his majority is in East Suffolk, and Suffolk, as the dual name of the diocese implies, has two very distinct divisions. Our Norwich friends never seem to be able to realise that in Suffolk 'east is east and west is west.' I am not going to say that 'never the twain shall meet,' but for the purpose of a referendum each would require separate treatment; there would have to be a referendum for East Suffolk, and a referendum for West Suffolk, and it rather looks as though East would 'go Norwich,' and West would 'go St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich.'

This consideration will help to make my next point clear. Mr. Burton complains that my letter assumes that the 'Norwich Diocesan Branch' has acted arbitrarily in imposing its will on the members of the 'St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Branch.' Here again we must distinguish between 'St. Edmundsbury' and 'Ipswich.' The 'branch meetings' of the Norwich Association, which Mr. Burton tells us, were held in Suffolk, at which 'decisions have been taken' and 'resolutions passed,' were seemingly all held in the eastern part of the county; certainly none of any importance were held in the neighbourhood of Bury St. Edmunds. It follows that 'the individual ringers' of that town and neighbourhood must be presumed to have no wish to join 'the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan branch of the Norwich, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association.' Is it fair, then, that the name of their district should be brought into the title? According to Mr. Burton, 'membership of any association rests entirely on a voluntary basis'; there is certainly no 'voluntary basis' for the title of St. Edmundsbury thus used, and the action of Norwich in including it must be held to be arbitrary and unjustifiable.

Another difficulty in Mr. Burton's case is the term 'diocesan.' This word implies that the organisation so called has the sanction of the Bishop, who is the administrative head of the diocese as such. Now it so happens that the Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, doubtless with the very best intention of giving to his ringers that countenance and help which we are so frequently reminded that the clergy ought to give, has taken a hand in forming an association for his own diocese under the title of 'The St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association.' It is, of course, open to any ringers in the diocese to form or belong to other ringing associations, but what is to be thought of ringers who deliberately run an 'opposition show' and call it by the same title as the Bishop has already given to the diocesan association—the word 'diocesan' included? Surely this is not what might be expected of loyal Churchmen anxious to obtain recognition for their diocese. It appears, on the contrary, to be 'asking for trouble.'

Long Stanton.

H. B. WOOLLEY.

### 5,088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE.

By J. MARTIN.

23456	B	M	W	H	43526	B	M	W	H
52436	—	—	—	—	65324	—	—	—	—
64235	—	—	—	—	36524	—	—	—	—
26435	—	—	—	—	53624	—	—	—	—
26354	—	—	—	—	46325	—	—	—	—
32654	—	—	—	—	34625	—	—	—	—
63254	—	—	—	—	34256	—	—	—	—
25634	—	—	—	—	25346	—	—	—	—
62534	—	—	—	—	32546	—	—	—	—
56234	—	—	—	—	53246	—	—	—	—
42635	—	—	—	—	45236	—	—	—	—
42356	—	—	—	—	23456	—	—	—	—
35426	—	—	—	—					
43526	—	—	—	—					

First rung at Widnes, November 18th, 1912.



# Sunday Service Ringers' Page.

**NORTHAMPTON.**—At the Church of All Saints, for evening service, on Nov. 12th, 630 Grandsire Triples: W. Farey, junr., 1, A. Robinson 2, A. P. Hensman 3, J. Dean 4, H. Rainbow 5, H. Blundell 6, W. Farey (conductor) 7, L. Farey 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late W. J. Allen, a most faithful member of All Saints' belfry.

**CHARING, KENT.**—On Sunday morning, Nov. 12th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 43 mins.: W. Henniker 1, W. Good 2, G. Young 3, F. Hodges 4, F. Good (conductor) 5, J. Colbreay 6, G. Youngs hail from Boughton Aluph, and F. Hodges from Kingsnorth.

**OTTERY ST. MARY, DEVON.**—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, for evening service, 1,250 Grandsire Triples: W. Burrows 1, K. Godfrey 2, J. Hine 3, F. H. Stuckey (conductor) 4, J. H. Godfrey 5, G. Burrows 6, E. Marks 7, J. Loverin 8. Rung to commemorate the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice.

**WESTON, BATH.**—At All Saints' Church, a memorial evening service was held for those of the parish who gave their lives in the great war. The ringers rang, after service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 45 mins., with the bells half-muffled: G. Brewer 1, W. Crocker 2, J. Lye, senr., 3, J. Lye 4, R. Cousins (conductor) 5, E. Blackmore 6.

**DALTON-IN-FURNESS.**—Lancashire Association.—On Sunday, Nov. 19th, for evening service, at the Parish Church, 720 Plain Bob Minor: T. Coulthurst 1, T. Watson 2, W. Forshaw 3, Miss E. M. Stuart (first 720 as conductor) 4, W. Dennison 5, T. Metcalfe 6, J. Burrows 8 (covering).

**CLARE, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, Nov. 19th, for evening service, 1,152 Kent Treble Bob Major: W. Underwood (conductor) 1, H. Perkins 2, A. Ives 3, B. W. Pettitt 4, A. Maxim 5, A. Catterwell 6, T. Slater 7, G. Moore 8. Also 1,008 Bob Major: W. Underwood (conductor) 1, H. Perkins 2, A. Maxim 3, A. Catterwell 4, B. W. Pettitt 5, D. Gridley 6, G. Moore 7, T. Slater 8.

**PETERBOROUGH.**—For morning service, on Nov. 19th, at St. John's Church, 1,168 Kent Treble Bob Major: V. Butler 1, W. M. Cross 2, S. Wright 3, J. Carman 4, W. G. Cross 5, T. Vaughan 6, F. Cooke 7, C. T. P. Brice (Pulham St. Mary's), conductor, 8.—For evensong, 1,168 Kent Treble Bob Major.

**MITCHAM SURREY.**—At SS. Peter and Paul, on Sunday, Nov. 19th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 42 mins.: Mrs. F. I. Hairs 1, J. D. Drewett 2, J. A. Lambert 3, W. H. Joiner 4, A. J. Trappitt 5, A. Calver 6, C. W. R. Grimwood (conductor) 7, J. Hurrell 8.

**MALDON, ESSEX.**—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday, Nov. 19th, for evening service, 1,260 changes of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: A. Mansfield 1, F. Chalk 2, W. H. Chalk 3, W. G. Mansfield 4, R. L. Orth 5, J. H. Waldock 6, H. J. Mansfield (conductor) 7, C. Tabor 8. First quarter-peal on the bells, and longest length in the method by all except the ringers of 6th and 7th.

**SHREWSBURY.**—On Sunday, Nov. 19th, at St. Chad's Church, for evening service, 440 Grandsire Cinques: E. H. C. Hickox 1, J. Griffiths 2, G. Byolin 3, J. E. Lilley 4, W. B. Kynaston 5, R. Pole 6, G. Jones 7, A. Short 8, T. Pritchard 9, W. Fairhead 10, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 11, D. J. Boucher 12.

**BARKING, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, Nov. 19th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Superlative Surprise Major (1,280 changes), in 48 mins.: W. G. Jackson 1, H. E. Parker 2, G. L. Joyce (first in the method) 3, E. Andrews 4, R. Fenn 5, A. C. Hardy 6, G. W. Faulkner 7, C. Fenn (conductor) 8.

**CROSTHWAITHE, KESWICK.**—On Sunday, Nov. 19th, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Miss C. Grisdale 1, F. Grisdale 2, Miss L. Selford 3, T. Wilson 4, T. Hartley 5, T. Hogarth 6, W. Hogg 7 (covering). Also 336 Bob Major: T. Hartley 1, Miss L. Selford 2, Miss C. Grisdale 3, D. Usher 4, T. Wilson 5, W. Hogg 6, F. Grisdale 7, T. Hogarth (conductor) 8. First touch of Bob Major for ringers of 2, 3, 4, 6.

**LONDON.**—At St. John's, Wilton Road, on Sunday, Nov. 19th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: C. Harder 1, E. C. Phillips 2, G. Channer 3, T. Channer 4, Chailis F. Winney (conductor) 5, J. Thimblethorpe 6, H. Langdon 7, G. E. Pain (first quarter) 8.

**STAPLEHURST, KENT.**—On Sunday, Nov. 19th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), taken from Holt's Original: B. Turk 1, F. Pope 2, J. Smith 3, T. E. Sone 4, H. Head 5, J. Head (conductor) 6, B. Baker 7, T. Smith 8.

**WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.**—On Sunday, Nov. 19th, at the Church of St. Mary, after evensong, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,263 changes), in 52 mins.: R. Maynard, junr. (conductor), 1, J. H. Wilkins 2, G. Newman 3, H. A. Barnett 4, H. T. Scarlett 5, J. C. Adams 6, H. F. Hull 7, G. R. Lucas, senr., 8, R. Maynard, senr., 9, W. H. Freeman 10. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. H. Freeman. Mr. Barnett hails from Tottenham.

**CHATHAM.**—At St. Mary-the-Virgin, on Nov. 12th, at the unveiling of war memorial in the church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung with bells half-muffled: C. Norris 1, F. Richardson 2, E. Pope 3, S. Shellock 4, J. Bennett 5, F. Belsey (conductor) 6, H. Springate 7, G. Lawrence 8. Also on Sunday evening, Nov. 19th, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich: T. Hill 1, H. Springate 2, F. Belsey 3, J. Bennett 4, H. Hogarth 5, S. Shellock 6, F. Richardson (conductor) 7, C. Norris 8. This was the first quarter-peal of Double Norwich by the local band.

**BATH.**—At St. Saviour's Church, on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 12th, for a united Armistice service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) was rung in 45 mins. by members of the Bath and Wells Association: J. Hallett 1, J. Taylor 2, J. W. Bell 3, G. James 4, F. C. Rich 5, T. Grant 6, C. W. Bell (conductor) 7, H. W. Mills 8.

**BUCKLEY, FLINTS.**—At St. Matthew's Church, before evening service, on Sunday, Nov. 12th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins., with bells half-muffled: A. H. Jones 1, G. Lewis (first quarter-peal) 2, E. Shene 3, E. Usher 4, C. H. Jones 5, J. T. Hopwood 6, E. Messham (conductor) 7, Wm. Bellis 8. Rung as a token of respect to the fallen.

**LOWESTOFT.**—On Sunday, November 12th, at the Parish Church, 720 Bob Minor: R. T. Woodley 1, R. Collins 2, R. Coates 3, J. Whaling 4, A. Coleman 5, A. J. Friend (conductor) 6. Rung for evening service on the back six, with 1st and 2nd leading.

**TRYNHAM.**—On Sunday, November 12th, 720 each of Oxford Bob, Plain Bob and College Single were rung, the following taking part: V. Page, G. Tumber, E. W. Tumber, W. Laker, E. Hodges, W. Nye and E. Gambell. Rung for memorial service, with the bells half-muffled.

**WEST HAM, ESSEX.**—On Sunday morning, Nov. 12th, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 48 mins. (tenor 28 cwt.): C. Scambler 1, J. Scholes 2, E. Pye 3, F. Newman 4, S. Moule 5, A. Haynes 6, A. Pye (cond.) 7, G. Hayden 8.

**LINCOLN.**—On Sunday, Nov. 12th, at the Cathedral, for morning service, 672 Cambridge Surprise Major: G. Chester 1, C. McGuinness 2, J. Walden 3, T. Pyle 4, H. Chester 5, S. J. Wolfe 6, J. A. Freeman (conductor) 7, C. W. P. Clifton 8. First touch in the method by all except the ringer of the treble.

**BATH, SOMERSET.**—For morning service, Nov. 26th, at St. Michael's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), taken from Thurstans', in 43 minutes: C. Densley 1, Miss N. G. Williams (late of Hillington) 2, G. Temple 3, T. Grant 4, G. Harding 5, H. W. Brown 6, R. J. Cousins (conductor) 7, H. Davis 8.

**WEST EALING.**—At St. Stephen's Church, on Nov. 26th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: A. R. Macdonald 1, H. Belcher 2, F. S. Palmer, junr. (first quarter on an inside bell) 3, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 4, C. Edwards 5, E. J. Walsom 6, E. Harriss 7, T. S. Palmer 8.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday, Nov. 26th, for evening service, at St. Alphege, Greenwich, 1,260 Stedman Caters: T. H. Taffender (conductor) 1, T. W. Taffender, junr., 2, J. Carter 3, J. G. Shade 4, G. W. Harris (first quarter-peal of Stedman Caters) 5, J. J. Lamb 6, H. Hoskins 7, J. Gammon 8, W. Berry 9, J. S. Hawkins 10.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on Sunday, Nov. 26th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. W. Pannett 1, E. J. Pannett 2, J. Hurrell 3, H. J. Norgate 4, J. Crowder 5, E. B. Crowder 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, A. F. Bennington 8.

**WEST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.**—On Nov. 26th, for evening service, at St. George's Church, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: W. Weaver 1, T. Adams 2, G. Warnett (first 720) 3, V. Goacher 4, H. Turrell 5, W. Denman, junr. (conductor), 6.—On Nov. 11th, 720 in the same method was rung, the first by V. Goacher.

**SHIPLEY, SUSSEX.**—For morning service, on Nov. 26th, 240 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob. The ringers taking part were T. Adams, A. Feist, W. Denman, junr., J. Bowell, R. Bowell and A. Cripps.

**EXETER.**—On Nov. 26th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters, at St. Sidwell's Church: E. Shepherd (conductor) 1, W. Howe 2, W. Drake 3, C. Carter 4, T. G. Bartlett 5, E. Sargent 6, J. Moss 7, F. Murphy 8, W. Richardson 9, J. Harris 10.

**LONDON.**—On Sunday evening, Nov. 26th, at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (Parker's 12-part), in 44 mins.: Sergt. F. Porter 1, P. C. G. Schleuter 2, W. P. Evans 3, P. C. E. Brett 4, P. C. G. Shipp 5, Sergt. W. Bottrill (conductor) 6, Ex-P. C. G. Charge 7, G. Clifford 8. First quarter-peal by 1st, 2nd and tenor.

**EGREMONT, CUMBERLAND.**—On Sunday, Oct. 8th, for morning service, 560 Bob Major. In the afternoon, with the bells fully muffled, for the opening of the town war memorial, 560 Bob Major: Ben Douglas 1, Benson Douglas 2, J. J. Spedding 3, J. Spedding, senr., 4, W. Douglas 5, J. Rothery 6, W. Cook 7, G. W. Temboay (conductor) 8.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## SUCCESSFUL SOCIAL OF THE PRESTON BRANCH.

The second annual social of the Preston Branch of the Lancashire Association was held in the Institute adjoining the Parish Church of St. Lawrence, Chorley—the town which saw the formation of the organisation—on December 9th, and, by its success, established the fact that in the future, this ceremony will form one of the features of the year's programme.

During the afternoon the towers of both the Parish and the Roman Catholic Churches were open for ringing, and though the bells of the latter place are getting out of order for want of use, full advantage was taken of the opportunities thus offered. Ringers and their friends had assembled from Brindle, Eccleston, Leyland, Penwortham, Preston, Samlesbury, Standish, Walton-le-Dale and Whittle-le-Woods, and, in addition, the branch was honoured by the presence of the vice-president (Mr. Potter) from Bolton. In consequence of so large an assembly, the methods rung covered a fairly wide range, and touches of Minor Methods, Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative were rung.

At tea, which began the social side of the evening, about 150 persons sat down and all were loud in praise, not merely of the scale on which it was provided, but of the admirable manner in which it was organised. Afterwards, a short whist drive was held, and then came the feature of the evening—a presentation to the retiring branch secretary (Mr. E. R. Martin), in token of the appreciation with which his colleagues have regarded his work since 1909. This took the form of a ringers' pendant as a personal gift to Mr. Martin, and of cutlery as a joint gift to himself and Mrs. Martin. The presentation was made by the vice-president, who spoke not merely to the work of Mr. Martin as branch secretary, but of his personal qualities as a ringer and a friend.

Mr. Martin, in thanking his colleagues, expressed surprise at receiving the gift, which he said had been kept a secret from him (naturally, he had been called into the hunt to keep him out of the way), and assured the meeting that, though he no longer acted in an official capacity, his energies and services were still at the disposal of his fellow ringers.

The Rector of Chorley (the Rev. Dr. Kirkby) was then unanimously elected an honorary member of the association, on the proposition of the vice-president, seconded by Mr. Martin.

The ceremonial portion of the proceedings having been thus completed, the party turned to the enjoyment of the concert which had been carefully arranged for them. It would be invidious to make distinctions, but probably everyone will agree with the writer in saying that the performances of Mr. and Miss Booth on handbells 'topped the bill.' Dances were interspersed between the various items on the programme, and the dancers, if warm, were merry.

Finally came the cry of 'this is all'—but with the reservation—'till next year,' when it is hoped to repeat such a great success.

The thanks of the whole branch are offered to the Chorley ringers and their friends, who so carefully, so considerably and so successfully catered for the needs of all. Just a final word, in challenge to the other branches, 'If you can run so good an affair—well, we'll come and join you.'

## DORSET MEN'S FIRST QUARTER PEAL OF STEDMAN.

At Swanage, on December 13th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 50 mins., was rung by \*C. Turner 1, R. S. Bastable (conductor) 2, \*C. H. Tomes 3, G. F. Haysom 4, †A. J. Haysom 5, W. G. Bishop 6, G. J. Williams 7, \*A. Williams 8. Longest touch of Stedman by all the band, and first quarter-peal in the method by a local band, all being regular Sunday ringers. Longest touch as conductor. \* Longest touch. † Longest touch on an inside bell. This is believed to be the first quarter-peal of Stedman in Dorset rung by Dorset men.

## A DATE TOUCH FOR THE NEW YEAR.

1,923 STEDMAN CATERS, by W. WALMSLEY, MACCLESFIELD.

231458 4 5 8 15 18

\* 231456879

361452 — — 3  
162453 — — 3  
264153 — — 2  
263154 — — 8  
364152 — — 3  
416532 — — —  
612345 — — —  
214366 — — 3

Round next change.

\* Produced by S at 2, followed by 12 successive bobs.

## MR. H. W. WILDE'S 200 PEALS.

The peal of Cambridge Surprise Major, rung at Eccleston on November 17th, was Mr. H. W. Wilde's 200th, and the list is interesting from the variety of methods it contains.

	Rung.	Conducted.
Doubles: In three methods	1	
Minor: In two methods	4	2
In three methods	1	
In four methods	9	1
In five methods	1	1
In seven methods	6	
In ten methods (7,200)	1	
Triples: Plain Bob	1	1
Grandsire	25	11
Double Grandsire	1	1
Union	2	1
Oxford Bob	4	2
Double Oxford Bob	2	1
St. Clement's	1	
Stedman	13	
Major: Plain Bob	19	1
Double Bob	1	
Little Bob	2	1
Canterbury Pleasure	1	1
St. Clement's Bob	1	1
Oxford Bob	1	
Double Oxford Bob	3	1
Double Norwich	20	3
Outfield	3	1
Kent Treble Bob	37	1
Oxford Treble Bob	2	
Kent and Oxford T.B. (spliced)	2	1
Albion Treble Bob	2	
Little Albion Treble Bob	2	1
Superlative Surprise Major	13	1
Cambridge Surprise Major	4	1
Caters: Grandsire	1	
Stedman	2	
Royal: Plain Bob	1	
Double Norwich	1	
Kent Treble Bob	3	
Little Albion T.B.	1	1
Cinques: Grandsire	1	
Stedman	2	
Maximus: Plain Bob	1	
Kent Treble Bob	2	
Total	200	36

Rung in 61 towers, in 9 counties, with 315 ringers.

## MR. GEORGE H. CROSS'S 200 PEALS.

	Tower Bells.		Handbells.	
	Rung.	Conducted.	Rung.	Conducted.
Minor, 1 Method	1	1		
Minor, 3 Methods	1	1		
Grandsire Triples	4			
Stedman Triples	10	4		
Stedman Caters	3	3	1	
Stedman Cinques	2	1		
Bob Major	15	8	20	19
Bob Royal	2	2	2	2
Oxford Treble Bob Major	28	19*	1	1
Oxford Treble Bob Royal	1			
Kent Treble Bob Major	25	17	2	2
Kent Treble Bob Royal	7	5		
Kent Treble Bob Maximus	2	1		
Double Norwich C.B. Major	61	42†		
St. Clement's Bob Major	1			
Double Oxford Bob Major	3	3		
Superlative Surprise Major	5	1		
Cambridge Surprise Major	2			
Cambridge Surprise Royal	1			
Total	174	108	26	24

Total rung 200. Conducted 132. Rung in 42 towers, in 7 counties. † Includes 7136. \* Includes youngest peal band yet to ring a peal of Major.

## PROFITABLE PRACTICE FOLLOWS DISAPPOINTMENT.

On Saturday, November 18th, at Kimbolton Church, Herefordshire, an attempt for a peal of Plain Bob Minor unfortunately came to grief, after 1½ hours' good ringing: W. Jaine 1, P. Lane 2, J. Fox 3, F. Jaine 4, A. Tomkins 5, A. Talbot (conductor) 6. The remainder of the time was profitably spent in practising Oxford Bob and other Minor methods.

## NOTICES.

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, **COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.**

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Bolton, on Saturday, 30th Dec. Bells available 3 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. Meeting 7.30 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Secretary, 204, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Chichester on Saturday, Dec. 30th. Bells open at 3 o'clock. Service at the Cathedral at 4. Tea at Cowley's Restaurant at 5.—A. W. Groves, 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Loughborough District.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Loughborough on Saturday, Dec. 30th. Bells at All Saints' and Bell Foundry will be available for ringing from 3 o'clock. Business: election of officers for the year. All ringers invited to attend.—W. Pervin, Local Hon. Sec., 25, Ratcliffe Road, Loughborough.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Doncaster on Saturday, Dec. 30th. The tower will be open early for ringing. A short service will be held at 5 o'clock, at which the President (the Ven. Archdeacon Sandford) will give an address. Tea in the Memorial Hall at 5.30.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—A Meeting will be held at Jarrow, on Saturday, Dec. 30th. Meet at Christ Church, at 2 p.m. Tea will be provided for those who advise the District Sec. (G. S. Taylor, 149, St. Leonard Street, Sunderland) not later than Dec. 28th.

**NORWICH & ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The number of printed Reports for 1922 *will be strictly limited* to the number of subscriptions paid for the current year. Members desirous of receiving a copy of that report, are kindly requested to remit their outstanding subscriptions on or before Dec. 30th, 1922, to the General Sec. and Treasurer, Mr. Arthur L. Coleman, High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (established 1637).—The subscription of 1/8, which enables members who have not attended 20 times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral, on Jan. 2nd and 30th; St. Magnus, on the 4th and 18th; \* St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 9th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 11th, and \* St. Paul's Cathedral on the 23rd, all at 7.30 p.m. \* Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM, SOUTH HACKNEY.**—Tower will be open for practice every Thursday evening, commencing Jan. 4th, 7.45 to 9.30 p.m. All ringing friends will be welcome.—A. Riley.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Northfleet on Saturday, Jan. 6th, 1923. Bells available at 3 o'clock.

Service at 5, conducted by the Rev. W. Hurwood (curate-in-charge). Tea in the Church Schools at cost price per head; business meeting to follow. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Jan. 3rd? All ringers welcome.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The next Quarterly meeting will be at Mansfield on Saturday, Jan. 6th, 1923. Tower open 2 o'clock. There will be a meeting of the sub-committee at 4 o'clock, and of the general committee at 4.15. Tea will be ready at 5 o'clock and will be followed by general meeting. Will those requiring tea kindly advise Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, Church House, Mansfield, by Thursday, Jan. 4th?—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch. —The Annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Devizes, on Saturday, Jan. 6th. Bells—St. John's (8), St. Mary's (6), St. James', Southbroom (6)—available 3 o'clock. Service at St. John's 4.30. Tea in the Parish Room at 5. Business meeting 5.30.—F. Green, Branch Hon. Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

**SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.**—Saturday, January 6th, at Rotherham, bells available from 3 p.m. Tea in Parish Church Hall, 5 p.m., 1s. 3d. each. Intending visitors are requested to send notice to Mr. Colin Ryder, 16, Godstone Road, Rotherham.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—A Quarterly Meeting will be held at Burton Latimer (8), on Saturday, Jan. 6th, 1923. Usual arrangements. Will those requiring tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, Jan. 2nd?—R. G. Black, Dist. Sec., Geddington, Kettering.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', Hastings, on Saturday, Jan. 6th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m., to be followed by business meeting.—George W. Stokes, Hon. Dis. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly General meeting, Monday, Jan. 8th, 1923, St. Clement Danes, 6.30 p.m. Business meeting at 8.15 p.m. Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; Bishopsgate, Jan. 15th; St. Clement Danes, Jan. 22nd; Sundays, St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Established 1755).—Annual meeting will be held at St. Martin's Hotel, St. Martin's Lane, City, on Tuesday, Jan. 9th, 1923, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing at St. Martin's, 6 o'clock to 7.15.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Barming, on Saturday, Jan. 13th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short Service at 5 o'clock. Tea at the Cross House at 5.45, provided by the Rector. All those intending to be at the tea please let me know not later than Tuesday, Jan. 9th.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. District Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh, near Maidstone.

**BRISTOL UNITED GUILDS.**—**SECOND ANNUAL DINNER** will be held at the Grand Hotel, Broad Street, on Saturday, Jan. 13th, 1923, at 6.30 p.m. The City church bells—12, 10, 8 and 6—will be available

from 2.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Secure tickets early.—Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Belgrave, Leicester, on Tuesday, Jan. 16th. Ringing from 7.30 till 8.45 p.m. Business meeting in Smoke Room, Talbot Inn, 9 p.m. Subscriptions for 1923 become due at this meeting.—H. E. Norman, District Sec., 52, Ivy Road, Leicester.

N.B.F.—D710, D587, A946, B91, B704, B1047, B1003, B252, C121, B471, A179, C372, B470, B522, A991, C232, A951, D899, C286, B399, B623, B719, D676, C759.

**SLATE PEAL TABLETS.**—Free Estimates and Drawings, also photographs of designs, sent on receipt of full particulars of Peals to Jones, Brookside Cottage, Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

**HANDBELL MUSIC.**—For Catalogues apply to Wm. Gordon, 37, Norwood Road, Great Moor, Stockport.

#### SITUATIONS WANTED.

Ex-C.O.M.S., R.E. seeks employment as storekeeper, clerical work, or any position of trust. Married, family, aged 38, 6 years' exemplary army service, 10 years' wholesale and retail chemist's storekeeping, good change-ringer and able to instruct.—F. Precey, 2, Upton Lovel, Wilts.

Ex-Service Man requires Situation as Motor or Motor Cycle and Cycle Mechanic. Change-ringer on 6, 8 or 10 bells.—J. R. Bartram, 59, Normans Street, Melton Mowbray.

#### AN APPEAL.

Readers of the 'Ringing World' are earnestly asked for their assistance on behalf of the widow and four children of the late Mr. W. J. Allen, All Saints', Northampton. All contributions will be thankfully received by F. Wilford, 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

#### LATE NOTICES.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—East End District.—A meeting will be held at Jarrow, to-morrow, Saturday, Dec. 30th. Meeting at Christ Church at 2 p.m. Tea at cost price.—G. S. Taylor, 149, St. Leonard St., Sunderland.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley District.—The annual meeting of this branch for the election of officers for 1923 will be held at Hinckley on Saturday, Jan. 6th. Bells available 4 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Quarterly meeting at Christ Church, West Bromwich, Saturday, Jan. 13th. Bells (12) available at 3 p.m. Service in Church, with address by the Rev. J. Goodacre, Vicar, at 4.45. Tea at 5.30 (for those only who send notice by Jan. 9th) 1/-.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby St., Wolverhampton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Accrington on Saturday, Jan. 13th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South-West District.—A meeting will be held at Chiswick (by permission of the Rev. E. P. Gough, Vicar), on Saturday, Jan. 13th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.30 at a small charge, but kindly let me know by the 10th. Combined practices are again resumed at Heston the first Saturday, and at Isleworth the third Saturday in the month.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

**ROLVENDEN, KENT.**—On Wednesday, Nov. 8th, for the unveiling and dedication of the war memorial, a half-muffled quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: J. Powell (Hawkhurst) 1, Miss R. Thomas (Merham) 2, W. A. Fenfold (Hawkhurst) 3, G. Billenness, conductor (Hawkhurst) 4, W. H. Lambert (Benenden) 5, C. Tribe (Tenterden) 6, E. R. Burgess (Tenterden) 7, W. Butten (Rolvenden) 8.

#### NOTICE.

TO THE CLERGY, RINGERS, AND ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Having had over 40 years' experience as Church Bell and Musical Handbell tuner, in succession to my father (Mr. H. W. Haley), I have decided to carry on the handbell business, and, therefore, respectfully beg to solicit your patronage.

I shall be pleased to execute any orders, however small, at reasonable charges, and guarantee satisfaction.

Prices for new bells, repairs, etc., will be furnished on application.

#### WILLIAM HALEY.

Author of the 'Bell Hymn Book,' Twelve Popular Airs, etc., etc.,

50, CLARENDON ROAD, HOE STREET, WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.

#### YORKSHIRE STONE.

1½", 2", 2½" and 3" Grave Flags, Vault Flags, Covers, etc., and anything useful to a Cemetery in Building Stone material. I can give a price in not less than four ton lots delivered to the nearest Station to your Cemetery, or on truck at this end. Prices on application. A trial solicited.

R. H. RUSHWORTH, QUARRY OWNER,  
HILL TOP, LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## Groombridge & Palmer, CHURCH BELL HANGERS.

Inquiries invited for new or repair work. Satisfaction guaranteed.

6, Vauxhall Road, Skirbeck, Boston, Lincs.



## BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY  
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and  
Number Required, also Weight of  
Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

**JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,**  
COVENTRY.





## CHURCH BELLS.

By Royal Letters Patent.  
Bell Hangers for H.M. Government.  
Buckfast Abbey (Peal of 14).



# W. ACGETT & SONS,

Leading Church Bell Hangers.

Inventors and Patentees of the Self-Adjusting and Self-Lubricating Bearing expressly designed for Church Bells. Over 3,000 of these Bearings in use.

Bell Frames in Iron, Steel and Oak. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

RE-CASTING OLD BROKEN BELLS AND NEW PEALS.  
BELL ROPES AND CHIME APPARATUS SUPPLIED.  
DIALS RESTORED. CLOCKS FIXED.

HANDBELLS.

Church Bell Works, Chagford, Devon.

**JAS. E. GROVES,**  
**CHURCH BELL** 43, Malvern Road,  
**HANGER,** Handsworth,  
Birmingham.

CLAPPER BUFFERS, 7/6 per Bell. Fixed by anyone  
in a few minutes.

## The Jasper Snowden Series.

REVISED PRICES.

ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; sixth ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.

GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.

STANDARD METHODS, 6th Edition, 2s. 10d.

STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., etc.

TREBLE BOB, 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.

PART II.—At present out of print.

DOUBLE NORWICH C. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.

All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

## The Central Council Publications

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:

REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS ... ..	5	
MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION... ..	3	
MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY ... ..	3	
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS ... ..	4	
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL ... ..	6	
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd—Bell Treble—Dominated Methods) ... ..	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob) ... ..	9	
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich) ... ..	1	0

## "The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE  
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

THE SAME EXCELLENT QUALITY AS  
BEFORE THE WAR. SEND YOUR  
ORDERS AND LET US CONVINCE YOU.

Splicing and Repairs

JOHN PRITCHARD,

Price List  
of the  
Sole Maker.

Swan Street,  
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

## UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver  
will make a most appropriate and useful Gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	78/-	88/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

**J. COMBER,** Goldsmith and  
**WOKING** Silversmith,  
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS BADGE.)

**THOMAS DOBLE & SON, Church Bell-Hangers, TAUNTON.**—Bells Hung on the most approved principles. Old Bells Re-cast. New Bells supplied, Ropes of the best make. Ellacombe's Chiming Apparatus fixed.



## THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

## RINGERS' PENDANT

in Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Specially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 88/-, Silver 7/6  
Bronze 3/6 (post free).

**J. COMBER, Goldsmith and Jeweller,**  
TELEPHONE 171 WOKING  
**WOKING**

Printed for the Proprietors by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guildford, and Published by The Bells House Publishing Co., Ltd., Broom's Buildings, London, E.C.